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ILLINOIS TOLLWAY EXPECTS NEARLY 6.5 MILLION VEHICLES ON ITS SYSTEM THIS EASTER-PASSOVER HOLIDAY

Tollway adjusting speed limits on Jane Addams Memorial Tollway (I-90) in time for holiday travel

DOWNERS GROVE, IL – The Illinois Tollway anticipates nearly 6.5 million vehicles will travel on the Tollway system during the Easter/Passover weekend from Friday, March 30, to Monday, April 2. The heaviest travel is expected on Friday, March 30, when more than 1.8 million vehicles are projected to use the 294-mile Tollway system. On an average day, more than 1.6 million vehicles use the Illinois Tollway.

In advance of the Easter/Passover weekend, new speed limits will be posted on the Jane Addams Memorial Tollway (I-90) between Randall Road in Elgin and the Kennedy Expressway following the completion of engineering and traffic analysis. Installation of signage advising drivers of the new speed limits is expected to be complete early this week.

“The Tollway is doing its part to make sure that customers enjoy safe, convenient travel,” said Illinois Tollway Executive Director Liz Gorman. “With more people traveling on our roadways this weekend, we remind customers to stay alert, obey the posted speed limits and remember to slow down and move over when approaching any vehicle pulled over on the side of the road.”

[Give Them Distance Pledge](#)

The Illinois Tollway and transportation and safety leaders are calling on 1 million people in Illinois to take the Give Them Distance Pledge this year. Give Them Distance is a statewide effort to remind the public to slow down and move over for any driver and workers stopped on the side of the road with their vehicle lights flashing. Drivers are encouraged to visit GiveThemDistance.com, take the pledge and share their pledge on social media, challenging their friends and family to join the movement for safer roads across Illinois.

[Tollway Speed Limits](#)

The speed limit in the section of I-90 between Randall Road and Mount Prospect Road will change to 70 mph for cars, 65 mph for buses and 60 mph for trucks. The speed limit change provides consistency with speed limits already in place on I-90 west of Randall Road to County Line Road, where the speed limit changes to 70 mph for all vehicles up to the Wisconsin state line. The speed limit will change to 60 mph for all vehicles in the section of I-90 between Mount Prospect Road and the Kennedy Expressway.

[Holiday Work Zones](#)

To accommodate holiday travel on the Illinois Tollway, construction activity will be restricted to better serve Tollway customers. Most temporary maintenance and construction lane closures will be suspended from noon on Friday, March 30, through 9 a.m. on Monday, April 2. Some work may continue behind barriers to keep work on schedule, but this work will not impact traffic. All work is weather dependent.

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If your vehicle becomes disabled, call *999 for assistance. Illinois State Police District 15 patrols the 294-mile Tollway system 24 hours a day, seven days a week, and Tollway motorist aid patrols stand ready to help stranded customers change tires, jump-start batteries, add coolant, dispense fuel, transport customers, move vehicles away from traffic and call for a tow truck.

Tollway Travel Tips

The Tollway offers the following ways for drivers to get the latest travel information before they get on the road:

- illinoistollway.com – Interactive Tollway Map for – construction information, Tollway Trip Calculator, live roadway images
- 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.

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.

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