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## Main Street/CR 577 lane closures tonight to restore Bridge over I-78 to final configuration in Springfield, Union County I-78 overnight lane closures begin next week

**(Trenton)** – New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) officials today announced lane closures on Main Street/CR 577 tonight as the bridge deck replacement over I-78 project advances in Springfield, Union County.

## Main Street/CR 577 Lane Closures

Beginning at 8 p.m., tonight, Friday, January 27, until 6 a.m., Saturday, January 29, NJDOT's contractor, Kyle Conti Construction, is scheduled to close one lane on Main Street/CR 577 between Springfield Avenue and Bleeker Street with alternating traffic. The closure is necessary to restripe the bridge and remove construction barrier.

By Saturday morning, traffic will be shifted into the final configuration with one lane of traffic on each side of the completed bridge. In addition, the newly reconstructed sidewalk on the east side of the bridge will reopen, providing sidewalks on both sides of the bridge.

## I-78 Lane Closures

Beginning at 8 p.m. Monday, January 30 until 5 a.m. the next day, and continuing nightly Monday through Friday at the same times, one lane on I-78 westbound will be closed. At least two lanes will be maintained overnight. The closures are necessary to remove shielding and install conduit under the bridge. Once the conduit installation is completed over the westbound lanes, work will continue with overnight lane closures on I-78 eastbound. This work is expected to take a few weeks to complete. In the spring, final milling and paving will be completed on Main Street/CR 577.

The \$8.2 million Main Street/CR 577 Bridge over I-78 project will replace the existing bridge deck, which is in poor condition. The project is being constructed in stages to minimize impact to traffic. In addition to replacing the bridge deck, the project will demolish and reconstruct the north and south abutments, relocate utility poles, and install new overhead sign structures. The project is expected to be completed by spring 2023.

Variable Message Signs are being used to provide advance notification of all traffic pattern changes associated with the bridge project. 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> or on the <a href="NJDOT Facebook page">NJDOT Facebook page</a>.