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Route 18 northbound lane closures required tomorrow night as paving project advances in East Brunswick, Middlesex County Closures necessary for watermain installation

(Trenton) – New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) officials today announced that two lanes on Route 18 northbound will be closed tomorrow night in East Brunswick, Middlesex County.

Beginning at 8 p.m. tomorrow, Friday, June 16, until 7 a.m., Saturday, June 17, NJDOT's contractor, Earle Asphalt, is scheduled to close the right and center lanes on Route 18 northbound between Rues Lane and Milltown Road.

The lane closures are necessary for watermain installation. At least one lane of traffic will be maintained overnight. Access to local businesses will be maintained during business hours, and access to side streets will be maintained during construction. If it is necessary to temporarily close a side street or ramp overnight, motorists should follow the signed detour. Motorists are advised to slow down, use caution, and expect delays or plan an alternate route.

This work is part of the \$86.1 million federally-funded Route 18, East Brunswick, Drainage and Pavement Rehabilitation project that will make repairs on approximately four and a half miles of Route 18 in East Brunswick, Middlesex County. Work includes milling and paving, improvements to the drainage systems and storm water basins, utility relocation, installation of new sidewalks and ADA-compliant curb ramps, and upgrading guiderail. Improvements will also be made to various intersections throughout the project limits. The project is expected to be completed in fall 2026.

Variable messaging signs are being utilized to provide advance notification to the motoring public of all traffic pattern changes associated with the work. The precise timing of the work is subject to change due to weather or other factors.

Motorists are encouraged to check NJDOT's traffic information website www.511nj.org for construction updates and real-time travel information and for NJDOT news follow us on Twitter @NewJerseyDOT or on the NJDOT Facebook page.