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## Route 15 lane closures required Sunday night near Berkshire Valley Road intersection in Jefferson Traffic in both directions to be shifted to the right

**(Trenton)** – New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) officials today announced lane closures Sunday night on Route 15 in both directions near the Berkshire Valley intersection in Jefferson, Morris County.

Beginning at 8 p.m. Sunday, October 22 until 5 a.m. Monday, October 23 there will be lane closures on Route 15 in both directions. A single lane will be closed at 8 p.m. with a second lane closed at 10 p.m. before the Berkshire Valley Road interchange. At least one lane will be maintained in each direction overnight. The ramps to and from Berkshire Valley Road will remain open, as well. The closure is necessary to shift traffic to the right to create a work zone on the left side of the roadway for curb and shoulder repair, as well as guiderail replacement. This traffic pattern is expected to remain in place through the end of the year.

The work is part of an \$8 million federally-funded project to enhance safety and improve the operation of the signalized intersection of Route 15 and Berkshire Valley Road in Jefferson Township. Improvements include adding a second left turn lane from Berkshire Valley Road southbound to Route 15 southbound, as well as widening and extending the Route 15 northbound through lane. The traffic signals will be replaced, ADA-compliant sidewalks will be constructed, and upgrades will be made to drainage and guiderail. The project is expected to be complete in spring 2025.

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 <u>www.511nj.org</u> for construction updates and real-time travel information. For NJDOT news follow us on Twitter <u>@NewJerseyDOT</u> and our <u>Facebook page</u>.

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