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Route 7/Wittpenn Bridge to have 15-minute temporary closure in both directions Sunday Closure necessary for gate and safety equipment testing

(Trenton) – The Route 7/Wittpenn Bridge between Jersey City and Kearny is scheduled to have a temporary 15-minute closure from 9 a.m. until 7 p.m. Sunday, April 16 to test gates and other safety equipment on the lift span.

The Route 7/Wittpenn Bridge over the Hackensack River project replaced the existing bridge with a new, wider vertical lift bridge. The new bridge doubles the vertical clearance over Hackensack River from 35-feet to 70-feet, resulting in fewer openings and less congestion.

Construction of the new bridge is being accomplished in [five separate contracts](#). The first three contracts have been completed and included advance utility work, and building the Fish House Road Pump Station, roadway embankments, river piers, fender system and a portion of the approach spans for the new vertical lift bridge. The fourth and fifth contracts are nearing completion.

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