



# NJDOT TRAFFIC ADVISORY

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## **Route 173 shoulder closures beginning Monday as pavement project begins in Hunterdon County Closures necessary for concrete curb and inlet work**

**(Trenton)** – Shoulder closures on Route 173 are scheduled to begin next week as a pavement project begins in Bloomsbury and Bethlehem, Hunterdon County.

From 7 a.m. until 3 p.m. Monday, April 3, and continuing daily Monday through Friday at the same time for approximately two weeks, the right shoulder on Route 173 eastbound will be closed just before Tunnel Road/Brunswick Pike in Bethlehem until the I-78/Route 22 interchange in Bloomsbury for concrete curb and inlet work. When the eastbound side is complete, work will move to the westbound side. At least one lane of traffic will be maintained on Route 173 in both directions during construction. Motorists are advised to slow down, use caution, and expected delays.

This is the first of three sections on Route 173 requiring shoulder closures for curb and inlet work in both directions. Once work is completed in this section, the right shoulder on Route 173 will be closed between Fox Hill Lane in Bethlehem and the driveway to the Edna Mahan Correctional Facility in Union Township, Hunterdon County. The third section will affect Route 173 between I-78 Exit 16 in Union Township and Center Street in Clinton, Hunterdon County. Shoulder closures in each of the three sections are expected to remain in place for approximately two weeks. After curb and inlet work is complete, paving is expected to begin and will be done overnight.

The work is part of a \$9 million state-funded project that will perform maintenance and paving work on Route 173 in various locations in Hunterdon, Middlesex, and Somerset counties.

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](http://www.511nj.org) for construction updates and real-time travel information. For NJDOT news follow us on Twitter [@NewJerseyDOT](https://twitter.com/NewJerseyDOT) and our [Facebook page](#).

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