



*Move Illinois:
The Illinois Tollway Driving the Future*

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**OVERNIGHT AND LOCAL ROAD CLOSURES SCHEDULED
ON YORK ROAD AND REAGAN MEMORIAL TOLLWAY (I-88) IN OAK BROOK**

*Temporary, full closures planned for bridge beam placement
as part of roadway improvement project*

DOWNERS GROVE, IL – Two nights of temporary, overnight lane closures will be scheduled this week, on the Reagan Memorial Tollway (I-88) and on York Road for bridge beam placement work as part of the I-88 Reconstruction Project in Oak Brook.

Bridge beam placement is scheduled during overnight hours to minimize the impact on traffic on the Tollway and York Road. Electronic message signs will be put in place in advance to alert drivers. The temporary closures are necessary to provide a work zone and safely accommodate the repairs at the York Road Bridge.

Weather permitting, the first night of closures for bridge beam placement work is scheduled for Thursday, May 3, and a second night of similar closures will be scheduled over the weekend to complete the work.

On I-88 beginning at 7 p.m., one lane in both directions is scheduled to close with a second lane closing at 10 p.m. and intermittent, full closures of I-88, each lasting 15 minutes, scheduled to begin at midnight, for bridge beam placement. On York Road beginning at 7 p.m., traffic will be reduced to a single lane on the bridge over I-88. Traffic will be maintained in both directions with flaggers. All lanes are scheduled to reopen by 5 a.m. the following morning on I-88, and by 7 a.m. on York Road.

Work Zone Safety

The Illinois Tollway is committed to ensuring that the Reagan Memorial Tollway (I-88) 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. On York Road, a 30 mph work zone speed limit is in effect throughout the construction season. On I-88, a 45 mph work zone speed limit will be in place.

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.

I-88 Reconstruction Project

The I-88 Reconstruction Project will extend the life of the roadway, increase traffic capacity and provide safe and convenient travel for Tollway customers. In addition, to rebuilding and widening I-88, the two-year project also includes rebuilding and widening the York Road Bridge, repair and widening of the I-88 bridges over Roosevelt Road, improvements on the ramps connecting I-88 and I-294 and noisewall construction adjacent to residential areas.

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The project is being coordinated with the Illinois Department of Transportation, the Village of Oak Brook, the City of Elmhurst, Village of Hillside, York Township and DuPage County, as well as local fire and police departments. The project is funded by the Tollway's 15-year, \$14 billion *Move Illinois* Program.

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 21st 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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