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Throgs Neck Bridge Lanes Closed Overnight For Seven Weekends

Up to two of three Queensbound lanes at the Throgs Neck Bridge will be closed during overnight hours for a total of seven weekends this summer in order to replace 90,000-square-feet of binder and asphalt overlay.

Beginning the weekend of June 20-23, one Queens-bound lane will be closed from the Bronx toll plaza south to the Bronx Anchorage of the bridge from **10 p.m. Friday through 5 a.m. Monday**. During daytime hours on the weekend two lanes to Queens will remain open.

The work, which is being done by Restani Construction Corp., is similar to the roadway binder and asphalt work finished last summer on the Queens approach to the bridge with minimal impact to traffic. Once completed, motorists will notice a smoother, more-even riding surface.

"The work is being done overnight on weekends when traffic is lighter so we can minimize the impact to the driving public," said Throgs Neck Facility Engineer Edmond Knightly. It also will help minimize conflicts at the Bronx-Whitestone Bridge, which is undergoing a \$109 million project to rehabilitate and reconstruct the Queens approach roadway.

All work is heavily dependent on good weather, and as a result the work may not be done on consecutive weekends. The contractor cannot apply new asphalt in rainy weather or in extreme humidity. "We will be watching weather forecasts and will make a decision each Thursday afternoon," Knightly said.

Director of Bridges East Raymond Webb, who oversees operations at the Throgs Neck and Bronx-Whitestone Bridges, urges motorists to sign up for MTA e-mail or text alerts at www.mta.info, download MTA Bridges and Tunnels free Drive Time app for smart phones and iPads, or check the MTA Service Status box to get the most up-to-date information.

During the weekend work at the Throgs Neck Bridge, motorists should also consider using the Robert F. Kennedy Bridge or the Bronx-Whitestone Bridge, which will have three lanes open southbound to Queens.