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Old Newark Pompton Turnpike/CR 683 Bridge over Route 202/Route 23 to close overnight as bridge rehabilitation project advances in Wayne

All ramps to and from the bridge will be closed and detoured

(Trenton) – New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) officials today announced the overnight closure of the Old Newark Pompton Turnpike Bridge over Route 202/Route 23 and all ramps to and from the bridge as the rehabilitation project advances in Wayne, Passaic County.

Beginning at 7 p.m. tonight, Friday, May 1 until 8 a.m. tomorrow, Saturday, May 2, NJDOT's contractor, Ritacco Construction, Inc., is scheduled to close the Old Newark Pompton Turnpike/CR 683 Bridge over Route 202/Route 23 as well as all ramps to and from the bridge to install bridge girders. In the event of inclement weather, the shift is scheduled to take place Saturday night. The following signed detours will be in place overnight:

Route 202/Route 23 northbound to Old Pompton Turnpike/CR 683 detour:

- Motorists traveling on Route 202/Route 23 northbound wishing to take the ramp to Old Pompton Turnpike/CR 683 towards Pequannock will be directed to continue on Route 202/Route 23 northbound
- Turn right onto Cedar Place (just past Super Foodtown)
- Turn right onto Fir Place
- Turn right onto Packanack Road
- Turn onto Old Pompton Turnpike/CR 683

Old Newark Pompton Turnpike/CR 683 westbound to Route 202/Route 23 southbound detour:

- Motorists traveling on Old Newark Pompton Turnpike/CR 683 westbound wishing to take the ramp to Route 202/Route 23 southbound will be directed to continue on Old Newark Pompton Turnpike/CR 683 westbound
- Turn right onto Packanack Road
- Turn right onto Route 202/Route 23 southbound

Route 202/Route 23 southbound U-turn to Route 202/Route 23 northbound detour:

- Motorists traveling on Route 202/Route 23 southbound wishing to take the U-turn to Route 202/Route 23 northbound at the Old Newark Pompton Turnpike/CR 683 Bridge over Route 202/Route 23 will be directed to take the ramp to Old Newark Pompton Turnpike/CR 683 towards Pequannock
- Turn right onto Old Newark Pompton Turnpike/CR 683 westbound
- Turn right onto Packanack Road
- Turn left onto Route 202/Route 23 northbound

The \$6.4 million federally-funded Old Newark Pompton Turnpike/CR 683 Bridge over Route 202/Route 23 project includes bridge deck replacement and steel repairs. The project will increase the vertical under clearance of the bridge by 6 inches, and create two 12-foot lanes in each direction and with a three-foot shoulder on both sides. In addition, the new bridge will have a four-foot wide concrete island, as well as a five-foot sidewalk on both sides of the roadway. The project is anticipated to be complete by Spring 2020.

Portable variable message signs are being utilized to provide advance notification to the motoring public of all traffic pattern changes associated with the work. 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 www.511nj.org for real-time travel information and for NJDOT news and updates follow us on the NJDOT Facebook page or on Twitter @NJDOT info.

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