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I-78 westbound lane closures required for emergency shoulder and guiderail repair in Bedminster, Somerset County Expect heavy congestion during tonight's evening commute

(Trenton) – New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) officials today announced emergency lane closures on I-78 westbound near the Bridge over North Branch of Raritan River for shoulder and guiderail repair in Bedminster, Somerset County.

Beginning at 12 noon today, Friday, August 27, NJDOT's contractor, Ferreira Construction Co., is scheduled to close the center and right lane on I-78 westbound between mileposts 29.0 and 27.5 near the Bridge over the North Branch of the Raritan River in Bedminster. The closure is necessary to make emergency shoulder and guiderail repairs following damage caused by an overturned truck this morning. At least one lane will be maintained during construction.

Traffic in this area has been shifted to the right to use the shoulder as a travel lane as part of a project to replace the Bridge over the North Branch of the Raritan River. The emergency work is expected to last through the evening commute and complete later tonight.

Motorists should expect heavy congestion during tonight's evening commute.

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 and our Facebook page.