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Main Street/CR 577 Bridge over I-78 deck replacement project begins in Springfield Lane closures needed on bridge and on I-78 for sign structure work

(Trenton) – New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) officials today announced the start of a project to replace the deck on the Main Street/CR 577 Bridge over I-78, in Springfield, Union County.

The \$8.2 million Main Street/CR 577 Bridge over I-78 project will replace the existing bridge deck, which is in poor condition. In addition to replacing the deck, the project includes the installation of new overhead sign structures on I-78 and new guiderails. To begin, there will be a series of overnight lane closures on Main Street/CR 577 and I-78 tonight and next week.

Main Street/CR 577 lane closures

Beginning at 8:30 p.m. tonight, Friday, August 7, until 4:30 a.m., Saturday, August 8, NJDOT's Contractor, Conti Construction LLC., is scheduled to close one lane on Main Street between Springfield Avenue and Bleeker Street with alternating traffic to restripe the road.

On Monday, August 10, from 8:30 p.m. until 4:30 a.m., the next day, one lane on Main Street between Springfield Avenue and Bleeker Street will be closed with alternating traffic to install construction barrier and to implement a traffic shift.

By Tuesday morning, traffic will be shifted to the east side of the bridge with one lane of traffic maintained in each direction on the Main Street/CR 577 with a work zone on the west side of the bridge. The sidewalk on the west side of the bridge will be closed, with pedestrian access maintained on the sidewalk on the east side of the bridge.

I-78 lane closures next week

Beginning at 8:30 p.m. Tuesday, August 11, until 4:30 a.m., the next day, and continuing each night through Friday, August 14, there will be lane closures on I-78 underneath the bridge to install construction barrier to close the shoulders in both the express and local lanes in both directions. Traffic also will be shifted slightly and the I-78 eastbound local lanes will be narrowed to 11-feet. I-78 westbound express and local, and eastbound express will maintain 12-foot travel lanes. Work is expected to take place on one segment of the road each night as follows:

- Tuesday, August 11 I-78 westbound local lanes
- Wednesday, August 12 I-78 westbound express lanes
- Thursday, August 13 I-78 eastbound express lanes
- Friday, August 14 I-78 eastbound local lanes

The closures are necessary to remove the overhead signs attached to the bridge and for median work. This stage is expected to be completed in early fall.

The project is being constructed in stages to minimize impact to traffic. When this stage is completed, work will begin on the east side of the bridge deck. In addition to replacing the bridge deck, the project will demolish and reconstruct the north and south abutments, relocate utility poles, and install new overhead sign structures. The project is expected to be completed by fall 2022.

Variable Message Signs are being used to provide advance notification of all traffic pattern changes associated with the bridge project. The precise timing of the work is subject to change due to weather or other factors.

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