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Route 3 westbound ramp to Valley Road/CR 621 to be closed for several months in Clifton, Passaic County Route 46 eastbound lane closures tonight in Little Falls

(Trenton) – New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) officials today announced the Route 3 westbound ramp to Valley Road/CR 621 is scheduled to be closed and detoured tonight for several months as the Route 3/Route 46 Interchange Improvement Project advances in Passaic County. In addition, two lanes on Route 46 eastbound will be closed tonight to implement a traffic shift between Browertown Road and Clove Road.

Route 3 westbound ramp to Valley Road closure

Beginning at 9 p.m. tonight, Friday, July 8, NJDOT's contractor, Union Paving & Construction Co., Inc., is scheduled to close the Route 3 westbound ramp to Valley Road/CR 621 in Clifton for several months to conduct bridge, drainage, and utility work. The following detour will be in place:

Route 3 westbound ramp to Valley Road/CR 621 detour:

- Motorists wishing to take the Route 3 westbound ramp to Valley Road/CR 621 will be directed to continue on Route 3 westbound, which becomes Route 46 westbound
- Take the exit for Browertown Road/Woodland Park/Little Falls/U-turn
- Turn right onto Browertown Road
- Turn right onto Rose Street
- Take the ramp to Route 46 eastbound
- Take the exit for Notch Road
- At the end of the ramp, turn left onto Notch Road
- Stay left to continue on Notch Road
- At the traffic circle take the first exit onto Great Notch Road to Valley Road

Route 46 eastbound lane closures

Beginning at 9 p.m. tonight, Friday, July 8, until 7 a.m. tomorrow, Saturday, July 9, two lanes on Route 46 eastbound between Browertown Road and Clove Road will be closed to implement a traffic shift. One lane of traffic will be maintained overnight. The closure is necessary to reposition construction barriers to create a work zone on the left side. By Saturday morning, all lanes will be shifted to the right onto the newly built roadway.

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.

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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