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## Route 7 westbound two lanes closed tonight for gate repair in Jersey City, Hudson County Closure necessary to repair safety gate before Wittpenn Bridge

**(Trenton)** – The New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) today announced two lanes are scheduled to be closed tonight on Route 7 westbound before the Wittpenn Bridge between Jersey City and Kearny in Hudson County.

Beginning at 9 p.m. tonight, Thursday, August 29, until 4 a.m. tomorrow, Friday, August 30, two lanes on Route 7 westbound are scheduled to be closed before the Wittpenn Bridge to make repairs to the safety gate. One lane will be maintained overnight. If work is finished earlier, the lane and shoulder will reopen sooner.

The work is part of Route 7/Wittpenn Bridge over the Hackensack River project that replaced the existing bridge with a new, wider vertical lift bridge. The new bridge doubles the vertical clearance over Hackensack River from 35-feet to 70-feet, resulting in fewer openings and less congestion.

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> or on the <u>NJDOT</u> <u>Facebook page</u>.

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