



NJDOT TRAFFIC ADVISORY

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Route 46 daytime lane closures required this week at Passaic Avenue as Willowbrook Mall project advances **Closures necessary for concrete work and guiderail completion**

(Trenton) – New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) officials today announced daytime lane closures this week on Route 46 in both directions between Route 23 and Passaic Avenue/CR 613 as the Route 46 at Passaic Avenue to Willowbrook Mall project advances between Fairfield, Essex County and Wayne, Passaic County.

Beginning tomorrow at 6 a.m., Tuesday, May 24 until 3 p.m., and continuing each weekday through Friday, June 4, NJDOT's contractor, Anselmi & DeCicco, Inc. is scheduled to close the Route 46 westbound shoulder between Passaic Avenue/CR 613 and Route 23 for pavement removal and curb work.

In addition, at 8 a.m., Tuesday, May 24 until 3:30 p.m., and continuing each weekday through Friday, June 4, the left lane on Route 46 westbound will be closed in the same area for guiderail installation and barrier removal. One lane will be maintained at all times.

Additional lane and shoulder closures on Route 46 eastbound may also be required during this period of time for concrete work and bridge beam installation.

The \$40 million federally-funded Route 46 Bridge over the Passaic River to Willowbrook Mall project will replace the existing eastbound bridge and widen Route 46 from two lanes to three lanes in each direction to enhance safety and ease traffic congestion. Four new overhead sign structures will be built. The project will be completed in three stages with some construction activities being performed at night to reduce the impact to the public. The project is expected to be completed in late 2022.

Portable variable message signs are being utilized to provide advance notification to the motoring public of all 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 for real-time travel information and for NJDOT news and updates follow us on the [NJDOT Facebook page](#) or on Twitter [@NewJerseyDOT](#).

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