



NJDOT TRAFFIC ADVISORY

County Route 527 Bridge over the D&R Canal in South Bound Brook to be closed for emergency repairs Traffic to be detoured while structural repairs are made

(Trenton) – New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) officials today announced the closure of the County Route 527 Queens Bridge that crosses the Delaware & Raritan Canal in South Bound Brook for emergency repairs.

Beginning at 9 p.m. Friday, September 8, NJDOT's contractor Mount Construction, will close the County Route 527 bridges over the D&R Canal and Raritan River to make repairs to the superstructure. Work began last week using boats, to avoid affecting traffic. The bridge is expected to be closed for approximately two months as the repairs are made. The following detour will be in place:

CR527/Main Street northbound detour:

- Traffic on CR527/Main Street in South Bound Brook will be directed to turn left onto Canal Road
- Turn left onto I-287 north to Exit 13A for Route 28 east/Bound Brook
- Follow Route 28 east to CR 527/Mountain Avenue

CR527/Main Street southbound detour:

- Traffic on CR527/Main Street and Lincoln Boulevard in Bound Brook will be directed to turn north on CR 527/Mountain Avenue
- Turn left onto Route 28 west to I-287 south to Exit 12 for Canal Road
- Turn right onto Canal Road east to CR 527/Main Street in South Bound Brook

CR 527 carries traffic between South Bound Brook and Bound Brook over two separate bridges – one, known as the Queens Bridge that spans the D&R Canal, and the other the crosses the Raritan River. The bridges have one lane in each direction.

Only the bridge over the canal, which is approximately 90 feet in length, needs to be repaired. The main span over the Raritan River will be used to stage equipment while construction is taking place on the Queens Bridge. Recent inspections of the 97-year-old Bridge found the rate of deterioration of structural members has advanced, requiring immediate repair.

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 and for NJDOT news follow us on Twitter [@NJDOT_info](https://twitter.com/NJDOT_info). ##