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Route 46 westbound lane closures tonight for paving in Clifton and Little Falls, Passaic County

Route 46 westbound ramp to Lower Notch Road to reopen

(Trenton) – New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) officials today announced lane closures on Route 46 westbound tonight as the Route 3/Route 46 Interchange Improvement Project advances in Clifton and Little Falls, Passaic County. In addition, the Route 46 westbound ramp to Lower Notch Road will reopen tomorrow.

Beginning at 9 p.m. tonight, Friday, December 16 until 9 a.m. tomorrow, Saturday, December 17, NJDOT's contractor, Union Paving & Construction Co., Inc., is scheduled to close the two right lanes on Route 46 westbound from the ramp to Great Notch Road/Valley Road through Browertown Road in Little Falls. One lane will be maintained overnight. In addition, the ramp from Lower Notch Road to Route 46 westbound will be closed overnight. The closures are necessary to mill and pave a portion of Route 46 westbound in order to shift traffic onto a portion of the new Route 46 Bridge over Lower Notch Road. On Saturday morning, the Route 46 westbound ramp to Lower Notch Road, which has been closed for the current construction, is scheduled to 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.

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 @NewJerseybot or on the <a href="https://www.seybot.com/nyb