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Route 9 closure in both directions to remain in place through February in Lower Township, Cape May County Closure necessary to repair collapsed drainage pipe

(Trenton) – Route 9 is scheduled to remain closed and detoured in both directions near Gerrit Boulevard at mile post 3.2 for approximately one month, as a maintenance stormwater facilities restoration project advances in Lower Township, Cape May County. The closure was originally scheduled to end in early January but was extended after a drainage pipe collapsed underneath the roadway within the project limits.

Route 9 /Sandman Boulevard northbound and Route 9/Shore Road southbound were closed and detoured at mile post 3.2 on December 9. The closures are necessary to restore stormwater facilities, improving drainage and mitigating future flooding events. The following detours are expected to remain in place through February:

Route 9 northbound/Sandman Boulevard Detour:

- Motorists on Route 9 northbound will be directed to turn left onto Seashore Road
- Turn right onto Tabernacle Road, back to Route 9

Route 9 southbound/Shore Road Detour:

- Motorists on Route 9 southbound/Shore Road will be directed to turn right onto Tabernacle Road
- Turn left onto Seashore Road, back to Route 9

This work is part of the \$7.7 million state-funded maintenance project that will make repairs and restore stormwater facilities in various locations across Atlantic, Burlington, Camden, Cape May, Cumberland, Gloucester and Salem counties.

Variable messaging signs are being utilized to provide advance notification to the motoring public of all traffic pattern changes associated with the work. 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 X (Twitter) @NewJerseyDOT, the NJDOT Facebook page, or on Instagram @NewJersey.DOT.