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I-78 eastbound Express lanes to be closed Thursday night for bridge work in Newark Traffic will be directed to use I-78 Local lanes

(Trenton) – The I-78 eastbound Express lanes are scheduled to be closed Thursday night to shift traffic under the Bragaw Bridge over I-78 in Newark, Essex County.

Beginning at 10 p.m. tomorrow, Thursday, November 7, until 5 a.m. Friday, November 8, the I-78 eastbound Express lanes are scheduled to be closed before the Garden State Parkway with all traffic directed to the Local lanes. The closure is necessary to remove construction barrier, install rumble stripes, and restripe the Express lanes to shift traffic back to its original configuration following completion of repairs to the Bragaw Street Bridge over I-78.

The work is part of an \$11 million state-funded maintenance project to repair bridges in Bergen, Essex, Hudson, Morris, Passaic, Sussex, Union, and Warren counties.

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 www.511nj.org for real-time travel information and for NJDOT news follow us on X (Twitter) @NewJerseyDOT, the NJDOT Facebook page, and on Instagram @newjersey.dot.