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Pennsylvania Avenue and Fishhouse Road lane closures tonight for traffic shift in South Kearny

Two-way traffic to be maintained on Pennsylvania Avenue

(Trenton) – Pennsylvania Avenue and Fishhouse Road/CR 659 are scheduled to have lane closures tonight to shift traffic as the Portway, Fish House Road/Pennsylvania Avenue project advances in South Kearny, Hudson County. Alternating traffic will be maintained through the work zone.

Beginning at 8 p.m. tonight, Friday, May 31 until 6 a.m. tomorrow, Saturday, June 1, Pennsylvania Avenue/CR 659 and Fishhouse Road are scheduled to have alternating traffic between Central Avenue and Route 7/Wittpenn Bridge. The lane closures are necessary to restripe the road to allow traffic to be shifted to the westbound side of the road and to place construction barrier to create a work zone on the eastbound side the road. Two-way traffic will be maintained on the westbound side of Pennsylvania Avenue with one 11-foot lane in each direction.

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 in 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.

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 real-time travel information, and for NJDOT news follow us on X (Twitter) @NewJerseyDOT or on the NJDOT Facebook page.

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