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## Route 3 overnight lane closures this week as Ridge Road and Orient Way Bridges replacement project advances in Rutherford At least one lane of traffic will be maintained in each direction

**(Trenton)** – New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) officials today announced overnight lane closures on Route 3 as the Ridge Road and Orient Way Bridges over Route 3 replacement project advances in Rutherford.

Beginning at 9 p.m. tonight, Tuesday, March 24 until 6 a.m., Wednesday, March 25, and again each night through Friday, March 27, NJDOT's contractor, Carbro Contractors Corp., is scheduled to close two lanes on Route 3 in each direction to install temporary shielding under the Orient Way Bridge in preparation for demolition. At least one lane will be maintained overnight in each direction.

In addition, beginning at 9:30 a.m. tomorrow, Wednesday, March 25, until 2:30 p.m., one lane on the Ridge Road Bridge will be closed.

The federally-funded \$26.7 million project <u>began in February 2018</u> and is replacing both the Ridge Road Bridge and the Orient Way Bridge over Route 3, provide a continuous full-width right shoulder on Route 3 in both directions to help ease congestion, and make improvements to the Polito Avenue and Rutherford Avenue intersection, including traffic signal improvements and ADA compliant sidewalk ramps.

The project is being constructed in five stages and NJDOT is using Accelerated Bridge Construction (ABC) techniques. The entire project is expected to be complete in winter 2020. As the Ridge Road and Orient Way Bridges over Route 3 project advances, NJDOT will provide additional information including ramp or lane closures and detours.

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> and on our <a href="facebook page">Facebook page</a>.