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Cass Street to be closed for two weeks as railroad-crossing repairs begin Trenton Signed detour will be in place

(Trenton) – New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) officials today announced the start of a railroad crossing rehabilitation project that will require a two-week closure and detour of Cass Street in Trenton, Mercer County.

Beginning at 7 a.m., Friday, May 21, Cass Street will be closed in both directions at the railroad crossing adjacent to Route 129. This will allow NJDOT's contractor to remove the existing railroad crossing and replace it with a new concrete crossing, as well as new asphalt approaches. This closure is expected to last approximately two weeks. The following detours will be in place:

Route 129 northbound to Cass Street eastbound detour:

- Motorists traveling on Route 129 northbound wishing to turn right onto Cass Street eastbound will be directed to continue on Route 129 northbound
- Continue on Route 129 northbound, which becomes Route 1 northbound
- Take the Exit to Perry Street
- Turn right at the end of the ramp onto Perry Street
- Continue on Perry Street, which becomes Lincoln Avenue
- Continue on Lincoln Avenue, which becomes Chambers Street
- Turn right onto Liberty Street
- Turn right onto S. Broad Street/Route 206 back to Cass Street

Route 129 southbound to Cass Street eastbound detour:

- Motorists on Route 129 southbound wishing to turn left onto Cass Street eastbound will be directed to turn right onto Cass Street westbound
- Take the ramp to Route 29 northbound
- Take the Exit to Market Street
- Turn right onto S. Broad Street/Route 206
- Continue on S. Broad Street/Route 206 back to Cass Street

Cass Street eastbound detour:

- Motorists on Cass Street eastbound wishing to cross the railroad tracks will be directed to turn left onto Route 129 northbound
- Continue on Route 129 northbound, which becomes Route 1 northbound
- Take the Exit to Perry Street
- Turn right at the end of the ramp onto Perry Street
- Continue on Perry Street, which becomes Lincoln Avenue
- Continue on Lincoln Avenue, which becomes Chambers Street
- Turn right onto Liberty Street
- Turn right onto S. Broad Street/Route 206 back to Cass Street

S. Broad Street/Route 206 northbound to Cass Street westbound detour:

- Motorists traveling on S. Broad Street/Route 206 northbound wishing to take Cass Street westbound across the railroad tracks will be directed to continue on S. Broad Street/Route 206 northbound
- Turn right onto Hamilton Avenue
- Turn right onto Route 129 southbound
- Turn right onto Cass Street westbound

S. Broad Street/Route 206 southbound to Cass Street westbound detour:

- Motorists traveling on S. Broad Street/Route 206 southbound wishing to take Cass Street westbound across the railroad tracks will be directed to continue on S. Broad Street/Route 206 southbound
- Turn right onto Lalor Street
- Turn right onto Route 129 northbound
- Turn left onto Cass Street westbound

In order to provide safer and smoother railroad crossing, the existing crossing will be replaced with new concrete crossings and new asphalt approaches. This federally-funded project is included within NJDOT's railroad grade-crossing safety program which repairs, upgrades, or removes approximately 50 crossings each year, statewide.

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>@NewJerseyDOT</u> and on the <u>NJDOT</u> <u>Facebook page</u>.

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