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Route 495 westbound ramp to NJ Turnpike closed tonight and Route 3 Express eastbound ramp to Route 495 closed Saturday 31st Street ramp to Route 495/Paterson Plank Road closed overnight

(Trenton) – New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) officials today announced a series of overnight lane and ramp closures on Route 495 over the next few nights for final paving as the bridge deck replacement project nears completion in North Bergen.

Route 495 westbound ramp to the New Jersey Turnpike

Beginning at 10 p.m. tonight, Friday, June 25 until 8 a.m. tomorrow, and again Saturday, June 26 from 10 p.m. until 8 a.m. Sunday, June 27, the two left lanes on Route 495 westbound and the ramp to the New Jersey Turnpike will be closed and detoured with all traffic directed to Route 3 westbound to pave the ramp. 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

Route 3 eastbound ramp to Route 495 eastbound

Beginning at 10 p.m. tomorrow, Saturday, June 26 until 8 a.m. Sunday, June 27, NJDOT's contractor, IEW Construction Group, is scheduled to close the ramp from Route 3 eastbound express lanes to Route 495 eastbound for final paving work. In addition, the three left lanes on Route 495 eastbound will be closed. At least one lane on Route 495 eastbound will be maintained. The following detour will be in place for Route 3 eastbound traffic:

Route 3 eastbound ramp to Route 495 eastbound detour:

- 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

31st Street ramp from Kennedy Boulevard to Paterson Plank Road/Route 1&9 north

The 31st Street ramp from Kennedy Boulevard to Paterson Plank Road/Route 1&9 north will be closed and detoured tonight, Friday, June 25 and tomorrow, Saturday, June 26 from 11 p.m. until 8 a.m. the next day.

On Monday, June 28 the ramp will be closed from 10 p.m. until 5 a.m. Tuesday, along with the two right lanes on Route 495 westbound to pave the 31st Street ramp from Kennedy Boulevard. Access to both the Turnpike and Route 3 will be maintained. In addition, the right lane on Route 495 eastbound will be closed for striping.

The following detour will be in place for the 31st Street ramp on Friday, Saturday and Monday nights:

31st Street ramp from Kennedy Boulevard to Paterson Plank Road/Route 1&9 north detour:

- Traffic wishing to utilize the 31st Street ramp to Paterson Plank Road or Route 1&9 north will be directed to take Kennedy Boulevard to 32nd Street/Bergen Turnpike
- Turn left onto 32nd Street/Bergen Turnpike
- Turn left onto Union Turnpike
- Turn right onto Route 1&9 north or
- Stay straight and Union Turnpike becomes Paterson Plank Road

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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