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## River Road/CR 622 lane and ramp closures required as project to replace bridge over I-287 begins in Piscataway, Middlesex County Closures required to install construction barrier

**(Trenton)** – New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) officials today announced lane and ramp closures on River Road/CR 622 as the River Road/CR 622 Bridge over I-287 replacement project begins in Piscataway, Middlesex County.

Beginning at 9 p.m. tonight, Friday, October 15, NJDOT's contractor, Ritacco Construction, Inc., is scheduled to close the left lane in each direction on the River Road/CR 622 Bridge over I-287. These closures will allow the contractor to install construction barrier, creating a work zone to remove the center median to prepare for a traffic shift. One lane of traffic will be maintained in each direction. The left lanes will remain closed for several weeks.

In addition, the ramps from I-287 southbound to River Road/CR 622 westbound and I-287 northbound to River Road/CR 622 eastbound will be closed and detoured beginning at 11 p.m. tonight, Friday, October 15 until 5 a.m. tomorrow, Saturday, October 16. I-287 Exit 9 will remain open in both directions with only the portion of the ramps closed where it splits as noted above. Motorists are advised to follow the signed detours which will be in place.

The \$13.5 million federally-funded project will reconstruct the River Road/CR 622 Bridge over I-287, which is in poor condition. The bridge will be reconstructed with two lanes in each direction and six foot sidewalks with pedestrian fencing. The project is designed to advance in stages to minimize the impact to motorists. The project is anticipated to be complete by winter 2024.

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 <a href="https://www.511nj.org">www.511nj.org</a> for construction updates and real-time travel information. For NJDOT news follow us on Twitter <a href="https://www.seybot.com/www.seybot.">@NewJerseyDOT</a> and our <a href="https://www.seybot.com/www.seyb