



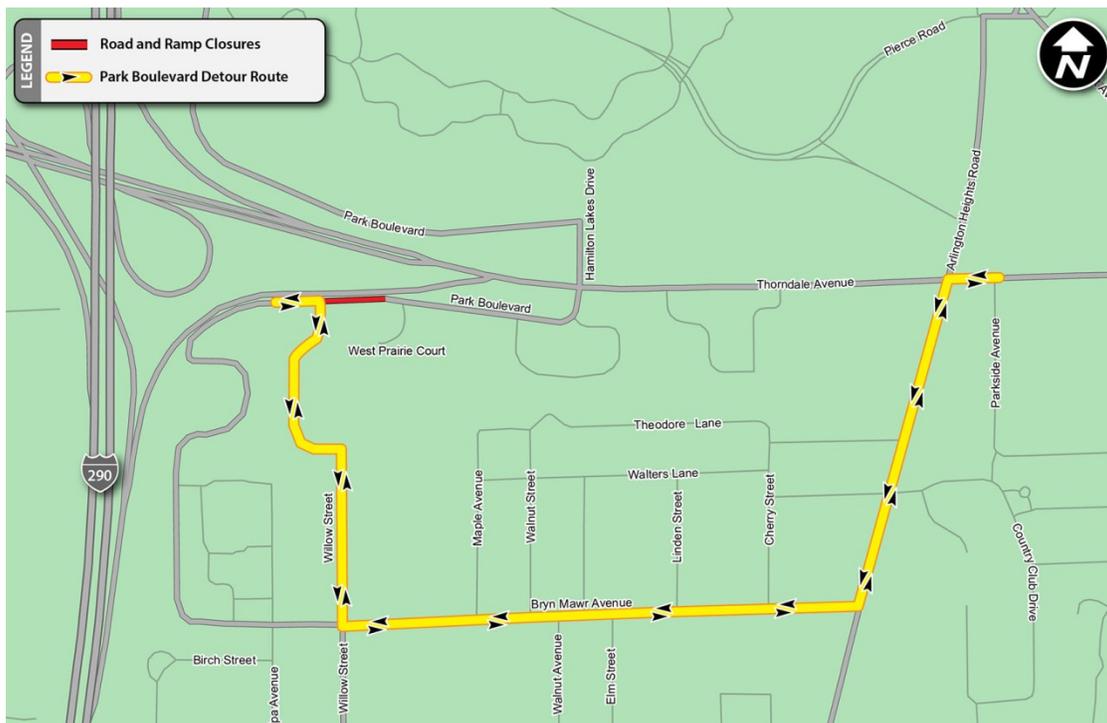
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**LOCAL ROAD CLOSURES, SHIFTS SCHEDULED TO BEGIN THIS WEEK
AS PART OF THE ILLINOIS ROUTE 390 TOLLWAY PROJECT**
Detours will be posted for noisewall, frontage road work

DOWNERS GROVE, IL – A portion of Park Boulevard in Itasca will be closed and a detour posted this week to allow for construction of a noisewall as part of the Illinois Route 390 Tollway Project. Closures are also scheduled in May for a portion of Edgewood Avenue in Wood Dale.

In 2016, the Illinois Tollway will continue construction of Illinois Route 390, extending the roadway east to Illinois Route 83, including construction of bridges and frontage roads to accommodate local traffic. In addition, construction of a new eastbound frontage road is scheduled to be complete in the summer of 2016. Completion of the new Tollway between Rohlwing Road and Illinois Route 83 is scheduled to be complete by the end of 2017.

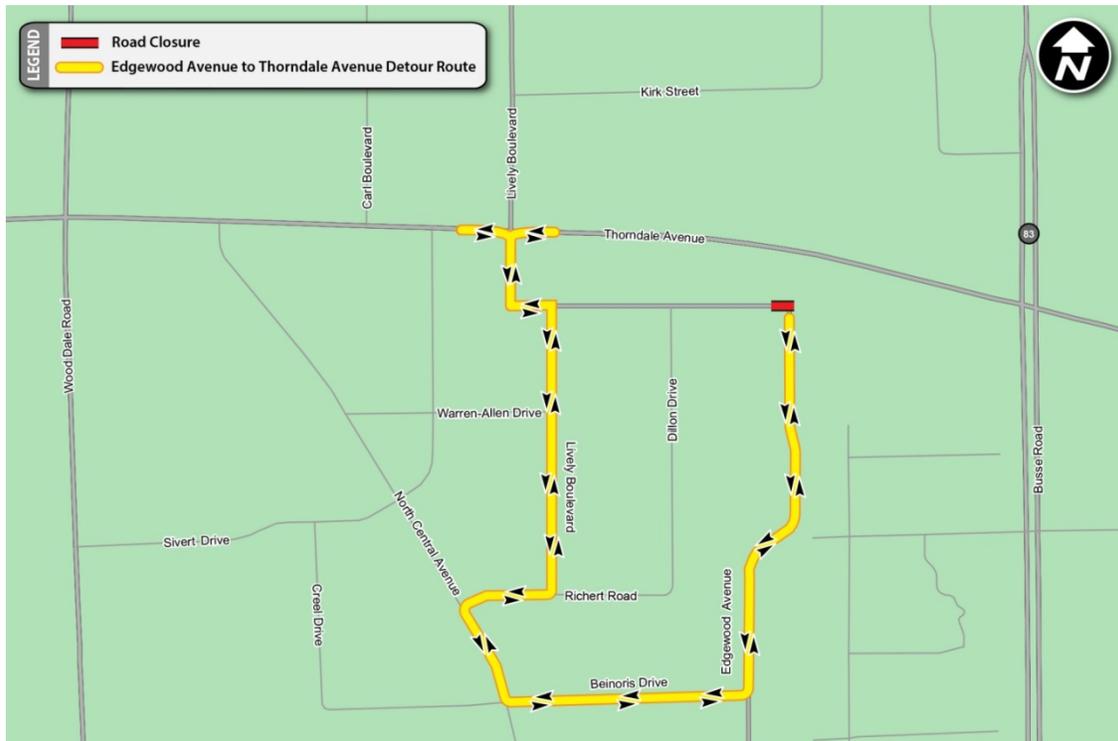
Weather permitting, on Friday, April 29, Park Boulevard between Willow Street and West Prairie Court will close from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. to allow for construction of a noisewall. A detour will be posted directing traffic to use Willow Street, Bryn Mawr Avenue and Arlington Heights Road to access Thorndale Avenue. A similar closure with detour will be scheduled for Monday, May 2, if work is not completed.



