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Hope Road to be closed and detoured for railroad-crossing repairs this week in Eatontown Necessary safety work will require detours

(Trenton) – New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) officials announced today the start of a railroad crossing rehabilitation project that will require a three-day closure and detour of Hope Road starting Wednesday in Eatontown, Monmouth County.

Beginning at 7 a.m., tomorrow, Wednesday, March 18, until 7 p.m., Friday, March 20, Hope Road will be closed and detoured in both directions at the railroad crossing between Pinebrook Road and Tinton Avenue to remove the existing crossing and replace it with a new concrete crossing, as well as new asphalt approaches. Local access from Tinton Avenue will be maintained for residents and businesses. The following detours will be in place:

Hope Road northbound detour:

- Motorists wishing to travel northbound on Hope Road will be directed to turn left onto Pinebrook Road
- Turn right onto Wayside Road
- Turn right onto Tinton Avenue back to Hope Road

Hope Road southbound detour:

- Motorists wishing to travel southbound on Hope Road will be directed to turn right onto Tinton Avenue
- Turn left onto Wayside Road
- Turn left onto Pinebrook Road back to Hope Road

The traffic detours will be coordinated with the local police. If work is completed earlier, the roadway will be reopened accordingly.

In order to provide safer and smoother railroad crossing, the existing crossing will be replaced with new concrete crossings and new asphalt approaches. This federally-funded project is included within NJDOT's railroad grade-crossing safety program which repairs, upgrades, or removes approximately 30 crossings each year, statewide.

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> or on the <u>NJDOT Facebook page</u>.

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