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Pennsylvania Avenue alternating traffic next week as Portway, Fish House Road project begins in Kearny Closure necessary for utility work

(Trenton) – Pennsylvania Avenue is scheduled to have one lane closed with alternating traffic next week for the start of the Portway, Fish House Road/Pennsylvania Avenue project in Kearny, Hudson County.

From 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. Monday, April 22, and continuing daily through Friday, April 26 at the same times, one lane on Fish House Road and Pennsylvania Avenue/CR 659 is scheduled to be closed with alternating traffic between the Wittpenn Bridge and Central Avenue. The closure is necessary for utility work.

The \$82.4 million Portway, Fish House Road/ Pennsylvania Avenue (CR 659) project will realign the roadway and reconfigure the intersection of Central Avenue and Pennsylvania Avenue. Currently, Central Avenue in South Kearny and Fish House Road are two lanes in each direction. Pennsylvania Avenue, which connects the two roads, is one lane each direction with a "T" intersection with Central Avenue at a Railroad grade crossing. The project will create a through-curve with two lanes in each direction for the entire length.

Left turns from Central Avenue northbound to Pennsylvania Avenue westbound will be eliminated with traffic using local streets. A new traffic signal will be installed at 3rd Street and Central Avenue. The at-grade railroad crossing will be reconstructed and shifted approximately 50 feet east of the existing location. The road also will be elevated up to three feet, so it is above the 10-year tidal surge elevation. The project is expected to be completed by fall 2028.

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