

## **ILLINOIS TOLLWAY NEWS**

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### ELEVATOR ROAD BRIDGE OVER THE JANE ADDAMS MEMORIAL TOLLWAY (I-90) TO REOPEN

Repair work complete on local crossroad bridges in Winnebago County, work on I-90 mainline continues through the end of the year

**DOWNERS GROVE**, **IL** – The Illinois Tollway has completed repairs to the Elevator Road Bridge over the Jane Addams Memorial Tollway (I-90) in Winnebago County. The bridge will reopen to traffic Tuesday, November 3, and the detour signage will be removed.

Improvements on the Elevator Road Bridge included reconstructing portions of the bridge deck and beam replacement. Up to 2,300 vehicles use the Elevator Road Bridge daily.

The local crossroad bridges are being repaired to extend the life of the structures and the repairs are being done in coordination with the repairs on I-90 between Rockton Road and the Kishwaukee River Bridge.

Work to compete the mainline roadway repairs on I-90 will continue through the end of the year. Repairs include improvements to asphalt pavement and shoulders, as well as concrete pavement near the South Beloit Toll Plaza.

In 2020, the Illinois Tollway is repairing roadway pavement and bridges between Rockton Road and the Kishwaukee River Bridge to extend the life of the roadway and provide a smoother riding surface for the traveling public. Bridges scheduled for repairs included: Rockton Road, Elevator Road, Rote Road and Spring Creek Road, as well as ramp bridges going over and to I-90 from Business U.S. Route 20/State Street and northbound I-39/U.S. Route 20.

In most locations, bridge improvements included pavement patching, bridge deck rehabilitation, bridge joint replacement and repairs on bridge beams, piers and girders. Additional work includes overhead sign structure and barrier wall repairs, drainage and signage improvements and landscaping. The work is funded by the Illinois Tollway's 15-year, \$14 billion capital program, *Move Illinois: The Illinois Tollway Driving the Future*.

Maps and construction information about the I-90 Roadway and Bridge Repairs are available in the Projects section on the Tollway's website at <a href="mailto:illnoistollway.com">illnoistollway.com</a>.

#### **Work Zone Safety**

The Illinois Tollway is committed to ensuring that the Jane Addams Memorial Tollway (I-90) and local roads remain safe for both drivers and workers during construction, which is part of the agency's overall commitment to roadway safety.

Work 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.

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 \$250 and can include up to a \$25,000 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.

#### 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 eight 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 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 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.