



## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE March 12, 2018

## TEMPORARY, OVERNIGHT RAMP CLOSURES BEGIN TONIGHT AT I-290 INTERCHANGE ON ILLINOIS ROUTE 390 TOLLWAY

Closures with detours needed on two ramps over two nights for traffic sensor work

**DOWNERS GROVE, IL –** Overnight ramp closures with posted detours are scheduled to begin tonight at the I-290 Interchange on the Illinois Route 390 Tollway for traffic sensor work.

Electronic message signs and construction signage will be put in place in advance to alert drivers to the overnight closures and detour. The temporary closures are necessary to provide a work zone and safely accommodate the installation of traffic sensors. All work is weather dependent.

On Tuesday, March 13, from 1 a.m. to 5 a.m. the ramp connecting eastbound I-290 to westbound Illinois Route 390 is scheduled to close. A detour will be posted directing traffic onto eastbound Illinois Route 390 and Prospect Avenue to reach westbound Illinois Route 390. During the detour no tolls will be taken at the Hamilton Lakes Drive Toll Plaza in either direction.

On Wednesday, March 14, from 1 a.m. to 5 a.m., the ramp connecting eastbound Illinois Route 390 to eastbound I-290 is scheduled to close. A detour will be posted directing traffic onto westbound I-290 and westbound Biesterfield Road to reach eastbound I-290.



If this work is not able to be completed during this time, then the ramps will close during the same hours on a subsequent weeknight.

## **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 55 mph speed limit is in effect 24/7 on I-290.

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.

## **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 294 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.