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Berkshire Valley Road closed and detoured overnight this week for final paving in Jefferson, Morris County Route 15 overnight lane closures next week for final paving

(Trenton) – New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) officials today announced Berkshire Valley Road will be closed and detoured overnight in both directions this week between Route 15 northbound and southbound as the Berkshire Valley Road Intersection Improvement project completes in Jefferson, Morris County. In addition, Route 15 northbound and southbound will have overnight lane closures next week for paving.

Berkshire Valley Road Detour Wednesday, May 29 through Friday, May 31

Beginning at 8 p.m. tomorrow, Wednesday, May 29 until 6 a.m. Thursday, May 30, and again on Thursday, May 30 and Friday, May 31 at the same time, Berkshire Valley Road will be closed and detoured in both directions between Route 15 northbound and southbound. The Route 15 ramps to and from Berkshire Valley Road will remain open. The closure is necessary for final paving. The following detours will be in place:

Berkshire Valley Road westbound detour:

- Traffic on Berkshire Valley Road westbound wishing to cross Route 15 or take Route
 15 southbound will be directed to turn right onto Route 15 northbound
- Turn left onto Taylor Road
- Turn left onto Route 15 southbound
- Take the ramp onto Berkshire Valley Road westbound

Berkshire Valley Road eastbound detour:

- Traffic on Berkshire Valley Road eastbound wishing to cross Route 15 or take Route 15 northbound will be directed to turn right onto Route 15 southbound
- Stay right to take the Hawk Drive exit
- Stay left to take Hawk Drive southbound
- Turn left onto Route 15 northbound
- Take the ramp onto Berkshire Valley Road eastbound

Route 15 Overnight Lane Closures Next Week

Beginning at 8 p.m. Monday, June 3 until 6 a.m. Tuesday, June 4, and continuing nightly through Friday, June 7 at the same time, Route 15 is scheduled to have a single lane closed between Phipps Road and the Bridge over the Rockaway River for final paving. At 10 p.m. a second lane will be closed. At least one lane will be maintained overnight. Work is expected

to begin on Route 15 northbound for the first few nights and then move to Route 15 southbound.

The work is part of an \$8 million federally funded project to enhance safety and improve the operation of the signalized intersection of Route 15 and Berkshire Valley Road in Jefferson Township. Improvements included adding a second left turn lane from Berkshire Valley Road southbound to Route 15 southbound, as well as widening and extending the Route 15 northbound through lane. The traffic signals were replaced, ADA-compliant sidewalks were constructed, and upgrades were made to drainage and guiderail.

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. For NJDOT news follow us on X (Twitter) @NewJerseybot and our Facebook page.

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