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Route 70 restored to one lane and full-width shoulder in both directions in Burlington and Ocean Counties Overnight traffic shift necessary to restore traffic lanes

(Trenton) – New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) officials today announced that Route 70 will be restored to a single lane with a full-width shoulder in both directions along a seven mile section of road between Pemberton, Burlington County and Manchester, Ocean County.

Beginning at 4 a.m., tomorrow, Wednesday, December 4, until 12 midnight, and continuing the next morning, Thursday, December 5 at 9 a.m. until 3 p.m., NJDOT's Contractor, A.E. Stone, will shift traffic to create a center work zone allowing for restriping. When the work is finished, Route 70 will have a 12-foot travel lane and an 8-foot shoulder in each direction along the seven-mile stretch of road between North Branch Road and Whiting New Egypt Road/CR539.

The new traffic pattern will widen the Route 70 shoulder in both directions. The paving project will resume in the spring of 2020.

The \$12.2 million improvement project includes a full-depth pavement reclamation and rubblization, milling and paving, guiderail upgrades, construction of ADA compliant curbs and ramps, and drainage improvements on approximately seven miles of roadway, as well as intersection work at Whiting New Egypt Road/CR539.

Variable message signs are being used throughout the project limits to provide advance notification to motorists. NJDOT will provide notification before any lane or ramp closures.

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 Twitter <u>@NJDOT_info</u> and on our <u>Facebook</u> <u>Page</u>.

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