



# NJDOT TRAFFIC ADVISORY

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## **POSTPONED**

### **I-280 westbound lane and ramp closures begin Friday night as bridge deck replacement project starts in Newark 8<sup>th</sup> Ave/Clifton Ave ramp to I-280 westbound to be closed during project**

**(Trenton)** – I-280 westbound lane and ramp closures that were scheduled to begin Friday night for the start of a bridge deck replacement project in Newark, Essex County are being postponed due to the forecast of inclement weather. In addition, the ramp from 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue/Clifton Avenue onto I-280 westbound that was scheduled to be closed and detoured will remain open until the project starts. NJDOT will provide an update once the work is rescheduled.

The \$31.7 million federally-funded project will replace the I-280 westbound bridge decks on the 10-span viaduct that goes over the NJ TRANSIT tracks, Orange Street and 1<sup>st</sup> Street in Newark, Essex County. The project includes substructure repairs, replacing bearings, repairing structural steel, and repainting portions of the bridge. In addition, the existing retaining wall on the ramp from 1<sup>st</sup> Street to I-280 westbound will be replaced to allow for three through lanes on I-280 westbound beyond the bridge. Two new overhead sign structures also will be installed over I-280. The project was designed to advance in stages to minimize impact on motorists. Construction is expected to be completed by fall 2025.

Variable Message Signs will provide advance notification to motorists of traffic pattern changes associated with the work. 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](http://www.511nj.org) for real-time travel information and for NJDOT news follow us on Twitter [@NewJerseyDOT](https://twitter.com/NewJerseyDOT) and on the [NJDOT Facebook page](#).

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