



NJDOT TRAFFIC ADVISORY

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Valley Road ramp to Route 3/Route 46 to close overnight as interchange improvement project advances in Clifton Signed detour will be in place

(Trenton) – New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) officials today announced the ramp from Valley Road to Route 3 eastbound/Route 46 eastbound will be closed and detoured overnight tonight as the Route 3/Route 46 Improvement Project advances in Passaic County.

Beginning at approximately 8 p.m. tonight, Friday, April 30, until 8 a.m. Saturday, May 1, NJDOT's contractor, Union Paving & Construction Co., Inc., is scheduled to close the ramp from Valley Road to Route 3 eastbound/Route 46 eastbound in Clifton. This will allow the contractor to complete paving and roadway striping. The following signed detour will be in place overnight:

Valley Road northbound ramp to Route 3 eastbound/Route 46 eastbound detour:

- Motorists traveling on Valley Road northbound wishing to take the ramp to Route 3 eastbound/Route 46 eastbound will be directed to continue on Valley Road
- Turn left onto Great Notch Road
- Turn left onto Clove Road
- Keep right and follow the roundabout to Route 46 eastbound
- Continue on Route 46 eastbound or take the ramp to Route 3 eastbound

Valley Road southbound ramp to Route 3 eastbound/Route 46 eastbound detour:

- Motorists traveling on Valley Road southbound wishing to take the ramp to Route 3 eastbound/Route 46 eastbound will be directed to turn right onto Great Notch Road, which comes before the ramp to Route 3 eastbound/Route 46 eastbound
- Turn left onto Clove Road
- Keep right and follow the roundabout to Route 46 eastbound
- Continue on Route 46 eastbound or take the ramp to Route 3 eastbound

By 8 a.m. Saturday, May 1, the ramp will reopen and traffic will be shifted to the right onto the newly-paved portion of the ramp.

The \$189 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. This work is anticipated to be complete in 2024.

Contract A, which was completed in fall 2019, included the construction 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.

Variable message signs are being utilized throughout the project limits to provide advance notification to motorists of all traffic pattern changes associated with the interchange improvements project. Throughout the project, NJDOT will provide information on upcoming road or ramp closures.

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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