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Route 206 overnight lane closure necessary for traffic shift as the Hillsborough Bypass project advances

Jug handle from Route 206 northbound to Mountain View Road will open Saturday

(Trenton) – New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) officials today announced an overnight lane closure and traffic shift on Route 206 northbound near Mountain View Road in Hillsborough as the Route 206 Bypass project advances.

Beginning at 9:30 p.m. tonight, Friday, January 24, until 7 a.m., Saturday, January 25, NJDOT's contractor, Konkus Corporation, is scheduled to close the northbound lane on Route 206 at Mountain View Road and set up alternating traffic in the southbound lane to prepare for a traffic shift.

By 7 a.m., tomorrow, Saturday, January 25, Route 206 northbound traffic will be shifted to the right onto the newly constructed roadway. The jug handle from Route 206 northbound to Mountain View Road will be opened, and motorists will no longer be able to turn left from Route 206 northbound onto Mountain View Road.

When completed, the Route 206 Hillsborough Bypass will shift through traffic onto a new 3.6-mile section of Route 206 to the east of the existing highway between Mountain View Road and Old Somerville Road, creating opportunities for the development of a town center along the current Route 206 in Hillsborough.

The 1.7-mile center section of the Bypass was built first as part of a \$44 million state-funded contract. It was completed and opened in October 2013. The \$36.6 million state and federally-funded Contract B will construct the remaining portion of the Route 206 Bypass. The project limits are from Mountain View Road to Hillsborough Road on the southern end and from Amwell Road/CR 514 to Old Somerville Road on the northern end. The entire Bypass project is on schedule and is expected to be complete in the fall 2020.

The precise timing of the work is subject to change due to weather or other factors. Motorists are encouraged to check NJDOT's traffic website www.511nj.org for real-time travel information and for NJDOT news follow us on Twitter @NJDOT info and on the NJDOT Facebook page.