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Route 18 southbound lane closures tonight in East Brunswick, Middlesex County Long-term lane closure to install drainage and repair curb and sidewalk

(Trenton) – Route 18 southbound is scheduled to have lane closures between Edgeboro Road and Tices Lane beginning tonight in East Brunswick, Middlesex County. In the event of inclement weather, work will take place the following night.

Beginning at 9 p.m. tonight, Friday, May 16 until 6 a.m. tomorrow, Saturday, May 17, the right and center lanes on Route 18 southbound are scheduled to be closed from Edgeboro Road to Tices Lane. The lane closures are necessary to place construction barrels to implement a long-term right lane closure. At least one lane will be maintained overnight.

By 6 a.m. Saturday, May 17, the center lane will be reopened, and the right lane will remain closed. The right lane closure is necessary to improve drainage and repair curb and sidewalk. The closure is expected to remain in place through fall 2025. Access to side streets and at least one driveway to local businesses is expected to be maintained. If a closure of a side street or driveway is necessary, motorists are advised to follow the posted detour. Slow down, use caution and expect delays when driving through the work zone.

This work is part of the \$86.1 million federally funded Route 18, East Brunswick, Drainage and Pavement Rehabilitation project that will make repairs on approximately four and a half miles of Route 18 in East Brunswick, Middlesex County. Work includes milling and paving, improvements to the drainage systems and storm water basins, utility relocation, installation of new sidewalks and ADA-compliant curb ramps and upgrading guiderail. Improvements will also be made to various intersections throughout the project limits. The project is expected to be completed in late 2027.

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 construction updates and real-time travel information and for NJDOT news follow us on X (Twitter) @NewJerseyDOT, on the NJDOT Facebook page, or Instagram @NewJersey.DOT.