



NJDOT TRAFFIC ADVISORY

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I-80 eastbound lane and shoulder closed tomorrow as inlet repair project begins in Mount Olive, Morris County **At least two lanes will be maintained**

(Trenton) – The I-80 eastbound right lane and shoulder are scheduled to be closed tomorrow just past the I-80 eastbound Bridge over Route 46 eastbound as an inlet rehabilitation project begins in Mount Olive, Morris County.

From 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 19, the right lane and shoulder on I-80 eastbound are scheduled to be closed east of the I-80 eastbound Bridge over Route 46 eastbound. At least two lanes will be maintained on I-80 eastbound. The closures are necessary to place construction barrier and create a work zone in the right shoulder.

By 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 19, the right lane will be reopened, and the right shoulder will remain closed on I-80 eastbound. The shoulder closure is necessary to repair the drainage inlet and is expected to remain for several weeks. Motorists are advised to slow down, use caution, and expect delays or plan an alternate route.

The \$13.1 million state-funded project will clean and rehabilitate stormwater facilities in various locations across Bergen, Essex, Hudson, Morris, Passaic, Sussex, Union, and Warren counties.

Variable Message Signs will provide advance notification to motorists of traffic pattern changes associated with the work. The precise timing of the work is subject to change due to weather or other factors.

NJDOT Pothole Campaign

NJDOT's 2024 Pothole Campaign began on March 4. [Watch a safety message from Acting Commissioner Fran O'Connor](#) about how NJDOT repairs potholes to keep our roads safe and in a state of good repair.

To repair potholes in the most aggressive and efficient manner during the Pothole Campaign, the Department will be allowing crews throughout the state to close travel lanes where necessary during daytime hours. When possible, crews will limit their daytime work hours from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and will try to avoid working in travel lanes carrying traffic during peak times.

It is important to **slow down in work zones** so NJDOT crews can safely make repairs. [New Jersey's Move Over law](#) requires motorists to move over, if it is safe to do so, when approaching an emergency or service vehicle stopped on the side of the road. If you cannot safely MOVE OVER, PLEASE SLOW DOWN.

In addition to our crews monitoring and reporting potholes that need repair on state highways, we encourage motorists to report potholes as well. Motorists may call **1-800-POTHOLE** or go online to [report potholes](#) on state roads using a new mapping feature to help identify the exact location of the pothole.

To report potholes on county roads, [contact the appropriate jurisdiction](#). The Department responds as quickly as possible, especially to reports of potholes that create safety concerns based on their size and location.

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 X (Twitter) [@NewJerseyDOT](#) and on the [NJDOT Facebook page](#).

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