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## Route 46 daytime lane closures required this week as Passaic Avenue to Willowbrook Mall project advances

Route 46 in both directions will have single lane closures

**(Trenton)** – New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) officials today announced Route 46 will have daytime lane closures between Passaic Avenue/CR 613 and Pompton Avenue/Route 23 as the Route 46 at Passaic Avenue to Willowbrook Mall project advances between Fairfield, Essex County and Wayne, Passaic County.

Beginning at 8 a.m. tomorrow, Tuesday, October 27, until 3:30 p.m., NJDOT's contractor, Anselmi & DeCicco, Inc., is scheduled to close the Route 46 westbound left lane between Passaic Avenue/CR 613 and Pompton Avenue/Route 23 for guiderail installation.

On Wednesday, October 28, from 7 a.m. until 4 p.m., and continuing daily until Friday, October 30, the Route 46 eastbound left lane between Passaic Avenue/CR 613 and Pompton Avenue/Route 23 will be closed for paving.

One lane of traffic will be maintained in each direction at all times. Access to all businesses and driveways also will be maintained.

The \$40 million federally-funded Route 46 Bridge over the Passaic River to Willowbrook Mall project will replace the existing eastbound bridge and widen Route 46 in both directions from two lanes to three lanes in each direction to enhance safety and ease traffic congestion. Four new overhead sign structures will be built. The project will be completed in three stages with some construction activities being performed at night to reduce the impact to the public. The project is expected to be completed in late 2022.

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 <a href="www.511nj.org">www.511nj.org</a> for real-time travel information and for NJDOT news and updates follow us on the <a href="NJDOT Facebook page">NJDOT Facebook page</a> or on Twitter <a href="www.511nj.org">@NJDOT info</a>.