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Route 7 lane closures in both directions with alternating traffic tonight for drainage project in Kearny Traffic to be shifted for gas main installation

(Trenton) – Route 7 is scheduled to have lane closures with alternating traffic to set up a lane shift tonight for gas main installation in two different sections as a Route 7 Drainage Improvement project advances in Kearny, Hudson County.

Beginning at 9 p.m. tonight, Friday, May 16 until 6 a.m. tomorrow, Saturday, May 17, Route 7 will have lane closures in both directions with alternating traffic to allow for the implementation of a new traffic pattern. Route 7 southbound will be shifted to the right shoulder for approximately 1,300 feet starting near the railroad underpass to the exit from Route 7 southbound to CR 508.

In addition, at the same time, Route 7 traffic in both directions will be shifted toward the northbound side of the road for about a mile between the New Jersey Turnpike underpass and the railroad underpass. Northbound traffic will be shifted to the right shoulder and southbound traffic will use the northbound lane.

These traffic shifts are necessary to allow gas main installation on the southbound side of the road.

The work is part of the \$96 million federally funded Route 7 Kearny Drainage Improvements project that will address existing drainage deficiencies and mitigate flooding issues by raising the roadway profile where practical. In addition, a new drainage network will be installed including pipes, inlet structures, new outfalls, flood walls, and constructing three pump stations.

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 [@NewJerseyDOT](https://www.instagram.com/NewJerseyDOT).

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