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## Route 94 Bridge over Paulins Kill to reopen Saturday in Blairstown, Warren County One lane of traffic in each direction will be restored

**(Trenton)** – New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) officials today announced the reopening of the Route 94 Bridge over Paulins Kill Tributary as the bridge replacement project nears completion in Blairstown, Warren County.

Beginning at 9 a.m., tomorrow, Saturday, February 1, NJDOT's Contractor, Ritacco Construction Inc., is scheduled to restripe the roadway and remove construction barrier to restore southbound traffic onto the newly-reconstructed southbound portion of the bridge. Motorists can expect brief delays during this traffic shift. During this last stage of construction, one lane with alternating traffic has been maintained on the northbound side of the bridge.

By 5 p.m. Saturday, traffic will be restored to the final configuration with one lane in each direction. The previously-posted restriction and detour for trucks wider than 10 feet will be lifted. Minor paving and concrete island work will be completed in the spring.

The \$3.7 million federally-funded Route 94 Bridge over Paulins Kill Tributary project replaced the bridge deck and superstructure, which were in poor condition. It also included substructure modifications to accommodate the improvements. The Paulins Kill Bridge is approximately 161 feet long, and was originally built in 1931.

Variable message signs are being utilized throughout the project limits to provide advance notification to motorists of all traffic pattern changes associated with the bridge project.

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 <a href="www.511nj.org">www.511nj.org</a> for real-time travel information and for NJDOT news follow us on Twitter <a href="www.511nj.org">@NJDOT info</a> or on the <a href="https://www.bloom.night.com/NJDOT facebook page">NJDOT facebook page</a>.