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Route 3 and Route 46 lane and ramp closures this week as interchange project nears completion in Passaic County Route 3 westbound ramps to and from Grove Street closed tonight

(Trenton) – Route 3 and Route 46 are scheduled to have lane and ramp closures in both directions this week as the Route 3/Route 46 interchange improvement project nears completion in Little Falls and Clifton, Passaic County. In addition, the Route 3 westbound ramps to and from Grove Street will be closed and detoured tonight.

Route 3 westbound lane and ramp closures

Beginning at 9 p.m. tonight, Tuesday, August 22 until 5 a.m. tomorrow, Wednesday, August 23, the Route 3 westbound ramp to Grove Street and the Grove Street ramp to Route 3 westbound are scheduled to be closed and detoured. In addition, tonight, Tuesday, August 22 and tomorrow, Wednesday, August 23 from 9 p.m. until 5 a.m. the next day, the two right lanes on Route 3 westbound will be closed between Grove Street and the driveway to the car dealership. One lane will remain open overnight on Route 3 westbound to the merge with Route 46 westbound. The ramp to Valley Road also will remain open. The following detours for the Grove Street ramps will be in place:

Route 3 westbound to Grove Street detour:

- Motorists on Route 3 westbound wishing to take the Grove Street exit will be directed to continue on Route 3 westbound
- Route 3 westbound becomes Route 46 westbound
- Take the Great Notch Road exit
- Keep right at the fork to turn right onto Great Notch Road
- Turn right onto Valley Road southbound
- Turn left onto Route 3 eastbound
- Take the Grove Street exit toward Montclair/Paterson

Grove Street northbound to Route 3 westbound detour:

- Motorists on Grove Street northbound wishing to take Route 3 westbound will be directed to take the ramp onto Route 3 eastbound
- Take the exit for Broad Street
- Turn left onto Broad Street/CR 509
- Turn right onto Allwood Road/CR 602
- Turn right onto the ramp to Route 3 westbound

Grove Street southbound to Route 3 westbound detour:

- Motorists on Grove Street southbound wishing to take Route 3 westbound will be directed to continue on Grove Street southbound
- Take the ramp for Route 3 eastbound
- Take the exit for Broad Street
- Turn left onto Broad Street/CR 509
- Turn right onto Allwood Road/CR 602
- Turn right onto the ramp to Route 3 westbound

Route 46 westbound lane and ramp closures

Tonight, Tuesday, August 22 and tomorrow, Wednesday, August 23 from 9 p.m. until 5 a.m. the next day, the two right lanes on Route 46 westbound are scheduled to be closed between St. Phillips Drive to the Mobil gas station just past Valley Road. At least one lane will be maintained overnight.

Route 46 westbound traffic merging with Route 3 westbound traffic will have a temporary stop sign at the merge.

In addition, on Thursday, August 24 from 9 p.m. until 5 a.m. Friday, August 25, the two left lanes on Route 46 westbound are scheduled to be closed between Valley Road and Lower Notch Road. At least one lane will be maintained overnight. The closures are necessary to prepare for a traffic shift scheduled for Friday night.

Route 46 and Route 3 eastbound lane and ramp closures

Beginning at 9 p.m. tomorrow, Wednesday, August 23 until 5 a.m. Thursday, August 24, the two left lanes on Route 46 eastbound are scheduled to be closed between Lower Notch Road and Valley Road. In addition, the left lane on Route 3 eastbound is scheduled to be closed at the same time from where Route 3 and Route 46 split to the on-ramp from Valley Road. At least one lane will be maintained on both Route 46 eastbound and Route 3 eastbound overnight.

On Thursday, August 24 from 9 p.m. until 5 a.m. Friday, August 25, the right lane on Route 46 eastbound is scheduled to be closed beginning at Valley Road through Conklin Drive. Two lanes on Route 46 eastbound are scheduled to be closed at the same time between Conklin Drive and Rock Hill Road. At least one lane will be maintained overnight. In addition, the ramp from Valley Road to Route 46 eastbound is scheduled to be closed. The ramp from Valley Road to Route 3 eastbound will remain open. The following detour will be in place for the Valley Road ramp to Route 46 eastbound:

Valley Road ramp to Route 46 eastbound detour:

- Motorists on Valley Road wishing to take the ramp to Route 46 eastbound will be directed to take the ramp to Route 3 eastbound
- Take the Grove Street exit
- Turn left onto Grove Street/CR 623
- Go through the traffic signal at Van Houten Avenue
- Turn left onto the ramp to Route 46 eastbound

The \$160 million federally funded Contract B portion of the Route 3, Route 46, Valley Road and Notch/Rifle Camp Road Interchange Improvements project includes the realignment and widening of Route 46, as well as the construction of wider shoulders, acceleration, deceleration, and auxiliary lanes. At the Route 3/Route 46 interchange, a three-lane Route 3 section will replace the existing two-lane

connections, and Route 46 will be realigned to better converge with Route 3. The new interchange includes four new bridge structures, a new signalized intersection, and a new multi-lane roundabout. Final paving is expected to take place in September, and the project is expected to be complete by the end of the year.

Contract A, which was completed in fall 2019, included the construction of the new Great Notch Road, a new bridge over Route 46 from Great Notch Road to Clove Road, three signalized intersections, and two single-lane roundabouts parallel to Route 46 westbound to remove local traffic from the state highway.

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 Twitter [@NewJerseyDOT](https://twitter.com/NewJerseyDOT) or on the [NJDOT Facebook page](#).

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