

ILLINOIS TOLLWAY NEWS

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RAMP REPAIR WORK SCHEDULED AT EAST RIVERSIDE BOULEVARD INTERCHANGE ON THE JANE ADDAMS MEMORIAL TOLLWAY (I-90) IN WINNEBAGO COUNTY Work scheduled to begin on three ramps at the interchange

DOWNERS GROVE, IL – Ramp repair and resurfacing work is scheduled to begin next week at the East Riverside Boulevard Interchange on the Jane Addams Memorial Tollway (I-90) in Winnebago County.

Electronic message signs and construction signage will be in place in advance to alert drivers to traffic shifts, closures and detours. Up-to-date information will be posted on the Tollway website in the <u>Daily</u> <u>Construction Alert</u>. All work is weather dependent.

On westbound I-90, beginning the week of July 10, pavement patching work is scheduled to begin on the two ramps carrying traffic to and from East Riverside Boulevard. The ramps will remain open while the repair work is underway with traffic shifted partially onto the shoulders to provide for a work zone.

Once the repair work is complete on these ramps, resurfacing work will begin. Temporary overnight ramp closure of the ramp connecting westbound I-90 to East Riverside Boulevard will be scheduled and signage posted to provide advance notice for drivers.

On eastbound I-90, beginning the week of July 17, resurfacing work is scheduled to begin on the ramp carrying traffic to East Riverside Boulevard. The ramp will remain open while the repair work is underway with traffic shifted partially onto the shoulders to provide for a work zone.

On East Riverside Boulevard lane closures will be scheduled as needed to complete the ramp repair and resurfacing work.

The repairs are scheduled to be complete this summer.

In 2023, the Illinois Tollway has scheduled pavement repairs between Rockton Road and the Kishwaukee River Bridge in Winnebago County, including at the East Riverside Boulevard Interchange, to extend the life of the roadway and provide a smoother riding surface for the traveling public. Work includes repairing asphalt pavement and shoulders on I-90. Work will also include, toll plaza improvements will on the ramp connecting East Riverside Boulevard to eastbound I-90.

All work is being coordinated with the Illinois Department of Transportation, Boone County, Winnebago County, local communities, as well as local fire and police departments.

Repair work will provide customers an improved driving experience and extend the life of the roadway. This work is part of the Tollway's 15-year, \$14 billion capital program, *Move Illinois: The Illinois Tollway Driving the Future*.

Maps and construction information are available in the Projects section on the Tollway's website at <u>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 152,000 jobs and linking economies throughout the region. The first 11 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 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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