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## **Second Phase of Major Bridge Deck Project Nears Completion** *Concrete Jersey Barrier Removal on Delaware Bound Span Require Nighttime Lane Closures*

**NEW CASTLE, Del.** – Today, Delaware River and Bay Authority (DRBA) officials announced that its contractor, UHPC Solutions North America LLC of Orange, New Jersey will begin the process to remove the concrete Jersey Barriers on the Delaware-bound Span. This stage of the demobilization effort includes the closure of the Bypass Lane and removal of these concrete barriers.

### **Delaware Bound Span of Delaware Memorial Bridge**

Monday, May 22, - Wednesday, May 24, 2023: The three (3) left lanes will be closed from 10:00 p.m. – 6:00 a.m. daily to remove the concrete Jersey Barriers that established the Bypass Lane. During this process, only the right lane will be open to traffic.

### **New Jersey Bound Span of Delaware Memorial Bridge**

Monday, May 22, - Wednesday, May 24, 2023: The left lane remains closed throughout the period. A second lane will be closed from 9:00A to 3:00P for line stripping and concrete finishing work.

The second phase of the major construction project to rehabilitate the bridge deck (driving surface) of the New Jersey-bound Span is coming to a close and all eight (8) lanes of the Delaware Memorial Bridge are expected to reopen by Thursday, May 25, 2023.

“I’m pleased to report that our contractor is on track to successfully complete the second phase of the major bridge deck project on the New Jersey-bound Span in time for the busy Memorial Day weekend travel period,” said DRBA Chief Engineer David Hoppenjans. “With every construction project at the Delaware Memorial Bridge, our goal is to complete the necessary work safely while making sure traffic impacts to our customers are kept to a minimum. We want to thank our customers for their patience and understanding as we continue to rebuild the bridge deck.”

With the conclusion of this phase, Hoppenjans noted that the three quarters of the New Jersey-bound span is now fully rebuilt. The last phase, which is expected to begin after Labor Day, will focus on the right two lanes from the midpoint of the bridge to the New Jersey side of the structure.

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**About the Delaware River and Bay Authority**

The DRBA, a bi-state governmental agency created by Compact in 1962, owns and operates the Delaware Memorial Bridge, the Cape May- Lewes Ferry, and the Forts Ferry Crossing. The DRBA also manages corporate and aviation properties through its economic development powers - two airports in New Jersey (Millville Airport and Cape May Airport) and three in Delaware (New Castle Airport, Civil Air Terminal and Delaware Airpark). All DRBA operating revenues are generated through the bridge, ferry and airport facilities. For more information, visit [www.drba.net](http://www.drba.net).