

Move Illinois: The Illinois Tollway Driving the Future



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## \*\*\* UPDATED \*\*\*

# EXTENDED LANE CLOSURES RESCHEDULED TO BEGIN WEEK OF OCTOBER 9 ON THE JANE ADDAMS MEMORIAL TOLLWAY (I-90) IN BOONE COUNTY

Closures needed for warranty repair work on the west end of I-90

**DOWNERS GROVE, IL –** Overnight double lane closures and an extended single lane closure have been rescheduled to begin the week of October 9 on the eastbound Jane Addams Memorial Tollway (I-90) between the Belvidere Oasis and Genoa Road and between Shattuck Road and Anthony Road in Boone County for warranty pavement repair.

Electronic message signs will be put in place to alert drivers in advance of the lane closures. The temporary closures are necessary to provide a work zone to safely accommodate construction and allow the new concrete to cure.

Weather permitting, lane closures will be scheduled for Monday, October 9 through Friday, October 13. A single eastbound lane will remain closed from Monday at 7 p.m. through Friday at 3 p.m., with a second lane closing Monday and Tuesday nights at 7 p.m. and reopening by 11 a.m. the following morning. All lane closures are scheduled to be removed by 3 pm on Friday, October 13.

Additional closures between Rockton Road and the Elgin Toll Plaza will be scheduled through the end of the year to complete warranty pavement repair work. Up-to-date closure information will be posted on the Tollway website in the <u>Daily Construction Alert</u>.

The roadway closures were coordinated with Boone County and the Illinois Department of Transportation.

## Work Zone Safety

The Illinois Tollway is committed to ensuring that the Jane Addams Memorial Tollway (I-90) remains 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:

- <u>Illinoistollway.com</u> Explore Projects section, Tollway Trip Calculator, live roadway images and real-time roadway incident information
- 1-800-TOLL-FYI Daily lane closure information
- <u>travelmidwest.com</u> Real-time travel times
- <u>twitter.com</u> 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 21<sup>st</sup> 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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