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I-287 northbound Truck Rest Area reopened today in Harding, Morris County Improvements completed at NJDOT Safety Service Patrol area

(Trenton) – The I-287 northbound Truck Rest Area reopened today following the completion of improvements at the NJDOT Safety Service Patrol (SSP) parking lot, which is part of the rest area in Harding, Morris County.

The Truck Rest Area on I-287 northbound near mile post 32.4, about 1.5 miles before Exit 33 to Harter Road, reopened at approximately 3:30 p.m. today, Tuesday, September 3 following the completion of concrete work and final paving.

The SSP is a free service that assists motorists whose vehicles have become disabled as a result of a crash, a mechanical failure or other cause, and provides safety for emergency responders. SSP vehicles include mounted Dynamic Message Signs (DMS) advising motorists to **Slow Down and Move Over** in support of the <u>Move Over Law</u>. They patrol 225 linear miles of interstate and state highways throughout New Jersey, extending to over 394 miles during the winter season. This highly visible and successful program assists nearly 70,000 customers annually.

In addition to Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) funding, GEICO Insurance sponsors NJDOT's Safety Service Patrol Program as part of a public-private partnership. For more information about the SSP, please visit:

http://www.state.nj.us/transportation/commuter/motoristassistance/ssp.shtm

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 construction updates and real-time travel information. For NJDOT news follow us on X (Twitter) <u>@NewJerseyDOT</u> and our <u>Facebook page.</u>

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