

For Immediate Release: May 6, 2024 **Contact:** Jim Barry Elizabeth Rose Galamba 609-963-1975

Route 55 southbound lane closure tonight as pavement preservation project advances in Gloucester County The interchange ramps between Route 55 and Route 322 will be closed

(Trenton) – Route 55 is scheduled to have a single lane closed tonight just before the Bridge over Almonesson Creek (mile post 57.5) until just past the Good Intent Road/CR 534 Overpass (mile post 58) in Deptford, Gloucester County. In addition, the Route 55 and Route 322 interchange ramps are scheduled to be closed and detoured in Harrison Township, Gloucester County. This is a continuation of work that began on Friday, May 3.

Beginning at 9 p.m. today, Monday, May 6 until 5 a.m. tomorrow, Tuesday, May 7, the right lane on Route 55 southbound will be closed between mile posts 57.5 and 58. The lane closure is necessary milling and paving. At least one lane of traffic will be maintained overnight during construction. Motorists are advised to slow down, expect delays and use caution while driving through the work zone.

In addition, from 10 p.m. Monday, May 6 until 4 a.m. Tuesday, May 7, the Route 55 northbound ramp to Route 322 westbound and the Route 322 eastbound ramp to Route 55 northbound are scheduled to be closed and detoured. The closures are necessary for milling and paving. The following detours will be in place tonight:

Route 55 northbound Exit 50B to Route 322 westbound Detour:

- Motorists on Route 55 northbound wishing to take Exit 50B to Route 322 westbound will be directed to continue on Route 55 northbound
- Take Exit 53 to Junction CR 553/Pitman/Wenonah
- Keep right on Glassboro Road/CR 553 westbound to take the ramp to Route 55 southbound/Glassboro
- Take Exit 50B to Route 322 westbound/Richwood/Mullica Hill

Route 322 eastbound to Route 55 northbound Detour:

- Motorists on Route 322 eastbound wishing to take the ramp to Route 55 northbound will be directed to turn right onto Dr. Leo J McCabe Boulevard/CR 641 Spur southbound
- Turn right onto Ellis Street
- Take the ramp to Route 55 northbound/Bellmawr

This work is part of an \$8.2 million federally funded project that will preserve approximately 12 miles of pavement on Route 55 between Whig Lane/CR 619 in Elk Township to Route 42 in Deptford, Gloucester County. This project includes paving most ramps within the project limits, replacing the existing Weigh In Motion system on Route 55 southbound at mile post 57.8, and replacing some drainage inlets and curbs. This project is expected to be completed in 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 <u>www.511nj.org</u> for real-time travel information, and for NJDOT news follow us on X (Twitter) <u>@NewJerseyDOT</u> or on the <u>NJDOT</u> <u>Facebook page</u>.

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