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PAVEMENT WORK SCHEDULED TO BEGIN NEXT WEEK ON BRADLEY ROAD NEAR THE TRI-STATE TOLLWAY (I-94) IN LAKE COUNTY

Daily lane closures needed on Bradley Road, Oasis Frontage Road

DOWNERS GROVE, IL – Pavement work is scheduled next week on Bradley Road and on the Oasis Frontage Road near the Tri-State Tollway (I-94) in Lake County as the Illinois Tollway works to complete improvements as part of the Bradley Road Bridge Project.

Electronic message signs and construction signage will be put in place in advance to alert drivers to construction and lane closures. All work is weather dependent.

Throughout the week of April 22, daily, off-peak lane closures will be needed on Bradley Road between Old School Road and Polo Trail Drive and on the Oasis Frontage Road between Bradley Road and Boulton Boulevard. On both roads, traffic in both directions will be reduced at times to a single lane controlled by flaggers to accommodate paving. The Bradley Road Bridge over I-94 will remain open to traffic.

Pavement work will include milling off two inches of asphalt pavement in both directions and replacing it with a new, two-inch asphalt overlay.

In 2018, the Illinois Tollway rebuilt the Bradley Road Bridge carrying traffic over I-94 to replace the existing bridge built in the 1950s and provide a new longer and wider bridge to provide two, 12-foot lanes and 8-foot shoulders. The Tollway will complete work related to this project this spring. Up to 4,500 vehicles use the Bradley Road Bridge daily.

The Bradley Road Bridge work is being coordinated with the Illinois Department of Transportation and Lake County, as well as local municipalities, school districts, fire and police departments.

These repairs are necessary to extend the life of the bridge and provide safe and convenient travel for Tollway customers. This work is part of the Tollway's 15-year, \$14 billion capital program, *Move Illinois: The Illinois Tollway Driving the Future*.

Work Zone Safety

The Illinois Tollway is committed to ensuring the Tri-State Tollway (I-94) and local roads 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 I-94, a 45 mph work zone speed limit is in effect.

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.

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 seven 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 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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