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Old Newark Pompton Turnpike/CR 683 Bridge over Route 202/Route 23 traffic shift Monday morning as bridge rehabilitation project advances in Wayne

Traffic will be shifted onto newly-reconstructed portion of bridge

(Trenton) – New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) officials today announced a traffic shift on the Old Newark Pompton Turnpike Bridge over Route 202/Route 23 as a bridge rehabilitation project advances in Wayne, Passaic County.

Beginning at 7 a.m. Monday, July 20, NJDOT's contractor, Ritacco Construction, Inc., is scheduled to close one lane on the Old Newark Pompton Turnpike/CR 683 Bridge over Route 202/Route 23 and set up alternating traffic. This closure will allow the contractor to complete roadway restriping to preparation for a traffic shift.

By 12 p.m. that day, traffic will be shifted onto the newly-reconstructed northern half of the bridge, with one lane in each direction. This will allow the contractor to demolish and reconstruct the southern portion of the bridge.

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 2021.

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 info.