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Route 37 shoulder closures necessary this week as pavement rehabilitation project begins in Ocean County

All lanes of traffic to remain open during shoulder closures

(Trenton) – New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) officials today announced that the shoulder on Route 37 will be closed between Thomas Street and Fischer Boulevard as a pavement rehabilitation project begins this week in Toms River, Ocean County.

On Wednesday, January 12, and Thursday, January 13 from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m., NJDOT's contractor, Earle Asphalt Company., is scheduled to close the shoulder lanes on Route 37 eastbound and westbound for survey work. During the closures, all three travel lanes on Route 37 will remain open in both directions.

The \$9.2 million state-funded project will repair 4 miles of pavement in each direction on Route 37 from Thomas Street to Fischer Boulevard. Route 37 carries three lanes of traffic in each direction. In addition to the pavement repairs, improvements will be made at the following intersections:

- Coolidge Avenue
- Washington Street
- Clifton Avenue
- Peter Avenue/Batchelor Avenue
- Vaughn Avenue/Westend Avenue
- Garfield Avenue
- Fischer Boulevard

These improvements include traffic signal upgrades and ADA-compliant ramps. Electrical work is scheduled begin in the next few weeks. Milling and paving is expected to begin in the summer 2022. The project is expected to be completed in 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 and our Facebook page.