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Route 9 overnight lane closures required as pavement improvements project begins in Ocean County Project includes ADA ramp, pedestrian signals and other safety upgrades

(Trenton) – New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) officials today announced the start of a pavement rehabilitation and improvements project on Route 9 in Lacey, Berkeley, Pine Beach, and Beachwood in Ocean County.

Beginning at 9 p.m. tonight, Wednesday, July 7 until 5:30 a.m. the next day, NJDOT's Contractor, Earle Asphalt, Inc. is scheduled to close one lane on Route 9 and use an alternating traffic pattern at Serpentine Drive.

Tomorrow, Thursday, July 8 from 9 p.m. until 5:30 a.m. the next day, one lane on Route 9 is scheduled to be closed with alternating traffic at Lacey Road. The closures both nights are required to repair damaged pavement.

Beginning Monday, July 12 from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m., daytime shoulder closures will be required Monday through Friday, on Route 9 in both directions between Jones Road in Lacey and Longboat Avenue in Beachwood. The closures are necessary to begin work on ADA ramps, sidewalks, and curb upgrades. Electrical work also will be completed for traffic signal upgrades. The shoulder closures are expected to last approximately three months.

Overnight lane and ramp closures requiring an alternating traffic pattern are expected in the fall. The public will be notified in advance of any closures.

The project will improve more than eight miles of Route 9. Traffic signals will be upgraded or replaced at the following intersections:

- Sunrise Blvd. and Park Place Drive, Lacey
- First Street and Musket Road, Lacey
- Route 9 and Haines St., Lacey
- Route 9 and Laurel Blvd., Lacey
- Route 9 and South Street, Lacey
- Central Parkway and Butler Blvd/CR 618, Berkeley
- Station Road, Berkeley
- Iger Way and Moorage Ave, Berkeley
- Korman Road and Ocean Gate CR 625, Berkeley
- Chain Blvd., Berkeley (entrance to shopping center)
- Sylvan Lake Blvd., Berkeley
- Motor Road and Gladney Ave., Pine Beach
- Mizzen Ave., Berkeley, Pine Beach

The \$9.1 million improvements project includes lighting, construction of ADA compliant curbs and ramps, sidewalks, milling and paving on approximately eight miles of Route 9 between Jones Road, Lacey and Longboat Avenue, Beachwood. 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.

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