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## Route 35 Bridge over Perth Amboy Connector to be closed and detoured tonight in Perth Amboy Closures necessary to shift traffic onto newly completed portion of bridge

**(Trenton)** – The Route 35 Bridge over the Perth Amboy Connector will be closed and detoured tonight to shift traffic onto the newly completed southbound side of the bridge in Perth Amboy, Middlesex County.

Beginning at 8 p.m. tonight, Friday, January 26, until 6 a.m. tomorrow, Saturday, January 27, the Route 35 Bridge is scheduled to be closed and detoured in both directions between Fayette Street and New Brunswick Avenue in Perth Amboy. This bridge is located just north of the Route 35 Victory Bridge over the Raritan River and goes over the Perth Amboy Connector/CR 624. The closure is necessary to restripe the roadway and reposition construction barrier in order to shift traffic onto the newly completed southbound side of the bridge.

By 6 a.m. Saturday, January 27, one lane of traffic on Route 35 in each direction will be shifted onto the southbound side of the bridge, and the northbound side of the bridge will be closed for demolition and reconstruction. This configuration is expected to remain in place for approximately one year. One lane will be maintained in each direction throughout construction. The following detour will be in place tonight:

## Route 35 southbound detour:

- Motorists traveling southbound on Route 35 will be directed to turn right onto New Brunswick Avenue/CR 616
- Turn left onto South Florida Grove Road
- Turn left onto Perth Amboy Connector/CR 624
- Turn right onto Hebert Street
- Turn right onto Fayette Street
- Turn left onto Route 35 southbound

## Route 35 northbound detour:

- Motorists traveling northbound on Route 35 will be directed to turn right onto Fayette Street
- Turn left onto CR 624/Perth Amboy Connector
- Stay in the right lane to turn right onto South Florida Grove Road
- Turn right onto New Brunswick Avenue/CR 616
- Turn left onto Route 35 northbound

The \$16 million federally-funded project will replace the bridge, which is in poor condition. Construction will take place in stages with the southbound side of the bridge reconstructed first. Traffic is being shifted to the newly constructed southbound side of the bridge to allow construction of the northbound side. The project will also replace guiderail and fencing. The entire project is expected to be completed in the 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 <a href="www.511nj.org">www.511nj.org</a> for construction updates and real-time travel information. For NJDOT news follow us on X (Twitter) <a href="@@NewJerseyDOT">@NewJerseyDOT</a> and our <a href="Facebook page">Facebook page</a>.

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