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Route 9 daytime shoulder closures beginning today and continuing for the next several weeks in Monmouth County Overnight lane closures for roadway repairs to begin later in the fall

(Trenton) – Route 9 is scheduled to have daytime shoulder closures in both directions beginning today and continuing over the next several weeks as a pavement preservation project begins in Manalapan, Freehold, and Howell, Monmouth County.

From 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. today, Wednesday, October 16 and continuing Monday through Friday for the next several weeks, Route 9 is scheduled to have shoulder closures in both directions between Symms Drive/Ryan Road in Manalapan and I-195 in Howell. The closures are necessary for curb, sidewalk, and inlet repairs. Work is scheduled to begin on Route 9 southbound in Manalapan and progress south to I-195 in Howell and then continue on Route 9 northbound. Motorists are advised to slow down, use caution, and expect delays when driving through the work zone.

Milling and paving of ramps and side roads is expected to begin upon completion of the curb and sidewalk repairs and drainage inlet improvements. In addition, lane closures on Route 9 are expected later this fall for roadway repairs to the mainline. Paving work and roadway repairs are scheduled to take place overnight, from 8 p.m. until 6 a.m. the next day, Monday through Thursday nights, and 8 p.m. Friday nights until 8 a.m. Saturday. In the event of a ramp closure, motorists are advised to follow the signed detours. Milling and paving of Route 9 mainline is expected to begin next summer.

The work is part of a \$9.2 million federally funded pavement project that will mill and pave approximately 10 miles of Route 9 and most ramps between Symms Drive/Ryan Road in Manalapan through Freehold Boro and Freehold Township to I-195 in Howell, Monmouth County. In addition to milling and paving the roadway and ramps, the project will repair curbs and sidewalks and make drainage upgrades within the project limits. This project is expected to be completed by summer 2026.

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 <u>www.511nj.org</u> for construction updates and real-time travel information. For NJDOT news, follow us on X (Twitter) <u>@NewJerseyDOT</u>, the <u>NJDOT Facebook page</u>, or on Instagram <u>@NewJersey.DOT</u>.

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