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Route 42 northbound lane closures tonight as Missing Moves project advances in Gloucester and Camden counties Benigno Avenue ramps to be closed overnight

(Trenton) – New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) officials today announced lane closures on Route 42 northbound tonight to implement a traffic shift and establish a median work zone, as the I-295/Route 42 Missing Moves project advances in Bellmawr and Runnemede, Camden County.

Beginning at 9 p.m. tonight, Thursday, August 18, until 6 a.m. tomorrow, Friday, August 19, NJDOT's contractor, South State Inc., is scheduled to close two lanes on Route 42 northbound between the Rout 55 interchange in Deptford and Creek Road/CR 753 in Bellmawr. In addition, the Route 42 northbound Exit 14 ramps to and from Benigno Avenue will be closed and detoured at the same time. The lane and ramp closures are necessary to implement a traffic shift on Route 42. At least two lanes of traffic will be maintained overnight. By 6 a.m. Friday, Route 42 northbound will be shifted onto the right shoulder to allow for construction in the median. The following detours will be in place overnight:

Route 42 northbound ramp to Benigno Avenue

- Motorists on Route 42 northbound wishing to take the Exit 14 ramp to CR 753/Creek Road/Bellmawr will be directed to continue on Route 42 northbound
- Take Exit 1B to I-295 northbound/Trenton
- Take Exit 28 to Route 168
- Stay right to merge onto Route 168/North Black Horse Pike southbound
- Turn right onto Benigno Boulevard, which becomes Benigno Avenue

Benigno Avenue ramp to Route 42 northbound

- Motorists on Benigno Avenue wishing to take the ramp to Route 42 northbound will be directed to Route 168/North Black Horse Pike southbound
- Turn right onto Route 41/West Clements Bridge Road southbound
- Stay right to take the ramp to CR 544 westbound to Route 42 northbound/Woodbury/Camden
- Take the ramp to Route 42 northbound/Camden/Philadelphia

The \$180 million federally-funded project will build new ramps connecting Route 42 northbound to I-295 southbound, and I-295 northbound to Route 42 southbound in order to

allow for the direct movement of traffic between the two roadways. These are commonly known as the "missing moves." The project will also include the demolition and reconstruction of the Creek Road Bridge over I-295 between Route 42 and Almonesson Road. The majority of the project will be built off of the roadways and will have minimal impact on traffic on Route 42 and I-295. The project is expected to be completed in late 2023.

Variable Message 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 Twitter @NewJerseyDOT and our Facebook page.

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