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Berkshire Valley Road closed tonight between Route 15 northbound and southbound in Jefferson Traffic in both directions to be shifted to create new work zone

(Trenton) – New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) officials today announced Berkshire Valley Road between Route 15 northbound and southbound will be closed and detoured tonight in both directions in Jefferson, Morris County.

Beginning at 8 p.m. tonight, Friday, March 8 until 5 a.m. tomorrow, Saturday, March 9, Berkshire Valley Road will be closed and detoured in both directions between Route 15 northbound and southbound. The Route 15 ramps to and from Berkshire Valley Road will remain open. The closure is necessary to shift traffic onto the newly completed westbound side of Berkshire Valley Road and create a work zone on the eastbound side of the roadway for curb and sidewalk repair. This traffic pattern is expected to remain in place through summer 2024. The following detour will be in place tonight:

Berkshire Valley Road westbound detour:

- Traffic on Berkshire Valley Road westbound wishing to cross Route 15 or take Route 15 southbound will be directed to turn right onto Route 15 northbound
- Turn left onto Taylor Road
- Turn left onto Route 15 southbound
- Take the ramp onto Berkshire Valley Road westbound

Berkshire Valley Road eastbound detour:

- Traffic on Berkshire Valley Road eastbound wishing to cross Route 15 or take Route 15 northbound will be directed to turn right onto Route 15 southbound
- Stay right to take the Hawk Drive exit
- Stay left to take Hawk Drive southbound
- Turn left onto Route 15 northbound
- Take the ramp onto Berkshire Valley Road eastbound

The work is part of an \$8 million federally-funded project to enhance safety and improve the operation of the signalized intersection of Route 15 and Berkshire Valley Road in Jefferson Township. Improvements include adding a second left turn lane from Berkshire Valley Road southbound to Route 15 southbound, as well as widening and extending the Route 15 northbound through lane. The traffic signals will be replaced, ADA-compliant sidewalks will be constructed, and upgrades will be made to drainage and guiderail. The project is expected to be complete in spring 2025.

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 construction updates and real-time travel information. For NJDOT news follow us on Twitter <a href="https://www.serseybot.com/w

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