

ILLINOIS TOLLWAY NEWS

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WEEKEND LONG CLOSURES OF I-290 RAMP ON ILLINOIS ROUTE 390 TOLLWAY SCHEDULED FOR ROADWAY REPAIRS IN ITASCA AND WOOD DALE

Westbound roadway closures also planned this weekend

DOWNERS GROVE, IL – Repair work is scheduled to continue this weekend on Illinois Route 390 Tollway mainline roadway and ramp bridge structures. The work will require a weekend-long closure of the ramp connecting westbound Illinois Route 390 to eastbound I-290, as well as westbound lane closures on Illinois Route 390.

The closures are necessary to create a safe work zone for repairs to the mainline bridges in the area. Electronic message signs and construction signage will be put in place to alert drivers in advance of closures and detours. Up-to-date closure information will be posted on the Tollway website in the Daily Construction Alert. All work is weather dependent.

Beginning Friday, August 12, at 7 p.m. westbound Illinois Route 390 is scheduled to be reduced to a single lane between Park Boulevard and I-290. In addition, the ramp connecting westbound Illinois Route 390 to eastbound I-290 will close with a posted detour. The detour will route Illinois Route 390 traffic to Meacham Road then back onto Illinois Route 390 eastbound to access the I-290 Interchange.

The lanes and ramp are scheduled to remain closed throughout the weekend, reopening by 7 a.m. on Monday, August 15.



In 2022, the Illinois Tollway is repairing mainline and ramp bridge structures along the Illinois Route 390 Tollway between Gary Avenue and Lively Boulevard. Work is expected to continue into the fall at various locations in both directions on Illinois Route 390 and on exit and entrance ramps for bridge joint repair work. A total of 16 mainline and ramp bridges require repair work between Gary Avenue and Lively Boulevard, including 12 that will require detours. Closures will be scheduled as needed through fall to complete this work.

Work Zone Safety

The Illinois Tollway is committed to ensuring the Illinois Route 390 Tollway remains safe for both drivers and workers during construction, which is part of the agency's overall commitment to roadway safety.

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. 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 and can include 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* are on schedule and within budget, delivering the rebuilt and widened Jane Addams Memorial Tollway (I-90) as a state-of-the-art 21st 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 reconstructing 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.