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Route 22 eastbound overnight lane closures on Friday for sign structure installation in Newark Route 27 ramp onto Route 22 eastbound also closed and detoured overnight

(Trenton) – New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) officials today announced overnight lane and ramp closures on Route 22 eastbound tonight for the installation of an overhead sign structure in Newark, Essex County.

Beginning at 9 p.m. Friday, February 18 until 7 a.m. Saturday, February 19, NJDOT's contractor, Ferreira Construction Co. Inc., is scheduled to close the right lane on Route 22 eastbound approximately one-half mile before the on-ramp from Route 27/Frelinghuysen Avenue onto Route 22 eastbound.

Beginning at 10 p.m., the ramp, which becomes a third travel lane on Route 22, will be closed and detoured. The closures are necessary for the installation of a new overhead sign structure. At least one lane of traffic will be maintained at all times, and the exit ramp to Route 1&9 South will remain open. Motorists are advised to follow the signed detours:

Route 27/Frelinghuysen Avenue southbound to Route 22 eastbound detour

- Motorists traveling on Route 27/Frelinghuysen Avenue southbound wanting to take the ramp to Route 22 eastbound to Routes 1&9 and to I-78 will be directed to continue on Route 27/Frelinghuysen Avenue southbound
- Make a left turn onto Haynes Avenue
- Take the Haynes Avenue traffic circle to Routes 1&9 north to I-78 or Routes 1&9 south

Route 27/Frelinghuysen Avenue northbound to Route 22 eastbound detour

- Motorists traveling on Route 27/Frelinghuysen Avenue northbound and wanting to take the exit ramp to Route 22 eastbound will be directed to turn right onto Haynes Avenue, which is before the closed ramp, and
- Take Haynes Avenue traffic circle to Routes 1&9 north to I-78 or Routes 1&9 south
- Motorists who miss the detour sign at Haynes Avenue will be directed to make a left turn at Empire Street
- Then left at Victoria Street and back onto Frelinghuysen Avenue southbound where they will be directed back to Haynes Avenue.

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 <u>www.511nj.org</u> for construction updates and real-time travel information. For NJDOT news follow us on Twitter <u>@NewJerseyDOT</u> and our <u>Facebook page</u>.

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