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### Special Traffic Advisory: Three Traffic Lanes Closed From Fingerboard Bridge Overpass to Verrazano-Narrows Brooklyn-bound Toll Plaza Sat., Jan. 28th Between 12:01 AM And 7 AM

#### ***Wide-load Trucks Will Be Barred Eastbound From 11 p.m. To 8 a.m.***

***On Saturday, Jan. 28th between 12:01 a.m. and 7 a.m.*** three out of four lanes of traffic on the Staten Island Expressway will be closed from the Fingerboard Bridge overpass to the Verrazano-Narrows Brooklyn-bound toll plaza while a new traffic pattern is put in place.

While the work is done, wide-load vehicles traveling eastbound into Brooklyn will be barred from crossing the Verrazano-Narrows Bridge and should seek an alternate route. This restriction will be in place beginning ***11 p.m. Friday, Jan. 27th through 8 a.m., Saturday, Jan. 28th.***

This work is weather dependent and in the event of rain or snow may be rescheduled to Sunday, Jan. 29th between 12:01 a.m. and 7 a.m. ***Motorists should expect delays and leave extra travel time.***

The new traffic pattern is being put in place as part of the \$50 million, 45-month Verrazano-Narrows toll plaza improvement project, which includes removing the last three unused Brooklyn-bound toll booths.

Once the lanes are re-stripped, traffic will be shifted to the right before the toll plaza and continue right past the work zone where the toll booth removal work will be done. Just past the toll booths motorists will be able to access both levels of the bridge.

Electronic and fixed signs will be in place both before the toll plaza and along the Staten Island Expressway to make motorists aware of the new traffic pattern, which will remain in place while the toll booth removal and other rehabilitation work is being done.