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I-287 northbound ramp to I-78 eastbound to be closed tomorrow as a bridge replacement project advances in Somerset County In addition, I-78 eastbound lane closures required to pour bridge deck

(Trenton) – The I-287 northbound ramp to I-78 eastbound is scheduled to be closed and detoured tomorrow as the Bridges over Route 202/206 and Washington Valley Road project advances in Bridgewater and Bedminster, Somerset County. In addition, two lanes on I-78 eastbound are scheduled to be closed just before the I-287 interchange to the bridge over Washington Valley Road.

Beginning at 9 a.m. tomorrow, Friday, May 5, until 6 a.m. Monday, May 8, the I-287 northbound ramp to I-78 eastbound will be closed and detoured. Motorists will be directed to use Exit 26B to I-287 southbound and take Exit 21A to I-78 eastbound.

In addition, beginning at 9 a.m. tomorrow, Friday, May 5, until 12 p.m. Sunday, May, 7, the two right lanes on I-78 eastbound will be closed from just before the I-287 interchange to the Bridge over Washington Valley Road, with traffic shifted to the left onto the temporary roadway. The closures are required to pour concrete deck. By 12 p.m. Sunday, May 7, one right lane will reopen. By 6 a.m. Monday, May 8, all lanes will reopen with traffic shifted back to its original configuration. Motorists are advised to slow down, use caution and expect delays or plan an alternate route.

The \$27.9 million federally funded project will replace both eastbound and westbound bridge decks over Route 202/Route 206 and Washington Valley Road, which are in poor condition. In addition, the existing guiderail will be brought up to current standards. The project was designed to advance in stages to minimize impact on motorists, beginning with the eastbound bridges. Construction of all bridges is expected to be completed by the end of 2025.

Motorists are encouraged to check NJDOT's traffic information website www.511nj.org for construction updates and real-time travel information and for NJDOT news follow us on Twitter @NewJerseyDOT and our Facebook page.