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LOCAL ROAD CLOSURES SCHEDULED IN ITASCA AND BENSENVILLE FOR ILLINOIS ROUTE 390 TOLLWAY CONSTRUCTION *Lane closures planned for bridge beam installations as part of new Tollway construction*

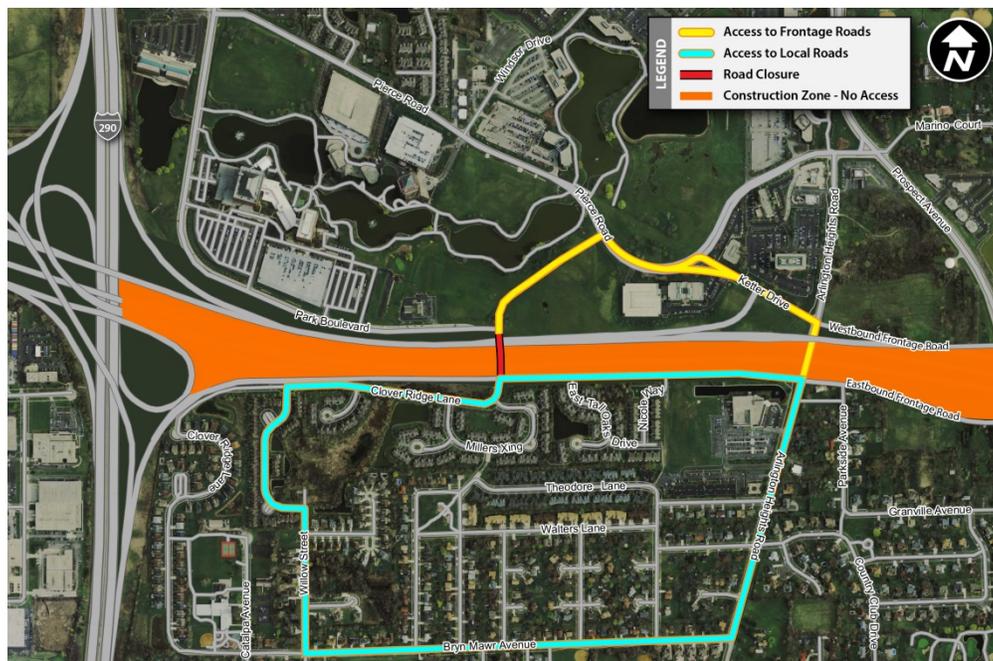
DOWNERS GROVE, IL – Beginning this weekend, lane closures will be scheduled in Itasca and in Bensenville for bridge beam installation as part of construction of new Illinois Route 390 Tollway over Hamilton Lakes Drive and Illinois Route 83. Electronic message signs will be put in place in advance to alert drivers to the closures.

Bridge beam installation will be scheduled to minimize the impact on traffic, with overnight lane closures on Hamilton Lakes Drive and Illinois Route 83. In addition, temporary, 15-minute full closures, on Illinois Route 83 will be scheduled during the overnight hours. The lane and roadway closures are necessary to provide a work zone that safely accommodates the construction of the new bridges.

Hamilton Lakes Drive Lane Closures

Weather permitting, beginning on Saturday, February 25, at 3 p.m., on Thorndale Avenue, a single eastbound lane will close along with the left-turn lane between I-290 and Arlington Heights Road. In addition, at 6 p.m. Hamilton Lakes Drive in both directions between Pierce Road and Thorndale Avenue will close with a posted detour.

To access Thorndale Avenue, traffic will be directed to use Pierce Road, Ketter Drive and Arlington Heights Road. To access local roads south of Thorndale, traffic will follow the same detour across Thorndale and then continue along Bryn Mawr Avenue to Willow Street and Clover Ridge Lane.



The full closure of Hamilton Lakes Drive and the lane closures on Thorndale Avenue are scheduled to end by 6 a.m. on Sunday, February 26.

Illinois Route 83 Lane Closures

Weather permitting, beginning on Sunday, February 26, at 6 p.m., on Illinois Route 83, a single lane will close in both directions along with left-turn lanes between Foster Avenue and Mark Street, followed by the closure of a second lane in both directions at 9 p.m. In addition, temporary, full roadway closures in both directions, each lasting 15 minutes, will begin at 9 p.m. and end by 5 a.m. All lanes will reopen by 6 a.m. on Monday, February 27

Similar closures are scheduled to continue nightly through Thursday, March 2, and again from Sunday, March 5, through Thursday, March 9.

A new full-access Illinois Route 83 (Busse Road) Interchange will be built to improve travel and provide access to the new Illinois Route 390 Tollway. The interchange includes construction of a new bridge providing three lanes of travel in each direction to carry Illinois Route 390 Tollway traffic over Illinois Route 83, as well as construction of ramps carrying traffic to and from eastbound and westbound frontage roads to provide full access to the Illinois Route 390 Tollway.

The Illinois Tollway is coordinating construction and detours with the Villages of Itasca and Bensenville and the Illinois Department of Transportation.

In 2017, the Illinois Tollway will complete construction of the new Illinois Route 390 Tollway between I-290 and Illinois Route 83 along the current Thorndale Avenue, along with work to build new bridges and frontage roads to accommodate local traffic. This work is scheduled to be complete by the end of the year.

Construction information about the [Illinois Route 390 Tollway Project](#) is available under “Projects Overview” in the Explore Projects section on the Tollway’s website at illinoistollway.com.

Work Zone Safety

The Illinois Tollway is committed to ensuring that the Illinois Route 390 Tollway 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. A 45 mph work zone speed limit is in effect for traffic using the frontage roads throughout construction. Work zone speed limits are in place on other roads in the project area as well.

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:

- 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
- travelmidwest.com – Real-time travel times
- 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.

Illinois Route 390 Project

The Illinois Route 390 Project scheduled to be complete by the end of 2017 is providing an improved roadway 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 2016, the Illinois Tollway opened the western segment of the Illinois Route 390 Tollway between Lake Street (U.S. Route 20) and I-290. 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*.

About Move Illinois

The Illinois Tollway's 15-year, \$12 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 five years of *Move Illinois* is 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 planning for emerging projects, including 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 292 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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