



NJDOT TRAFFIC ADVISORY

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I-78 westbound Express lanes to be closed Friday night, January 17 for bridge work in Newark Traffic will be directed to use I-78 westbound Local lanes

(Trenton) – The I-78 westbound Express lanes and several ramps are scheduled to be closed Friday night as repairs to the Bergen Street Bridge over I-78 advance in Newark, Essex County. This is continuation of work that has been taking place the last few weekends.

Beginning at 10 p.m. tomorrow, Friday, January 17, until 6 a.m. Saturday, January 18, the I-78 westbound Express lanes are scheduled to be closed beginning at the NJ Turnpike Toll Plaza with all traffic directed to the Local lanes. The closures are necessary to continue repairs to the Bergen Street Bridge over I-78, which was struck by a truck in September 2024. Traffic from the following ramps will be directed to use I-78 westbound Local lanes:

- Route 1&9 southbound to I-78 westbound
- Port Street to I-78 westbound
- Runyon Street to I-78 westbound

The work is part of an \$11 million state-funded maintenance project to repair bridges in 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.

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](https://twitter.com/NewJerseyDOT), the [NJDOT Facebook page](https://www.facebook.com/njdot), and on Instagram [@newjersey.dot](https://www.instagram.com/newjersey.dot).

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