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## Essex Street to be closed for railroad crossing repairs this week in Hackensack, Bergen County Detours near Hackensack University Medical Center during construction

**(Trenton)** – Essex Street is scheduled to be closed and detoured this week between First Street/Polifly Road and State Street near the Hackensack Medical Center in Hackensack, Bergen County.

Beginning at 9 a.m. tomorrow, Tuesday, April 25, until 9 a.m., Tuesday, May 2, Essex Street will be closed in both directions between First Street/Polifly Road and State Street to remove the existing railroad crossing. This closure will allow NJ TRANSIT to reconstruct the crossing and approaches. Access will be maintained for local traffic. The following detours will be in place:

## **Essex Street eastbound detour:**

- Motorists on Essex Street eastbound will be directed to turn left onto First Street
- Turn right onto Central Avenue
- Turn right onto State Street back to Essex Street

## **Essex Street westbound detour:**

- Motorists on Essex Street westbound will be directed to turn right onto State Street
- Turn left onto Central Avenue
- Turn left onto First Street back to Essex Street

In order to provide safer and smoother railroad crossing, the existing crossing will be replaced with new concrete crossings and asphalt approaches. This federally-funded project is included within NJDOT's railroad grade-crossing safety program which repairs, upgrades, or removes approximately 50 crossings each year, statewide.

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 and on the NJDOT Facebook page.