In addition, during the week of May 2, traffic in both directions on Illinois Route 83 between Mark Street and Industrial Drive is scheduled to shift into the southbound lanes, to allow for the reconstruction of the

northbound lanes of Illinois Route 83 and installation of storm sewers and water mains. During this time, no left-turns will be allowed from northbound and southbound Illinois Route 83 to Bryn Mawr Avenue. Detours will be posted. Traffic is scheduled to remain in this configuration into the fall.

During the week of May 9, Edgewood Avenue at the frontage road south of Thorndale Avenue is scheduled to close for earth work, pavement work and roadway drainage improvements. A detour will be posted directing traffic to use Lively Boulevard, Richert Road, Central Avenue and Belnoris Drive. The closure is expected to be in place for about two weeks.



The Tollway is coordinating work with the Illinois Department of Transportation, Village of Itasca, City of Wood Dale and DuPage County, as well as local townships, villages and police and fire departments.

Construction information about the Illinois Route 390 Project is available in the “Projects by Roadway” section in the Construction/Planning section on the Tollway’s website at www.illinoistollway.com.

The public can follow the progress of the work on the Illinois Route 390 Project via camera images offering bird’s-eye-views on the Illinois Tollway’s website www.illinoistollway.com. Views of ongoing work are updated every 15 minutes and available online.

Work Zone Safety

The Illinois Tollway is committed to ensuring that the Illinois Route 390 and other area roadways remain safe for both drivers and workers during construction, which is part of the agency’s overall commitment to roadway 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. On Illinois Route 390 a 45 mph work zone speed limit is in effect throughout the construction season.

Illinois State Police have zero tolerance for drivers speeding in work zones. The minimum penalty for speeding in a work zone is \$375. Posted signs advise drivers of a \$10,000 fine and a 14-year jail sentence for hitting a roadway worker.

Illinois Route 390 Project

The first phase of the \$3.4 billion Elgin O'Hare Western Access (EOWA) Project includes building the new Illinois Route 390. The Illinois Route 390 Project scheduled to be complete by 2017 is improving the existing portion of Illinois Route 390, formerly known as the Elgin O'Hare Expressway, from Lake Street (U.S. Route 20) to I-290 and extending Illinois Route 390 east to Illinois Route 83 along the current Thorndale Avenue with bridges and frontage roads to accommodate local traffic.

The new Illinois Route 390 from Lake Street (U.S. Route 20) to Illinois Route 83, including a new interchange at I-290, is estimated at \$780 million. In 2015, the Illinois Tollway completed improvements to the western segment of Illinois Route 390 between Lake Street (U.S. Route 20) and Rohlwing Road.

In 2016, the project includes work to build the new Illinois Route 390 Tollway east from I-290 to Illinois Route 83, including construction of new bridges to carry Illinois Route 390 traffic over Hamilton Lakes Drive, Salt Creek, Mittel Boulevard and Lively Boulevard to accommodate local traffic. In addition, local interchange improvements, construction of new frontage roads, local roadway improvements and noisewalls will be built to accommodate the new Illinois Route 390. The new roadway between Rohlwing Road and Illinois Route 83 is scheduled to be complete by the end of 2017.

These improvements are part of the \$3.4 billion Elgin O'Hare Western Access Project, which is included in the Illinois Tollway's 15-year, \$12 billion capital program, *Move Illinois: The Illinois Tollway Driving the Future*.

Getting Tollway Construction Information

The Illinois Tollway has a variety of ways customers can get the latest travel information, including:

- www.illinoistollway.com – Construction/Planning section, Tollway Trip Calculator, live roadway images and real-time roadway incident information
- 1-800-TOLL-FYI – Daily lane closure information
- www.travelmidwest.com – Real-time travel times
- www.twitter.com – Real-time roadway incident information at Tollway Trip 90, Tollway Trip 88, Tollway Trip 355 and Tollway Trip 94/294

About *Move Illinois*

The Illinois Tollway's 15-year, \$12 billion capital program, *Move Illinois: The Illinois Tollway Driving the Future*, will improve mobility, relieve congestion, reduce pollution, create as many as 120,000 jobs and link economies across the Midwest region. *Move Illinois* will address the remaining needs of the existing Tollway system; rebuild and widen the Jane Addams Memorial Tollway (I-90) as a state-of-the-art, 21st century corridor; construct a new interchange to connect the Tri-State Tollway (I-294) to I-57; build a new, all-electronic Elgin O'Hare Western Access and fund planning studies for emerging projects.

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 286 miles of interstate tollways 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) and the Tri-State Tollway (I-94/I-294/I-80).