



# NJDOT TRAFFIC ADVISORY

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## **Route 1&9 southbound ramp to Route 1&9 Truck southbound to be closed tonight in Jersey City Detour necessary for watermain replacement**

**(Trenton)** – The New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) today announced the Route 1&9 southbound ramp to Route 1&9 Truck southbound in Jersey City is scheduled to be closed tonight to allow for the replacement of a 160-year-old Jersey City watermain.

Beginning at 9 p.m. tonight, Monday, November 7 until 5 a.m. tomorrow, Tuesday, November 8, and again tomorrow night at the same time if necessary, the ramp from Route 1&9 southbound to Route 1&9 Truck southbound is scheduled to be closed and detoured for watermain replacement. The following detour will be in place overnight this week:

### **Route 1&9 southbound to Route 1&9 Truck southbound detour:**

- Route 1&9 southbound traffic wishing to take the ramp to Route 1&9 Truck southbound will be directed to stay straight toward Route 7 westbound
- Take Route 7 westbound across the Wittpenn Bridge
- Stay left to CR 508/I-280/NJ Turnpike/Harrison/Newark
- Stay right to take the second ramp to Route 7 east to Route 1&9/Jersey City
- Take Route 7 eastbound back to the Wittpenn Bridge
- Cross the Wittpenn Bridge and take the exit for Newark Avenue
- Turn right onto Route 1&9 Truck southbound

Ramp closures in the area are expected to continue for about two weeks. The watermain work is expected to be completed before Thanksgiving, weather permitting.

### **About the Project**

The Route 7/Wittpenn Bridge over the Hackensack River project replaced the existing bridge with a new, wider vertical lift bridge. The new bridge doubles the vertical clearance over Hackensack River from 35-feet to 70-feet, resulting in fewer openings and less congestion.

Construction of the new bridge is being accomplished in [five separate contracts](#). The first three contracts have been completed and included advance utility work, and building the Fish House Road Pump Station, roadway embankments, river piers, fender system and a portion of the

approach spans for the new vertical lift bridge. The fourth and fifth contracts are nearing completion. The Newark Avenue ramp in Jersey City, the last major element of the project, opened on October 15, 2022.

Motorists are encouraged to check NJDOT's traffic information website [www.511nj.org](http://www.511nj.org) for real-time travel information, and for NJDOT news follow us on Twitter [@NewJerseyDOT](https://twitter.com/NewJerseyDOT) or on the [NJDOT Facebook page](#).

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