



# NJDOT TRAFFIC ADVISORY

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## **Route 7 eastbound lane and ramp from Fish House Road northbound to be closed and detoured Saturday** **Closure necessary for painting bridge tower**

**(Trenton)** – The Fish House Road northbound ramp to Route 7 eastbound and the right lane on Route 7 eastbound across the Wittpenn Bridge is scheduled to be closed and detoured tomorrow, Saturday, September 24, from 6 a.m. until 6 p.m. in Kearny, Hudson County.

The closures are necessary to paint the bridge tower on the west side of the bridge and complete other work in the area. The following detour will be in place:

### **Fish House Road northbound to Route 7 eastbound detour**

- Motorists on Fish House Road wishing to access Route 7 eastbound will be directed to stay right and continue onto Route 7 westbound
- Bear left onto CR 508 westbound, Newark/Jersey City Turnpike by following signs for Harrison/Newark/I-280/NJ Turnpike
- Take the first exit ramp on the right to Route 7 eastbound/Routes 1&9 Jersey City
- Continue onto Route 7 eastbound

### **About the Project**

The Route 7/Wittpenn Bridge over the Hackensack River project replaced the existing bridge with a new, wider vertical lift bridge. The new bridge doubles the vertical clearance over Hackensack River from 35-feet to 70-feet, resulting in fewer openings and less congestion.

Construction of the new bridge is being accomplished in [five separate contracts](#). The first three contracts have been completed and included advance utility work, and building the Fish House Road Pump Station, roadway embankments, river piers, fender system and a portion of the approach spans for the new vertical lift bridge. The fourth and fifth contracts are nearing completion. The Newark Avenue ramp in Jersey City, the last major element of the project, is under construction.

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