



NJDOT TRAFFIC ADVISORY

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I-295 and Route 42 overnight lane closures tonight and tomorrow in Bellmawr as Browning Road Bridge demo continues **Closures also necessary for work on Missing Moves project**

(Trenton) – New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) officials today announced overnight lane closures and detours on I-295 and Route 42 tonight and tomorrow as [the demolition of the Browning Road Bridge](#) continues in Bellmawr, Camden County.

Tuesday, February 8

NJDOT's contractor, South State, Inc., is scheduled to close the two right lanes on I-295 northbound and the two left lanes on I-295 southbound before the Creek Road Bridge beginning with a single lane closure in each direction at 8 p.m. and then a double lane closure in both directions between 10 p.m. until 5 a.m. Wednesday, February 9. At least one lane will be maintained.

The northbound lane closures are necessary to install girders for the ramp being constructed from Route 42 northbound to I-295 southbound, and the southbound lane closures are needed to remove shielding from under the newly constructed portion of the Creek Road Bridge over I-295. This work is part of the Missing Moves project that will build new ramps connecting Route 42 northbound to I-295 southbound, and I-295 northbound to Route 42 southbound in order to allow for the direct movement of traffic between the two roadways.

Tuesday, February 8 and Wednesday, February 9

The two right lanes on I-295 northbound are scheduled to be closed near the Creek Road overpass and then traffic will be detoured to Exit 26 where the highway splits for I-76 toward Philadelphia/I-295 toward Trenton between 9 p.m. and 5 a.m. the next day, both tonight, Tuesday, February 8 and tomorrow, Wednesday, February 9.

In addition, between 10 p.m. and 5 a.m. the next day both tonight, Tuesday, February 8 and tomorrow Wednesday, February 9, the two right lanes on Route 42 northbound are scheduled to be closed just before Exit 14/Leaf Avenue as well as Exit 1B to I-295 northbound. These closures will allow underdeck removal and shielding work below the Browning Road Bridge. The following detours will be in place both nights:

I-295 northbound detour:

- Motorists on I-295 northbound will be directed to stay left and take Exit 26 for I-76 westbound
- Take I-76 westbound to Exit 2/I-676 northbound

- Take I-676 northbound to Exit 1/Collings Avenue
- Turn right onto Collings Avenue
- Turn left onto I-676 southbound which becomes I-76 eastbound
- Take I-76 eastbound to Exit 1B to I-295 northbound

Route 42 Exit 1B to I-295 northbound detour:

- Motorists on Route 42 northbound wishing to take Exit 1B to I-295 northbound will be directed to continue on Route 42 northbound to I-76 westbound
- Take I-76 westbound to Exit 2/I-676 northbound
- Take I-676 northbound to Exit 1/Collings Avenue
- Turn right onto Collings Avenue
- Turn left onto I-676 southbound which becomes I-76 eastbound
- Take I-76 eastbound to Exit 1B to I-295 northbound

Overnight lane closures continue for several weeks

In the coming weeks, there will be lanes closures Monday through Friday nights to allow for the Browning Road Bridge demolition. The closures are scheduled to take place from 9 p.m. until 6 a.m. the next day on I-295 southbound and I-76 eastbound/Route 42 southbound. Closures on I-295 northbound and Route 42 northbound/I-76 westbound will take place from 9 p.m. until 5 a.m. the next day. [Click here](#) for a schedule of closures planned this week.

Typically, only two lanes of traffic in one direction will be closed at any one time with at least one lane open to traffic. To provide safety to workers and motorists, there is the possibility of temporary 15-minute traffic stoppages on some nights to accommodate the removal of bridge components that span additional lanes of traffic. In addition, there is the possibility for ramp closures and detours that have been used in the past, to provide additional safety.

The demolition of the Browning Road Bridge is beginning with the removal of pipe and conduit under the bridge, as well as installation of shielding under the bridge. When this work is complete, the deck will be removed and then the steel girders. Once all of the bridge structure over the I-295, I-76 and Route 42 is removed, demolition work will move to the east abutment and then to the west abutment. All of this work should be completed by spring.

The work is part of the Direct Connect project that will provide a seamless route for I-295 motorists traveling through the interchange of I-295, I-76, and Route 42. To sign up for I-295 Direct Connect project updates go to 295DirectConnect.com or text CONNECT to 1-844-844-3681.

Portable variable message signs are being utilized to provide advance notification to the 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 follow us on Twitter [@NewJerseyDOT](https://twitter.com/NewJerseyDOT) or on the [NJDOT Facebook page](#).

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