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Route 166 daytime shoulder closures begin tomorrow for the next several weeks in Toms River, Ocean County Overnight alternating traffic on Route 166 to begin in late September

(Trenton) – Route 166 is scheduled to have daytime shoulder closures in both directions over the next several weeks as a maintenance roadway resurfacing project begins in Toms River, Ocean County. In addition, overnight lane closures on Route 166 are scheduled to begin in late September.

From 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Wednesday, August 28 and Thursday, August 29, and continuing Monday through Friday for the next several weeks, Route 166 is scheduled to have shoulder closures in both directions between Presidential Boulevard/Old Freehold Road/CR 623 and Lomell Lane in Toms River, Ocean County. The closures are necessary for curb and sidewalk repairs, as well as drainage inlet upgrades. Motorists are advised to slow down, use caution, and expect delays when driving through the work zone.

NJDOT does not allow lane closures beginning at 6 a.m. Friday, August 30 through noon, Tuesday, September 3, in observance of the Labor Day Holiday, unless emergency work is required. Daytime construction on Route 166 will resume after the holiday weekend.

Milling and paving is expected to begin in late September upon completion of the curb and sidewalk repairs and drainage upgrades. Paving work is scheduled to take place overnight, from 8 p.m. until 6 a.m. the next day, Monday through Thursday nights requiring a single lane on Route 166 northbound and southbound from Presidential Boulevard/Old Freehold Road/CR 623 to Lomell Lane. Traffic will be maintained using alternating traffic. Motorists are advised to slow down, use caution, and expect delays when driving through the work zone.

In addition, the milling and paving work may require ramp closures within the project limits. In the event of a ramp closure, motorists are advised to follow the signed detour.

This work is part of a \$5.4 million state funded maintenance project that will mill and pave approximately one mile of Route 166 and most ramps between Presidential Boulevard/Old Freehold Road/CR 623 and Lomell Lane in Toms River, Ocean County. In addition to milling and paving the roadway and ramps, the project will repair curbs and sidewalks and make drainage upgrades within the project limits. This project is expected to be completed by late fall 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 construction updates and real-time travel information. For NJDOT news follow us on X (Twitter) @NewJerseyDOT and our Facebook page.

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