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East and West Chestnut Avenue to be closed and detoured for railroad-crossing repairs this week in Vineland Necessary safety work will require detours

(Trenton) – New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) officials today announced the start of a railroad crossing rehabilitation project that will require a three-day closure and detour of East and West Chestnut Avenue in Vineland, Cumberland County.

Beginning at 7 a.m., tomorrow, Tuesday, June 23 until 7 p.m., and continuing daily through Thursday, June 25, East and West Chestnut Avenue is scheduled to be closed and detoured in both directions at the railroad crossing between West Boulevard South and Southeast Boulevard. Construction will remove the existing railroad crossing and replace it with a new concrete crossing, as well as new asphalt approaches for a safer and smoother railroad crossing. Local access will be maintained for residents and businesses. The following detours will be in place:

West Chestnut Avenue eastbound detour

- Motorists traveling eastbound on West Chestnut Avenue will be directed to turn right onto West Boulevard South
- Make a left at the unnamed railroad crossing/U-turn after West Walnut Road
- Turn left onto Southeast Boulevard
- Turn right onto East Chestnut Avenue

East Chestnut Avenue westbound detour

- Motorists traveling westbound on West Chestnut Avenue will be directed to turn right onto Southeast Boulevard
- Turn left at the railroad crossing at East Cherry Street
- Turn left onto West Boulevard South
- Turn right onto West Chestnut Avenue

Traffic detours will be coordinated with the local police. The road will be reopened if work is completed earlier than planned.

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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