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RAMP WORK SCHEDULED TO BEGIN NEXT WEEK ON 75TH STREET INTERCHANGE ON THE TRI-STATE TOLLWAY (I-294)
Overnight closures with detours required in June

DOWNERS GROVE, IL – The Illinois Tollway is scheduled to begin ramp repairs next week on the 75th Street Interchange on the Tri-State Tollway (I-294). Work will include patching, as well as the replacement of short segments of concrete pavement and intermittent shoulder repair work. All construction is scheduled to be complete in June.

Beginning the week of June 2, pavement reconstruction is planned at the ramp connecting southbound I-294 to 75th Street. During construction, traffic will be shifted to maintain two lanes of traffic through the toll plaza on the ramp. One I-PASS Only lane and a cash lane will remain open as work progresses from lane to lane to rebuild the pavement. Up to 3,100 vehicles use this ramp daily.

In addition, during the week of June 9, work is scheduled to begin on the ramp connecting 75th Street to southbound I-294 and will require traffic shifts and overnight lane closures.

In mid-June, work is scheduled to begin on the two ramps connecting northbound I-294 to 75th Street. Work on both these ramps will require overnight lane closures with detours. Overnight closure of these ramps is needed to providing a safe work zone for construction workers and drivers and will allow work to be completed in half the time.

Work Zone Safety
A 20 mph speed limit will be in effect 24/7 in the construction zone, whether or not workers are present. Drivers should continue to watch for changing traffic patterns and use caution at all times.

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 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](http://www.illinoistollway.com) – Construction/Planning section, Tollway Trip Calculator and real-time roadway incident information
- 1-800-TOLL-FYI – Daily lane closure information
- [www.travelmidwest.com](http://www.travelmidwest.com) – Real-time travel times
- [www.twitter.com](http://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 $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 the Illinois Route 53/120 Project and the Illiana Expressway.

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).

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