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LOCAL ROAD CLOSURE SCHEDULED ON WOLF ROAD AT THE JANE ADDAMS MEMORIAL TOLLWAY (I-90) IN DES PLAINES

Overnight, full closure needed for storm sewer drainage improvements

DOWNERS GROVE, IL – A full closure of Wolf Road in both directions at the Jane Addams Memorial Tollway (I-90) is scheduled next week as part of roadway drainage improvements associated with the I-90 Rebuilding and Widening Project. Electronic message signs will be put in place to alert drivers in advance of the local road closure.

Construction is scheduled during overnight hours to minimize the impact on traffic. The temporary closure is necessary to provide a work zone and safely accommodate construction.

Weather permitting, on Tuesday, September 26, at 7 p.m., lane closures will begin on Wolf Road with single lane closures in both directions, followed by full closure of the roadway in both directions scheduled to begin at 10 p.m. No detour will be posted.

Wolf Road is scheduled to reopen to traffic by 5 a.m. on Wednesday, September 27, with a single northbound lane scheduled to remain closed through 8 a.m. on Friday, September 29 and a single southbound lane closure scheduled to remain in place through 5 p.m. on Sunday, October 1. The extended single lane closures are needed to give the new concrete time to cure.

The local roadway closure was coordinated with the City of Des Plaines and the Illinois Department of Transportation, along with local police and fire departments.

Work Zone Safety

The Illinois Tollway is committed to ensuring that the Jane Addams Memorial Tollway (I-90) and Wolf Road 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.**

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. 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 – Explore Projects section, Tollway Trip Calculator, live roadway images and real-time roadway incident information

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- 1-800-TOLL-FYI – Daily lane closure information
- travelmidwest.com – Real-time travel times
- twitter.com – Real-time roadway information at Tollway Trip 90, Tollway Trip 88, Tollway Trip 355, Tollway Trip 94/294 and Tollway Trip 390.

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 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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