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Route 495 westbound ramp to NJ Turnpike closed tonight for pavement work as bridge deck replacement nears completion Route 3 eastbound express ramp to Route 495 eastbound closed Friday night

(Trenton) – New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) officials today announced that the Route 495 westbound ramp to the New Jersey Turnpike will be closed and detoured tonight in North Bergen. In addition, the ramp from the Route 3 eastbound express lanes to Route 495 eastbound will be closed and detoured Friday night, as the bridge deck replacement project nears completion in North Bergen.

Thursday, May 20

Beginning at 11 p.m. tonight, Thursday, May 20 until 5 a.m. Friday, May 21, NJDOT's contractor, IEW Construction Group, is scheduled to close two left lanes on Route 495 westbound and the ramp to the Turnpike with all traffic directed to Route 3 westbound. The closure is necessary for paving work. The following detour will be in place:

Route 495 westbound ramp to the New Jersey Turnpike detour:

- Motorists on Route 495 westbound will be directed onto Route 3 westbound
- Traffic can take the Paterson Plank Road westbound exit from the westbound service road to access the NJ Turnpike.
- 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

Friday, May 21

Beginning at 10 p.m. tomorrow, Friday, May 21 until 7 a.m. Saturday, May 21, two of the three Route 3 eastbound express lanes will be closed near the New Jersey Turnpike overpass before Harmon Meadow Road, and the ramp from Route 3 eastbound express lanes to Route 495 eastbound will be closed just past the Paterson Plank Road overpass for paving work.

In addition, the two left lanes on Route 495 westbound will be closed for paving work. The ramp to the New Jersey Turnpike will remain open and at least one lane of traffic will be maintained. The following detours will be in place Friday night:

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 www.511nj.org for real-time travel information and for NJDOT news follow us on Twitter @NewJerseyDOT and on the NJDOT Facebook page.

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