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LOCAL LANE CLOSURES SCHEDULED ON BARRINGTON ROAD AT THE JANE ADDAMS MEMORIAL TOLLWAY (I-90) IN HOFFMAN ESTATES

Three weeks of lane closures needed for pavement repair work

DOWNERS GROVE, IL – Extended lane closures are scheduled to begin at 7 a.m. on Wednesday, April 25, and continue into mid-May on southbound Barrington Road at the Jane Addams Memorial Tollway (I-90) in Hoffman Estates.

Construction signs will be put in place to alert drivers in advance of the lane closures. Traffic will be reduced to a single lane in some areas and delays are expected.

The closures are necessary to safely accommodate traffic and to provide a work zone allowing for repair work and the new concrete to cure.

Weather permitting, on Wednesday, April 25, two lanes on southbound Barrington Road will close between Center Road and Hassell Road. Once the new concrete pavement has been poured the second lane will reopen to traffic. One lane will remained closed through Monday, April 30, to give the concrete time to cure. Similar closures will be scheduled over the following two weeks to complete the repairs.

Work Zone Safety

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

In addition, 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 or failure to comply with the Move Over Law.

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. Penalties for failure to slow down or move over for a vehicle on the shoulder with flashing lights includes up to a \$10,000 fine, 2-year suspension of driving privileges and jail time, in extreme cases.

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, live roadway images and real-time roadway incident information.

- <u>Daily construction alerts</u> Daily and long-term lane and shoulder closure schedules.
- <u>Travelmidwest.com</u> Real-time travel times.
- <u>Twitter.com</u> 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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