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TRAVEL ADVISORY: Nighttime Lane Closures to Begin on Nassau Expressway and Rockaway Turnpike in Inwood, Nassau County

Beginning Wednesday night, September 5th, motorists should expect overnight lane closures on both northbound and southbound Nassau Expressway between Rockaway Turnpike and Burnside Avenue. In addition, lane closures will take place on northbound and southbound Rockaway Turnpike between Nassau Expressway and Peninsula Boulevard as well as on eastbound and westbound Burnside Avenue between Henry Street and West End Avenue. These lane closures will continue on Thursday and Friday nights, September 6th and 7th. All closures will be from 9:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m.

These nighttime lane closures are necessary to re-stripe the roadways in preparation for traffic shifts and detours along Nassau Expressway and Rockaway Turnpike. During construction, two lanes of traffic will be maintained in each direction on Nassau Expressway and three lanes of traffic in each direction on Rockaway Turnpike.

This is part of the \$93.5 million New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) project to improve the safety and operation of the Nassau Expressway between Rockaway Turnpike and Burnside Avenue, as well as improve the resiliency of the roadway as an Emergency Coastal Storm Evacuation Route.

Motorists are reminded to drive carefully through the work zone, obey any speed restrictions that may be in place and follow the instructions of flag persons for their safety and the safety of the highway work crew.

Recently, NYSDOT and the Governor's Traffic Safety Committee unveiled a new public service announcement and social media campaign focused on the importance of respecting flagging personnel. This year's work zone safety campaign, "Flaggers have families too," is designed to remind motorists that flagging personnel are not attempting to disrupt traffic – they are simply doing their jobs and want to get home safely at the end of each work day. The PSA can be viewed [here](#) and [here](#).

For real-time travel information, motorists should call 511 or visit www.511NY.org or the mobile site at m.511ny.org, New York State's official traffic and travel information source.

NYSDOT appreciates the patience and cooperation of motorists and the local community while this project to improve safety and resiliency along the Nassau Expressway is undertaken to help assure the continued protection of all motorists.

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