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Route 31 improvements project begins in Washington, Mansfield, Oxford, and White Townships in Warren County Daytime lane closures required for construction sign installation

(Trenton) – New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) officials today announced the start of a pavement rehabilitation and improvements project requiring daytime shoulder and lane closures on Route 31 in Washington, Mansfield, Oxford, and White Townships in Warren County.

Beginning at 9 a.m. tomorrow, Thursday, July 1 until 3 p.m., and continuing daily, Monday through Friday, NJDOT's Contractor, South State, Inc. is scheduled to close sections of the shoulder on Route 31 in both directions. The closures are part of a moving operation for the contractor to install construction signs between the intersection of South Lincoln Avenue/CR 640 and Hawke Point Boulevard in Washington Township and Route 46 in White Township. At least one lane of traffic will be maintained in both directions at all times.

Following the installation of construction signs, additional shoulder and lane closures may be required in the coming weeks to allow for ADA ramp installation, traffic signal upgrades, minor bridge deck and parapet repairs and drainage repairs.

The project will improve two sections of Route 31 – from approximately South Lincoln Avenue/CR 640 and Hawke Point Boulevard to about Myrtle Avenue in Washington Boro, and from approximately Orams Lane in Oxford to Route 46 in White Township. Work will begin at the northern end of the project in White Township at the intersection of Route 46 and Route 31 and move south. As part of the project three traffic signals will be upgraded or replaced at the following intersections:

- 1) CR 640/S. Lincoln Avenue and Hawke Point Boulevard
- 2) Route 57/Washington Avenue
- 3) Route 46/Route 31

The \$6.2 million improvement project includes milling and paving, guiderail and traffic signal replacements, and construction of ADA compliant curbs and ramps on approximately five miles of Route 31. Milling and paving is expected to begin next year. The project is anticipated to be complete by fall 2022.

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 construction updates and real-time travel information. For NJDOT news, follow us on Twitter @NewJerseyDOT or on the NJDOT Facebook page.