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I-80 eastbound daily right lane closures beginning Monday in Hardwick and Knowlton, Warren County Closures necessary for the next several months to repair retaining wall

(Trenton) – I-80 eastbound is scheduled to have daily right lane closures beginning on Monday, April 1, in Hardwick and Knowlton, Warren County.

From 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday, April 1 and continuing daily Monday through Friday at the same times until summer 2024, the right lane on I-80 eastbound is scheduled to be closed from milepost 0.5 after the exit ramp to River Road in Hardwick to mile post 1.5 before the Weigh Station/U-turn in Knowlton. The closures are necessary to repair the retaining wall. One lane will remain open while the work is taking place. If work is completed early, the lane will reopen sooner.

Motorists are advised to slow down and use caution when driving through the work zone. 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, <u>contact the appropriate jurisdiction</u>. 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 construction updates and real-time travel information. For NJDOT news follow us on X (Twitter) @NewJerseyDOT and our Facebook page.