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Route 22 eastbound ramp from Mountain Avenue closed Saturday as Route 22 Bridge over Echo Lake project advances in Mountainside Route 22 right lane closures also required on Saturday in both directions

(Trenton) – The ramp from Mountain Avenue to Route 22 eastbound is scheduled to be closed from 7 a.m. until 3 p.m. Saturday, March 18, as the Route 22 Bridge over Echo Lake Project advances in Mountainside, Union County. The following detour will be in place:

Mountain Avenue to Route 22 eastbound detour:

- Motorists on Mountain Avenue wishing to take the ramp to Route 22 eastbound will be directed to turn right onto Park Avenue
- Turn left onto Mill Lane
- Turn right onto Route 22 eastbound

In addition, from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, March 18, the right lane on Route 22 eastbound will be closed from New Providence Road/CR 645 to Locust Avenue, and the right lane on Route 22 westbound will be closed between Summit Road/CR 643 and Mountain Avenue/CR 613. The lane closures are necessary for utility work.

This is the fourth of five weekends requiring closures for utility work. At least one lane of traffic will be maintained on Route 22 in both directions during construction. Motorists are advised to slow down, use caution, and expected delays or plan an alternate route. NJDOT will provide notice prior to any future closures.

The work is part of a \$9 million federally-funded project to replace the culvert under the Route 22 Bridge over Echo Lake in Mountainside, Union County. The project will be done in stages in order to maintain all travel lanes throughout the project, which is expected to be completed in the fall of 2024.

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 real-time travel information and for NJDOT news follow us on Twitter @NewJerseyDOT and on the NJDOT Facebook page.