



NJDOT TRAFFIC ADVISORY

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Route 18 to be closed and detoured in each direction tonight in East Brunswick, Middlesex County Closure necessary for drainage installation

(Trenton) – New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) officials today announced that Route 18 is scheduled to be closed and detoured tonight between Tices Lane and Milltown Road as a pavement project advances in East Brunswick, Middlesex County. This is a continuation of work that began last week but was postponed due to weather.

Route 18 northbound Closure

Beginning at 9:30 p.m. tonight, Monday, May 20, until 4:30 a.m. tomorrow, Tuesday, May 21, Route 18 northbound is scheduled to be closed from Milltown Road to Tices Lanes. The closure is necessary for drainage installation. The following detour will be in place:

Route 18 northbound Detour:

- Motorists on Route 18 northbound will be directed to turn right onto Milltown Road
- Turn left onto Old Bridge Turnpike/CR 527
- Turn left onto Tices Lane
- Turn right onto Route 18 northbound

Route 18 southbound Closure

Beginning at 11 p.m. tonight, Monday, May 20, until 6 a.m. tomorrow, Tuesday, May 21, Route 18 southbound is scheduled to be closed from Tices Lane to Milltown Road. The closure is necessary for drainage installation. The following detour will be in place:

Route 18 southbound Detour:

- Motorists on Route 18 southbound will be directed to turn right onto Tices Lane
- Turn left onto Hatz Lane
- Turn left onto Milltown Road
- Turn right onto Route 18 southbound

This work is part of the \$86.1 million federally funded Route 18, East Brunswick, Drainage and Pavement Rehabilitation project that will make repairs on approximately four and a half miles of Route 18 in East Brunswick, Middlesex County. Work includes milling and paving, improvements to the drainage systems and storm water basins, utility relocation, installation of new sidewalks and ADA-compliant curb ramps and upgrading guiderail. Improvements will also be made to various intersections throughout the project limits. The project is expected to be completed in fall 2026.

Variable messaging signs are being utilized to provide advance notification to the motoring public of all traffic pattern changes associated with the work. 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 www.511nj.org for construction updates and real-time travel information and for NJDOT news follow us on X (Twitter) [@NewJerseyDOT](https://twitter.com/NewJerseyDOT) or on the [NJDOT Facebook page](#).

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