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I-80 eastbound lane closures this weekend as culvert repair project nears completion in Totowa, Passaic County Union Boulevard ramp to I-80 eastbound to be closed and detoured

(Trenton) – I-80 eastbound is scheduled to have three lanes closed this weekend at Exit 55A as a culvert rehabilitation project nears completion in Totowa, Passaic County. In addition, the ramp from Union Boulevard to I-80 eastbound is scheduled to be closed and detoured.

Beginning at 11 p.m. tonight, Friday, August 23 until 5 a.m. Monday, August 26, the three left lanes on I-80 eastbound are scheduled to be closed at Exit 55A. At least two lanes will be maintained on I-80 eastbound using the right lane and shoulder. Exit 55A will remain open. The closures are necessary to make repairs to the culvert that runs underneath I-80. Motorists are advised to slow down, use caution, and expect delays when driving through the work zone or plan an alternate route.

Additionally, from 11 p.m. Friday, August 23, until 5 a.m. Monday, August 26, the ramp from Union Boulevard to I-80 eastbound is scheduled to be closed and detoured. The following detour will be in place:

Union Boulevard southbound to I-80 eastbound Detour:

- Motorists on Union Boulevard southbound wishing to take the ramp to I-80 eastbound will be directed to continue on Union Boulevard southbound
- Take the ramp to Route 46 westbound
- Keep left to continue on Route 46 westbound/Route 23 southbound/Fairfield/Verona
- Keep right to take the ramp to Route 23 southbound/Verona/Service Road
- Keep left to take the ramp to I-80/Service Road
- Keep right to take the ramp to I-80 eastbound/New York

Union Boulevard northbound to I-80 eastbound Detour:

- Motorists on Union Boulevard northbound wishing to take the ramp to I-80 eastbound will be directed to take the jughandle to Route 46 westbound/Furler Street/U-Turn
- Turn left onto Union Boulevard southbound
- Take the ramp to Route 46 westbound
- Keep left to continue on Route 46 westbound/Route 23 southbound/Fairfield/Verona
- Keep right to take the ramp to Route 23 southbound/Verona/Service Road
- Keep left to take the ramp to I-80/Service Road

• Keep right to take the ramp to I-80 eastbound/New York

The \$1.5 million federally funded project will rehabilitate the existing culvert located underneath I-80 at Exit 55A in Totowa, Passaic County. In addition, the project includes improving roadway grading and paving. Construction is expected to be completed in fall 2024.

Variable Message Signs will provide advance notification to motorists of traffic pattern changes associated with the work. 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 real-time travel information and for NJDOT news follow us on X (Twitter) <u>@NewJerseyDOT</u> and on the <u>NJDOT Facebook page</u>.

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