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## Route 1 southbound right lane closure tonight as roadway widening project advances in Mercer County Lane closures is required for project stage change

**(Trenton)** – New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) officials today announced a right lane closure on Route 1 southbound between Nassau Park Boulevard and the Quakerbridge Mall overpass as a roadway widening project advances in Mercer County.

Beginning at 8 p.m. tonight, Monday, June 15, until 7 a.m. tomorrow, Tuesday, June 16, NJDOT's contractor, South State Inc., is scheduled to close the right lane on Route 1 southbound between Nassau Park Boulevard and the Quakerbridge mall overpass. The closure will allow the contractor to install construction barrier to shift traffic and create a work zone to build the concrete median separating express and local lanes. Three lanes of traffic will be maintained overnight.

Following completion of the traffic shift, motorists traveling on Route 1 southbound wishing to access Nassau Park Boulevard, the Mercer Mall, and other businesses will need to use the right lane.

The \$15.8 million project to widen Route 1 southbound between Nassau Park Boulevard in West Windsor and the ramp to I-295 northbound in Lawrence began in the spring 2018. The southbound roadway includes two express lanes and one local lane providing access to businesses along Route 1. The project is widening Route 1 to include a third express lane and will add an auxiliary lane from Nassau Park Boulevard to business before the ramp to I-295 northbound.

Widening Route 1 will improve capacity and safety on the roadway, and improve access to and from the Mercer Mall and other adjacent businesses. Access to all locations will be maintained throughout the project. The project is expected to be completed in the fall 2020. NJDOT will provide more information before any lane closures are scheduled.

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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