



NJDOT TRAFFIC ADVISORY

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Route 82/Morris Avenue U-turn and Route 22 eastbound ramp closures tonight and tomorrow in Union Township Overnight closures necessary for drainage work

(Trenton) – New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) officials today announced the overnight closure of the Route 82/Morris Avenue eastbound U-turn tonight and the overnight closure of the Route 22 eastbound ramp to Route 82/Morris Avenue eastbound tomorrow in Union Township, Union County.

Thursday, August 25

Beginning at 8 p.m. tonight, Thursday, August 25 until 6 a.m. tomorrow, Friday, August 26, NJDOT's contractor, Black Rock Enterprises, is scheduled to close and detour the Route 82/Morris Avenue eastbound jughandle/U-turn across from the Lowe's Shopping Mall. The closure is necessary for drainage work. The following detour will be in place:

Route 82/Morris Avenue eastbound jughandle to Route 82 westbound detour

- Motorists on Route 82/Morris Avenue eastbound wishing to take the jughandle across from the Lowe's Shopping Mall to make a U-turn onto Route 82/Morris Avenue westbound will be directed to continue on Route 82 eastbound
- Turn left onto Salem Road
- Turn left onto Vauxhall Road
- Take the ramp to Route 22 westbound
- Stay left to take the ramp to Route 82 westbound

Friday, August 26

Beginning at 8 p.m. tonight, Friday, August 26 until 6 a.m. Saturday, August 27, the Route 22 eastbound ramp to Route 82/Morris Avenue eastbound is scheduled to be closed and detoured. The closure is necessary for drainage work. The following detour will be in place:

Route 22 eastbound ramp to Route 82/Morris Avenue eastbound detour

- Motorists on Route 22 eastbound wishing to take the ramp to Route 82/Morris Avenue eastbound will be directed to continue on Route 22 eastbound
- Take the exit for Vauxhall Road
- Turn left onto Vauxhall Road
- Turn right onto Salem Road back to Route 82/Morris Avenue

The \$9.8 million federally-funded project will make pedestrian and safety improvements on Route 82/Morris Avenue from Caldwell Avenue to Lehigh Avenue in Union Township, Union County. Eight traffic signals along this corridor will be replaced, ADA-compliant ramps will be installed along with high-visibility crosswalks. A road diet will be implemented at the intersection of Route 82/Morris Avenue and Caldwell Avenue to include dedicated left turn lanes. Lehigh Avenue will be widened at the intersection with Route 82/Morris Avenue to better accommodate turning trucks, and the median will be closed or extended in certain areas to prevent left turns. In addition, there will be lighting and drainage improvements, and the entire corridor will be repaved. The project is anticipated to be complete in the fall 2023.

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](https://twitter.com/NewJerseyDOT) and our [Facebook page](#).

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