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## Route 22 westbound traffic shift onto new bridge this weekend as project nears completion in Union Township At least one lane of traffic will be maintained

**(Trenton)** – One lane on Route 22 westbound is scheduled to be closed this weekend to shift traffic onto the newly constructed westbound bridge over Chestnut Street as the bridge replacement project advances in Union Township, Union County.

Beginning at 4 p.m. tomorrow, Saturday, April 27, until 11:59 p.m. Sunday, April 28, one lane on Route 22 westbound on the Bridge over Chestnut Street is scheduled to be closed. The closure is necessary to pave and restripe the roadway, as well as reposition construction barrier in order to implement a traffic shift. At least one lane of traffic will be maintained during construction. If work is completed early, all lanes will reopen sooner. Route 22 eastbound traffic will not be affected.

By 11:59 p.m. Sunday, April 28, Route 22 westbound traffic will be shifted to the left onto the newly constructed Bridge over Chestnut Street. Two lanes of traffic will be maintained. During the final stage of construction, the temporary bridge and diversionary road will be removed, electrical and utility work, and landscaping will be completed.

The \$22.7 million federally funded Route 22 Chestnut Street/CR 626 Bridge replacement project will replace the existing bridge, which is in poor condition. The project is being constructed in stages to minimize impact to traffic. In addition, replacing the Route 22 Chestnut Street/CR 626 Bridge will improve safety by providing standard lane and shoulder widths and improved site distance. The project is expected to be completed by summer 2024.

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="mailto:@NewJerseyDOT">@NewJerseyDOT</a> and our <a href="mailto:Facebook page">Facebook page</a>.

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