

## For Immediate Release:

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## I-295 northbound and Route 42 northbound Exit 1B ramp to I-295 northbound to be closed tonight for Direct Connection Signed detour will be in place overnight

**(Trenton)** - New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) officials today announced an overnight closure of I-295 northbound and the Route 42 northbound Exit 1B ramp to I-295 northbound as the Direct Connection project advances in Bellmawr, Camden County.

Beginning at 10 p.m., tonight, Friday, October 23, until 5 a.m., Saturday, October 24, NJDOT's contractor, South State, Inc., will close and detour I-295 northbound with all traffic being directed to Exit 26, and the Route 42 northbound Exit 1B ramp to I-295 northbound also will be closed and detoured for concrete work. The following detour will be in place:

## I-295 north and Route 42 north Exit 1B ramp to I-295 north detour:

- Motorists traveling on <u>I-295 northbound</u> will be directed to stay left and use Exit 26 to I-76 westbound
- Motorists traveling on <u>Route 42 northbound</u> wishing to take Exit 1B to I-295 northbound will be directed to continue on Route 42 northbound to I-76 westbound
- All traffic will 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 1B/I-295 northbound

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. The Direct Connection project has been divided into four separate construction contracts, with completion of the fourth and final contract expected in the fall of 2024. NJDOT's project website provides construction activity schedules and updates.

Portable variable message signs are being utilized to provide advance notification to the 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 <a href="www.511nj.org">www.511nj.org</a> for real-time travel information and for NJDOT news follow us on Twitter <a href="www.511nj.org">@NJDOT info</a>.