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I-295/Route 130 northbound slowdowns and lane closures Saturday as bridge deck resurfacing project advances in Gloucester County One lane of traffic will be maintained in the shoulder overnight

(Trenton) – New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) officials today announced overnight traffic slowdowns and lane closures on the I-295/Route 130 northbound Bridge over Mantua Creek as the UHPC Overlay pilot project advances in West Deptford, Gloucester County.

Beginning at 8 p.m. tomorrow, Saturday, October 3, New Jersey State Troopers are scheduled to slow traffic on I-295/Route 130 northbound near the bridge over Mantua Creek for approximately 20 minutes. This slowdown will allow NJDOT's Contractor, Agate Construction Co., Inc., to prepare for a traffic shift.

Following the initial slowdown, all three lanes will be closed, and one lane of traffic will be maintained in the left shoulder. At approximately 5 a.m. Sunday, October 4, a second 20-minute slowdown will be required to allow the contractor to install construction barrier.

Following the second and final slowdown, two lanes of traffic will be opened in the left lane and shoulder, and the right and center lanes will remain closed. This closure will allow the contractor to complete work on the right side of the bridge deck. This traffic pattern is anticipated to remain in place for approximately one month.

The South Delaware Street ramp to I-295/Route 130 northbound also will be closed and detoured between 7 p.m. Saturday, October 3 and 6 a.m. Sunday, October 4. The following signed detour will be in place.

South Delaware Street on-ramp to I-295/Route 130 northbound detour:

- Motorists traveling on South Delaware Street wishing to take the ramp to I-295/Route 130 northbound will be directed to continue on South Delaware Street/West Cohawkin Road
- Turn left onto Berkley Road/CR 678
- Turn left onto Kings Highway/CR 551
- Turn left onto Parkville Station Road/CR 656 which becomes Mantua Grove Road
- Turn right onto the ramp to I-295/Route 130 northbound

The state-funded \$1.7 million I-295/Route 130 northbound bridge over Mantua Creek project is part of a pilot program to test the effectiveness of Ultra High Performance Concrete (UHPC) as a bridge deck overlay to increase deck service life, enhance structural capacity, and reduce future maintenance. While UHPC is currently being used for joint repairs and other maintenance, this is the first time UHPC is being used as a bridge deck overlay in New Jersey. The project is anticipated to be complete by December 2020.

Construction signs will provide advance notification to motorists of 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 <u>www.511nj.org</u> for real-time travel information and for NJDOT news follow us on Twitter <u>@NJDOT info</u> and on the <u>NJDOT Facebook page</u>.