



NJDOT TRAFFIC ADVISORY

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Route 42 northbound and I-295 southbound/Al-Jo's Curve lane closures this week for traffic shift in Bellmawr, Camden County I-76 eastbound Exit 1A to be closed Thursday night

(Trenton) – A series of lane closures are planned this week on Route 42 northbound, the I-295 southbound ramp to Route 42 southbound and I-295 southbound, also known as Al-Jo's Curve, and I-76 eastbound Exit 1A in order to shift traffic onto a new ramp as the Direct Connection project advances in Bellmawr, Camden County. **All work is weather sensitive and subject to change depending on overnight weather conditions.**

Tonight, Monday, April 7

Beginning at 9 p.m. tonight, Monday, April 7 until 5 a.m. Tuesday, April 8, the right lane on Route 42 northbound is scheduled to be closed after Exit 14B/Benigo Boulevard to repair a damaged drum array. Motorists are advised to use caution, slow down and move over if possible.

Tuesday, April 8 and Wednesday, April 9

Beginning at 9 p.m. tomorrow, Tuesday, April 8 until 5 a.m. Wednesday, April 9, and again Wednesday, April 9 at the same time, the right lane on I-295 southbound ramp to Route 42 southbound and I-295 southbound, also known as Al-Jo's Curve, is scheduled to be closed. The ramps to I-295 southbound and Route 42 southbound will remain open. The closure is necessary to prepare for an upcoming traffic shift. Motorists are advised to use caution, slow down and expect delays.

Thursday, April 10

Beginning at 10 p.m. Thursday, April 10 until 6 a.m., Friday, April 11, the left lane on I-76 eastbound before the Browning Road Bridge and the I-76 eastbound Exit 1A ramp to I-295 southbound are scheduled to be closed. The closures are necessary for an upcoming traffic shift. The following detour will be in place:

I-76 eastbound Exit 1A ramp to I-295 southbound Detour:

- Motorists traveling on I-76 eastbound to I-295 southbound will be directed to take Exit 1B to I-295 northbound, *which is before Exit 1A*
- Take Exit 28/Route 168
- Turn left at the end of the ramp onto Route 168
- Take the ramp to I-295 southbound

Friday, April 11

Beginning at 10 p.m. Friday, April 11 until 6 a.m. Saturday, April 12, the I-295 southbound ramp to Route 42 southbound and I-295 southbound, also known as Al-Jo's Curve, is scheduled to be closed and detoured. The right lane on I-295 southbound also will be closed just after Exit 28/Route 168. The closures are necessary to shift traffic onto a new ramp. All motorists traveling on I-295 southbound will be directed to stay left onto Exit 26. The following detour will be in place:

I-295 southbound to Route 42 southbound/I-295 southbound Detour:

- Motorists traveling on I-295 southbound wishing to continue onto Route 42 southbound will be directed to exit left at Exit 26/I-76 westbound
- Take I-76 westbound to Exit 2/I-676 northbound
- Take I-676 northbound to Exit 1/Collings Avenue
- Turn right onto Collings Avenue
- Turn left onto I-676 southbound, which becomes I-76 eastbound
- Take I-76 eastbound to Exit 1A/I-295 southbound

By 6 a.m. Saturday, April 12, traffic using the I-295 southbound ramp to Route 42 southbound and I-295 southbound, also known as Al-Jo's Curve will be shifted onto a new ramp to I-295 southbound. The two right lanes will continue onto I-295 southbound, and the left lane will follow the current configuration and go to Route 42 southbound.

The work is part of the Direct Connection project that will provide a seamless route for I-295 motorists traveling through the interchange of I-295, I-76, and Route 42. To sign up for I-295 Direct Connect project updates go to 295DirectConnect.com or text CONNECT to 1-844-844-3681.

Portable variable message signs are being used to provide advance notification 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), on the [NJDOT Facebook page](https://www.facebook.com/NJDOT), or Instagram [@NewJersey.DOT](https://www.instagram.com/NewJersey.DOT).

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