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Route 53 lane shifts and alternating traffic tonight as pavement preservation project advances in Morris County Traffic shift to set up work zone on southside of the roadway

(Trenton) – Traffic on Route 53 is scheduled to be shifted in both directions tonight before Lackawanna Avenue/Fox Hill Road until Estling Lane Road/Luger Road as the Route 53, Pondview Road to Hall Avenue Pavement Preservation project advances in Morris County.

Beginning at 8 p.m. tonight, Friday, June 28 until 7 a.m. tomorrow, Saturday, June 29, traffic on Route 53 will be shifted in both directions from mile post 3.7 to mile post 4.0 in Denville, Morris County. When necessary, traffic on Route 53 will be reduced to one lane and maintained using alternating traffic. The traffic shifts and alternating traffic pattern are necessary to restripe the roadway and place construction barrier. Motorists are advised to slow down, use caution, and expect delays.

By 7 a.m. Saturday, June 29, traffic on Route 23 will be shifted onto the northbound side of the roadway. Route 53 northbound traffic will be shifted to the right onto the shoulder, and Route 53 southbound traffic will be shifted to left onto the northbound side of the roadway. In addition, at least one driveway to access the businesses within the work zone will be maintained with additional markings to direct motorists. The traffic shift is necessary to create a work zone on the Route 53 southbound for utility work. This pattern is expected to remain in place for approximately one month.

This work is part of a \$5.3 million federally funded project that will restore approximately two and a half miles of pavement on Route 53 between Pondview Road in Parsippany-Troy Hills and Hall Avenue in Denville, Morris County. This project also includes updating guiderails, upgrading sidewalks and ADA-compliant curbs ramps, and making safety and operational improvements at the Route 53-Fox Hill Road/Lackawanna Avenue Intersection. This project is expected to be completed in late summer 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 X (Twitter) [@NewJerseyDOT](https://twitter.com/NewJerseyDOT) or on the [NJDOT Facebook page](https://www.facebook.com/njdot).

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