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Route 495 westbound lanes and ramp to NJ Turnpike closed tonight and tomorrow night

Route 3 eastbound express ramp to Route 495 eastbound also closed

(Trenton) – New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) officials today announced that two lanes on Route 495 westbound and the ramp to the New Jersey Turnpike will be closed and detoured tonight and tomorrow night in North Bergen. In addition, the ramp from the Route 3 eastbound express lanes to Route 495 eastbound will be closed and detoured tonight.

Beginning at 11 p.m. tonight, Friday, April 16 and tomorrow, Saturday, April 17, NJDOT's contractor, IEW Construction Group, is scheduled to close the left two lanes on Route 495 westbound beginning near the pedestrian bridge west of Kennedy Boulevard, and the ramp to the Turnpike. One lane will be maintained with all traffic directed to Route 3 westbound. The closure is necessary for work on guiderail, barrier, and paving. At 6 a.m. on both Saturday and Sunday, one lane on Route 495 and one lane of the ramp to the Turnpike will reopen. All lanes are expected to reopen at 12 noon both days.

In addition, beginning at 10 p.m. tonight, Friday, April 16 until 6 a.m. Saturday, April 17, the ramp from Route 3 eastbound express lanes to Route 495 eastbound will be closed just past the Paterson Plank Road overpass for excavation, barrier work, and paving.

Route 495 westbound ramp to the New Jersey Turnpike detour:

- Motorists on Route 495 westbound will be directed onto Route 3 westbound
- Traffic for the NJ Turnpike southbound can take the Paterson Plank Road westbound exit from the westbound service road to access the NJ Turnpike from Paterson Plank Road.
- However, the best route is to take Route 3 westbound for about 3 miles over the Hackensack River
- Stay right and take the exit for the NJ Turnpike

Route 3 eastbound ramp to Route 495 eastbound

- Motorists on Route 3 eastbound will directed to the Route 3 eastbound service road toward Route 1&9/Jersey City
- Stay right and take the exit to Route 495 eastbound

Variable Message Signs will be used to provide advance notification to motorists. 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>.