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# I-76 lane closures Friday night for restriping as bridge deck project begins in Gloucester City Klemm Avenue also to be closed and detoured

**(Trenton)** – New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) officials today announced overnight lane closures on I-76 on Friday night as a project to repair the deck on the I-76 Bridge over Klemm Avenue begins in Gloucester City, Camden County. Klemm Avenue also will be closed and detoured starting Friday night, February 11.

# I-76 Lane Closures

Beginning at 8 p.m., tomorrow, Friday, February 11, until 7 a.m. Saturday, February 12, NJDOT's contractor, South State Inc., is scheduled to close the three left lanes on I-76 in both directions between Market Street and the Bridge over Nicholson Road to restripe the roadway. The work will start with one lane closed at 8 p.m., a second lane will be closed at 9 p.m. and the third lane will be closed at 10 p.m. At least two lanes will be maintained at all times on I-76 eastbound, and three lanes will be maintained on I-76 westbound.

Next week there will be lane closures in both directions, Monday through Friday nights between 8 p.m. and 5 a.m. the next day to place construction barrier in the right shoulder. This will allow the contractor to shift traffic to the left using the left shoulder as a travel lane.

#### **Klemm Avenue Closure**

Beginning at 10 p.m. Friday, February 11, Klemm Avenue under I-76 is scheduled to be closed and detoured. Local access will be maintained for residents and businesses. The initial work will be shoring up the creek embankments under the bridge. The following detour will be in place for the duration of the project:

# Klemm Avenue westbound detour:

- Motorists on Klemm Avenue westbound will be directed to turn right onto Route 130 northbound
- Turn right on Wilson Avenue
- Stay left for Nicholson Avenue/U- and Left Turns
- Take Nicholson Avenue westbound
- Turn left at N. Johnson Boulevard back to Klemm Avenue

## Klemm Avenue eastbound detour:

- Motorists on S. Johnson Boulevard wishing to take Klemm Avenue eastbound will be directed to turn right onto Baynes Avenue
- Turn left on Market Street
- Turn left onto Crescent Boulevard
- Stay right to take the exit for Route 130 northbound
- Turn right onto Klemm Avenue

The \$57.2 million project will replace the I-76 Bridge over Klemm Avenue, Conrail and the South Branch Newton Creek Bridge. In addition, the project will replace the noise walls on the bridge and on the approach roadway, as well overhead sign structures. Improvements will be made to ramps, drainage, lighting, and ITS components within the project limits. I-76 carries an average of 200,000 vehicles each day. To minimize the impact to traffic and reduce the construction time, the bridge replacement will be done in stages using Accelerated Bridge Construction (ABC) methods using prefabricated materials. The project is expected to be completed in the fall 2023.

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 <a href="www.511nj.org">www.511nj.org</a> for construction updates and real-time travel information. For NJDOT news follow us on Twitter <a href="@NewJerseyDOT">@NewJerseyDOT</a> and our <a href="Facebook page">Facebook page</a>.

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