



South Tri-State Tollway

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South Tri-State Tollway (I-294) Phase II Rebuild & Widen

The Illinois Tollway has completed the Phase II Rebuild & Widen Project in a 12-mile section of the south Tri-State Tollway (I-294/I-80) from 95th Street to 159th Street. Phase I Rebuild & Widen, from IL Route 394 to 167th Street, was completed in 2006. There are now four lanes open in both directions in a 17.6-mile stretch from IL Route 394 to 95th Street. This nearly \$1 billion project is part of the Tollway's Congestion-Relief Program to reduce travel times.

Update – Four Lanes Open from 95th Street to 159th Street

Traffic in both directions from 95th Street to 159th Street is now driving on four lanes of new pavement. Noisewall work is complete throughout the corridor. Work on crossroad bridges on local roads also is complete.

Interchanges

Reconstruction work on the 95th Street Interchange and the Cicero Avenue Interchange is complete. The entrance ramp from eastbound 95th Street to northbound I-294 and the northbound I-294 exit ramp to northbound Cicero Avenue have reopened.

The I-294 northbound exit ramp to southbound Cicero Avenue is closed permanently. Northbound traffic must exit at 127th Street to reach Cicero Avenue. This improves traffic flow by eliminating the weave of traffic entering and exiting northbound I-294 at Cicero Avenue.

Minimizing Impact to Reduce Delays

Daytime lane closures were avoided whenever possible with the majority of lane closures restricted to overnight hours and occasional daytime closures during off-peak periods. While these are typical lane closures, please see our Daily Lane Closures for specific daily lane closures per project at www.illinoistollway.com.

Work Zone Safety

Construction 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

Phase I: Work completed with four lanes of new pavement from 167th Street to IL Route 394.

Phase II: Work completed with four lanes of new pavement from 95th Street to 159th Street.

Purpose – Pertinent Details on Why and How

Reconstructing and widening the road to four lanes provides congestion relief and reduced travel times. **With this project complete, an extra lane is available from 95th Street on the Tri-State to I-65 in Indiana.** When Rebuild & Widen Projects on the north and central segments are complete, the Tri-State Tollway will provide four lanes in each direction from Indiana to IL Route 173, near the Wisconsin border.

For further information visit www.illinoistollway.com or call 1-800-TOLL-FYI.

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