

# **ILLINOIS TOLLWAY NEWS**

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## LONG-TERM LANE CLOSURES SCHEDULED ON YORK ROAD FOR PAVEMENT REPAIRS RELATED TO THE I-490/ILLINOIS ROUTE 390 TOLLWAY INTERCHANGE PROJECT

Traffic reduced to one lane in each direction between Supreme Drive to South Thorndale Avenue

**DOWNERS GROVE, IL –** The Illinois Tollway is scheduled to begin long-term lane closures on York Road the week of May 16 in both directions between Supreme Drive and South Thorndale Avenue for pavement repair work related to the I-490/Illinois Route 390 Tollway Interchange Project. The closures are scheduled to last into summer.

Electronic message signs and construction signage will be put in place to alert drivers in advance of closures, which are necessary to safely accommodate a work zone. Up-to-date closure information will be posted on the Tollway website in the <u>Daily Construction Alert</u>. All work is weather dependent.

Pavement repair work in this area is being coordinated with Cook County Department of Transportation and Highways, DuPage County, and the Village of Bensenville, as well as local fire and police departments.

Construction updates, project information, maps and detour information for work that is part of the I-490/Illinois Route 390 Tollway Interchange Project are available in the Projects section on the Tollway's website at <u>www.illinoistollway.com</u>.

### 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.

The Illinois Tollway reminds motorists that the "Move Over Law" requires motorists to change lanes or to slow down and proceed with caution when passing any vehicle on the side of the road with hazard lights activated. If you see flashing lights ahead, please move over or slow down.

Illinois State Police have zero tolerance for drivers speeding in work zones or failure to comply with the Move Over Law. The minimum penalty for speeding in a work zone is \$250 with up to a \$25,000 fine and a 14-year jail sentence for hitting a roadway worker. Penalties for failure to slow down or move over for a vehicle on the shoulder with flashing lights includes up to a \$10,000 fine, 2-year suspension of driving privileges and jail time, in extreme cases.

#### About Move Illinois

The Illinois Tollway's 15-year, \$14 billion capital program, *Move Illinois: The Illinois Tollway Driving the Future*, is improving mobility, relieving congestion, reducing pollution, creating as many as 120,000 jobs and linking economies throughout the region. The first 10 years of *Move Illinois* is on schedule and within budget, delivering the rebuilt and widened Jane Addams Memorial Tollway (I-90) as a state-of-the-art 21<sup>st</sup> century corridor and opening a new interchange connecting the Tri-State Tollway (I-294) to I-57. Progress continues on projects addressing the remaining needs of the existing Tollway system, delivering the Elgin O'Hare Western Access Project and reconstruction of the Central Tri-State Tollway (I-294).

### About the Illinois Tollway

The Illinois Tollway is a user-fee system that receives no state or federal funds for maintenance and operations. The agency maintains and operates 294 miles of roadways in 12 counties in Northern Illinois, including the Reagan Memorial Tollway (I-88), the Veterans Memorial Tollway (I-355), the Jane Addams Memorial Tollway (I-90), the Tri-State Tollway (I-94/I-294/I-80) and the Illinois Route 390 Tollway.

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