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I-80 lane closures tonight as bridge replacement project begins in Mount Arlington, Morris County Closures necessary to implement a traffic shift

(Trenton) – I-80 is scheduled to have lane closures in both directions tonight on the Bridges over Howard Boulevard as a bridge replacement project begins in Mount Arlington, Morris County.

Beginning at 9 p.m. tonight, Friday, November 17, until 10 a.m. tomorrow, Saturday, November 18, the left and center lanes on I-80 eastbound and westbound are scheduled to be closed over Howard Boulevard. The closures are necessary to implement a traffic shift and create a median work zone. A temporary bridge will be constructed between the existing eastbound and westbound bridges to maintain three lanes of traffic in each direction throughout construction. By Saturday morning, there will be three lanes in each direction with traffic shifted to the right. At least one lane will be maintained overnight.

The \$65.4 million federally funded project will replace the existing bridges carrying I-80 eastbound and I-80 westbound over Howard Boulevard/CR 516, which are in poor condition. Improvements will include raising the vertical clearance of each bridge, widening the shoulders, lengthening acceleration and deceleration lanes on I-80, and widening the ramps to and from Howard Boulevard. The Howard Boulevard intersection will be reconfigured to improve operational performance.

The project will also include upgraded traffic signals and lighting, and ADA-compliant sidewalks and crosswalks. Sidewalks will be extended to the Mount Arlington Train Station for improved pedestrian and bicycle safety and mobility. The project is expected to be complete in summer 2027.

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. For NJDOT news follow us on X (Twitter) @NewJerseyDOT and our Facebook page.