Veterans Memorial Tollway

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75th Street to Ogden Avenue Resurface and Widen Project

The Illinois Tollway has completed the project to resurface and widen a 4-mile section of the Veterans Memorial Tollway (I-355) between 75th Street and Ogden Avenue. This work is part of the Tollway's Congestion-Relief Program to reduce travel times.

Update – Four New Southbound Lanes Open
The newly completed fourth southbound lane between Ogden Avenue and 75th Street and the new fourth northbound lane at the 75th Street Interchange have opened.

Work on Ramps, Local Crossroad Bridges Complete
Ramp resurfacing work at the Ogden Avenue, Maple Avenue, 63rd Street, and 75th Street interchanges is complete. Bridge deck widening work on the I-355 Bridges over the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad, Jackson Drive, and over Hitchcock Avenue is complete.

Minimizing Impact to Reduce Delays
Work was scheduled during off-peak and overnight hours to minimize the impact to traffic. Three lanes of traffic were maintained during daytime hours.

Work Zone Safety
Construction work zone speed limits are in effect in all construction zones 24/7 and drivers should continue to watch for changing traffic patterns and use caution, especially when workers are present. Remember to drive safely in work zones and abide by the 45 m.p.h. speed limit on the mainline. See the Tollway's Work Zone Safety page at www.illinoistollway.com.

Schedule

- 2008 – Work to resurface and build a fourth northbound lane between 75th Street and Ogden Avenue completed.
- 2009 – Resurface and widening work scheduled southbound from 75th Street to Ogden Avenue and northbound at the 75th Street interchange.
- Late 2009 – Work completed on I-355 Resurface & Widen from 75th Street to Ogden Avenue.

Purpose – Pertinent Details on Why and How
The Resurface & Widen Project included resurfacing the existing roadway originally opened in 1989 with a 4-inch asphalt overlay and construction of a new fourth lane in each direction from Ogden Avenue to 75th Street to accommodate increased traffic, due in part to the completion of the I-355 South Extension from I-55 to I-80 in 2007. Average daily traffic along the segment of roadway has grown from about 110,000 vehicles daily in 2007 to as high as 136,000 daily vehicles in 2008.

For further information, visit www.illinoistollway.com & view the Construction Section or call 1-800-TOLL-FYI.

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