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Route 22 eastbound ramp to Hillside Avenue reopened today as safety improvement project completes in Hillside **New bridge increases under clearance over Route 22**

(Trenton) – New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) officials today announced that the Route 22 eastbound connector ramp to Hillside Avenue reopened today as the Route 22 Hilldale Place/North Broad Street safety improvement project completes in Hillside, Union County.

NJDOT's contractor, Anselmi & DeCicco, Inc., reopened the Route 22 eastbound connector ramp to Hillside Avenue at approximately 1:30 p.m., today, August 11. The ramp was closed on December 30, 2019 to replace the bridge. Work was done in stages with one side reconstructed at a time to allow the ramp from Hillside Avenue to Route 22 eastbound to remain open during construction.

The \$10.3 million federally-funded project replaced the existing bridge that serves as the Route 22 eastbound connector. The new bridge meets current design and safety standards and improves the vertical under clearance to 15-feet, 5-inches over Route 22. It also included the addition of an acceleration lane for the Route 22 eastbound entrance ramp from Hillside Avenue, a deceleration taper for the Route 22 eastbound exit ramp to Hillside Avenue, and a right turn lane in the area between North Broad Street and Harding Terrace. Over the next month, a flashing signal pole with yellow flashers will be installed on Route 22 eastbound.

Variable Message Signs will provide advance notification to motorists of the 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 construction updates and real-time travel information. For NJDOT news follow us on Twitter [@NewJerseyDOT](https://twitter.com/NewJerseyDOT) and our [Facebook page](#).

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