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Route 1&9 Truck southbound to be closed through Wednesday to repair the Passaic River Bridge between Kearny & Newark Signed detour will be in place

(Trenton) – New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) officials today announced Route 1&9 Truck southbound will be closed and detoured between Kearny and Newark for several days as repairs to the bridge across the Passaic River continue.

Beginning at 8 p.m. tonight, Friday, July 16, until 12 noon, Wednesday, July 21, NJDOT's contractor, I.E.W. Construction Group, is scheduled to close Route 1&9 Truck southbound between Central Avenue in Kearny and Doremus Avenue in Newark. In addition, the northbound left lane will be closed on Sunday between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. These closures will allow the contractor to replace worn trans-flex joints on the Bridge over the Passaic River. Motorists are advised to follow the signed detours in place utilizing the Route 7/Wittpenn Bridge. Cars only may take the Pulaski Skyway.

Local access between Jersey City and Kearny will be maintained. NJ Transit Bus Routes 1, 67, and 319 will not be operating this weekend. Shuttle service will be offered. For more information see <u>NJ Transit's</u> <u>advisory</u>. The following detours will be in place:

Route 1&9 southbound from Jersey City detour:

- Traffic on Route 1&9 south in Jersey City will be directed to stay right and follow signs for Route 7 west/Wittpenn Bridge
- Cross the Wittpenn Bridge
- Stay left and follow signs for I-280/Harrison/Newark
- Take the exit ramp to I-280 westbound
- Take Exit 15 Route 21/Newark/Belleville
- Stay in the right two lanes and turn right onto Route 21 South/McCarter Highway
- Turn left onto Raymond Boulevard
- Merge onto Market Street
- Follow Market Street which merges onto Ferry Street
- Turn right onto Foundry Street
- Turn left onto Avenue P, which becomes Roanoke Avenue
- Turn left onto Doremus Avenue to Route 1&9 south or the New Jersey Turnpike

Route 1&9 Truck southbound from Kearny/Route 440 north/Communipaw Avenue detour:

- Traffic wishing to take Route 1&9 Truck south from Kearny, Communipaw Avenue, or Route 440 north will be directed to take Route 1&9 Truck north to Route 7/Wittpenn
 - o **Trucks** will be directed to take Route 1&9 Truck northbound toward Route 7
 - Keep right and take the ramp to James Avenue
 - Turn right onto Saint Paul's Avenue
 - Turn left after crossing the railroad tracks onto the ramp to Route 1&9 Truck southbound towards Route 7 westbound to Kearny/Bayonne/Newark
 - Take the ramp to Route 7 westbound
 - o Cars will be directed to take Route 1&9 Truck northbound toward Route 7
 - Keep right and take the ramp to James Avenue
 - Turn left onto Saint Paul's Avenue
 - Turn left onto the ramp towards Route 1&9 Truck southbound towards Bayonne
 - Keep right and follow signs towards Route 7 westbound towards Kearny
 - Take the ramp towards Route 7 westbound
- All traffic will cross the Wittpenn Bridge
- Stay left and follow signs for I-280/Harrison/Newark
- Stay right to take the ramp to I-280 westbound
- Take Exit 15 Route 21/Newark/Belleville
- Stay in the right two lanes and turn right onto Route 21 South/McCarter Highway
- Turn left onto Raymond Boulevard
- Merge onto Market Street
- Follow Market Street which merges onto Ferry Street

The precise timing of the work is subject to change due to weather or other factors. If work is completed early, the roadway will reopen sooner. 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 Twitter @NewJerseyDOT and our Facebook page.

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