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I-295 northbound right lane to be closed tonight to reposition construction barrier in Bellmawr Long-term shoulder closure necessary to create a work zone

(Trenton) – New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) officials are reminding motorists that the right lane on I-295 northbound is scheduled to be closed tonight to reposition construction barrier for retaining wall reconstruction as the Direct Connection project advances in Bellmawr, Camden County.

The right lane on I-295 northbound will be closed from 9 p.m. tonight, Monday, August 15 until 5 a.m. tomorrow, Tuesday, August 16. The closure will begin just past the Creek Road overpass before Exit 26 where the highway splits for I-76 toward Philadelphia and I-295 toward Trenton, and will continue through the tunnel. Route 42 northbound traffic will be unaffected. The closure is necessary to reposition construction barrier to close the right shoulder so it can be widened as reconstruction begins on the retaining wall. Work will initially consist of lighting and drainage improvements, as well as pavement construction. Reconstruction of the wall is expected to begin this fall.

The work is part of the Direct Connection 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.

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