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

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

DOWNERS GROVE, IL – Temporary, overnight lane closures are scheduled this weekend on the Reagan Memorial Tollway (I-88) and on York Road for bridge replacement work as part of the I-88 Reconstruction Project in Oak Brook.

Bridge beam removal will be scheduled during overnight hours to minimize the impact on traffic. 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, on Saturday, February 24, one lane in both directions on I-88 is scheduled to close at 7 p.m. with a second lane closing at 10 p.m.. Intermittent, full closures of I-88, each lasting 15 minutes, will be scheduled to begin at midnight, for bridge beam removal.

In addition, beginning at 7 p.m. on Saturday, February 24, traffic on York Road will be reduced to a single lane over the bridge. Traffic will be maintained in both directions with flaggers.

All lanes on I-88 and York Road are scheduled to reopen by 7 a.m. on Sunday, February 25. Similar closures are scheduled for overnight Sunday into Monday morning, February 26. If the work cannot be completed during this time, closures will be scheduled overnight Monday, February 26, and Tuesday, February 27.

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.

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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