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**OVERNIGHT LANE, RAMP CLOSURES SCHEDULED THIS WEEKEND
ON THE VETERANS MEMORIAL TOLLWAY (I-355) IN LISLE**
Bridge joint repair work is scheduled on the bridge over Hitchcock Avenue

DOWNERS GROVE, IL – Temporary, overnight lane and ramp closures are scheduled this weekend on the Veterans Memorial Tollway (I-355) at Hitchcock Avenue and Ogden Avenue in Lisle for bridge joint repair work.

Electronic message signs and construction signage will be put in place in advance to alert drivers to the overnight closures. The temporary closures are necessary to provide a work zone and safely accommodate the I-355 bridge repairs. All work is weather dependent.

On Saturday, August 13, one southbound lane on I-355 at Hitchcock Avenue is scheduled to close at 6 p.m. to prepare for bridge joint repair work. A second lane will close at 6:30 p.m. In addition, the ramp carrying Ogden Avenue traffic to southbound I-355 will also close at 6:30 p.m. No detour will be posted. Drivers will be able to access southbound I-355 via the Maple Avenue Interchange to the south.

All lanes on I-355 and on the ramp from Ogden Avenue to southbound I-355 are scheduled to reopen by 11 a.m. on Sunday, August 14.

In 2016, the Illinois Tollway is repairing two bridges on I-355, including Archer Avenue over I-355 and I-355 over Hitchcock Avenue. In addition, work is planned on the ramp bridge over Finley Road carrying traffic from the westbound Reagan Memorial Tollway (I-88) to northbound I-355. Resurfacing work is also scheduled on the ramp carrying southbound I-355 traffic to eastbound I-88. Work is scheduled to be complete by the end of the year.

Later this month, two weekend-long closures of the ramp from westbound I-88 to northbound I-355 will be scheduled along with a posted detour. Work at this location will include bridge deck repairs and pavement work, in addition to bridge cleaning, sealing and joint replacement.

The I-355 bridge repair work is being coordinated with the Illinois Department of Transportation and DuPage County, along with local fire and police departments.

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

Work Zone Safety

The Illinois Tollway is committed to ensuring that I-355 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 I-355, a 45 mph work zone speed limit will be in effect.

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.

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, Tollway Trip 94/294 and Tollway Trip 390.

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 292 miles of roadways in 12 counties in Northern Illinois, including the Reagan Memorial Tollway (I-88), 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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