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Route 3 westbound lane closure tonight needed to shift Route 46 westbound traffic in Clifton and Little Falls, Passaic County Route 46 westbound ramp to Great Notch Road to reopen

(Trenton) – New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) officials today announced a lane closure on Route 3 westbound tonight as the Route 3/Route 46 Interchange Improvement Project advances in Clifton and Little Falls, Passaic County.

Beginning at 9 p.m. tonight, Friday, December 2 until 6 a.m. tomorrow, Saturday, December 3, NJDOT's contractor, Union Paving & Construction Co., Inc., is scheduled to close the right lane on Route 3 westbound at Grove Street through Route 46 westbound. The closure is necessary to shift the left lane on Route 46 westbound from St. Phillips Drive to the right onto the newly constructed bridge over the Route 3 westbound ramp to Valley Road and the Route 46 Bridge over Valley Road. In addition, the ramp from Route 46 westbound to Great Notch Road will reopen.

The \$160 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.