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**REPAIR WORK BEGINNING AT I-294/I-90 INTERCHANGE
WITH OVERNIGHT RAMP, LANE CLOSURES SCHEDULED THIS WEEKEND**

*Overnight detour for eastbound I-90 to northbound I-294 ramp
and lane closures on I-294 and ramp from northbound I-294 to westbound I-90*

DOWNERS GROVE, IL – The Illinois Tollway is beginning ramp repairs at the interchange connecting the Tri-State Tollway (I-294) and the Jane Addams Memorial Tollway (I-90). This weekend, work will require lane closures on northbound I-294 and an overnight, full closure of the ramp connecting eastbound I-90 to northbound I-294. A detour will be posted.

Repair work is scheduled to continue through September at the I-294/I-90 Interchange for ramp and bridge maintenance and repairs to keep the interchange in good condition. Up to three nights of ramp closures with detours will be needed to complete the work, along with additional overnight lane closures through September.

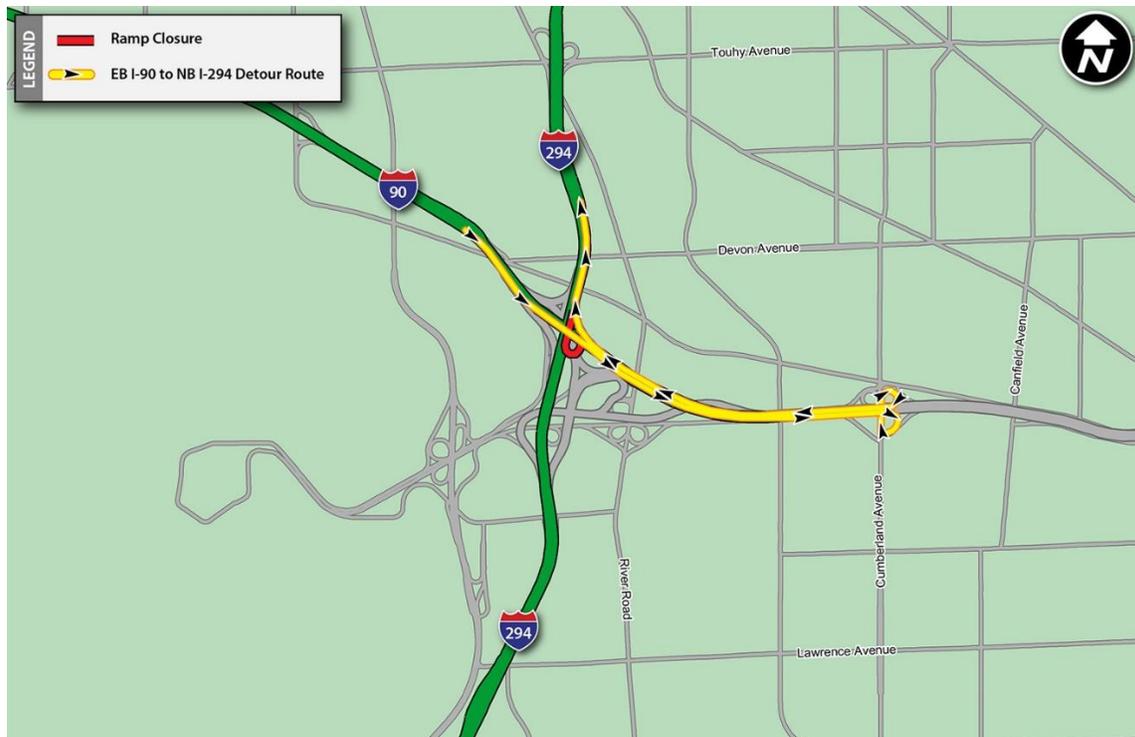
Temporary closures will be necessary to provide a safe work zone for repairs to the ramp bridges in the area. Electronic message signs and construction signage will be put in place to alert drivers in advance of closures and detours. Up-to-date closure information will be posted on the Tollway website in the [Daily Construction Alert](#). All work is weather dependent.

On Friday, September 16, beginning at 9 p.m. on the ramp from northbound I-294 to westbound I-90, one lane is scheduled to close and a traffic shift will be put in place. In addition at 10 p.m. the ramp from eastbound I-90 to northbound I-294 is scheduled to close with a detour. The posted detour will route I-90 traffic east to Cumberland Avenue, through the interchange to westbound I-90 to access northbound I-294.

On I-294 at 10 p.m. two northbound lanes at I-90 are scheduled to close, with two lanes remaining open for traffic.

All lanes and the ramp are scheduled to reopen by 7 a.m. on Saturday, September 17.

Similar closures and detours are anticipated for Friday, September 23 into Saturday September 24, with an additional weekend to be scheduled if needed to complete any remaining work.



Work Zone Safety

The Illinois Tollway is committed to ensuring the Tri-State Tollway (I-294) and the Jane Addams Memorial Tollway (I-90) 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.

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