



# ILLINOIS TOLLWAY NEWS

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## **RAMP CLOSURE SCHEDULED AT EAST RIVERSIDE BOULEVARD INTERCHANGE ON THE JANE ADDAMS MEMORIAL TOLLWAY (I-90) IN WINNEBAGO COUNTY**

*Overnight ramp closure needed for ongoing toll plaza improvements*

**DOWNERS GROVE, IL** – An overnight ramp closure is scheduled this week as part of traffic improvements underway at the East Riverside Boulevard Interchange on the Jane Addams Memorial Tollway (I-90) in Winnebago County.

On Thursday, August 22, the ramp carrying traffic from East Riverside Boulevard to eastbound I-90 is scheduled to close beginning at 10 p.m. and reopening by 5 a.m. on Friday, August 23. No detour will be posted. The full ramp closure is needed for toll plaza monotube installation and roadway signage work.

Electronic message signs and construction signage will be in place in advance to alert drivers to the closure. Up-to-date information will be posted on the Tollway website in the [Daily Construction Alert](#). All work is weather dependent.

Traffic shifts will remain in place on the ramp through the summer to accommodate ongoing work. Up to two additional nights of full closures of the ramp will be needed to complete the work. All work is scheduled to be complete by the end of the year. Work at the ramp includes installation of a toll plaza monotube as well as ramp pavement and shoulder replacement and electrical, lighting and signage improvements.

Construction is being coordinated with the Illinois Department of Transportation, Winnebago County and City of Loves Park, as well as local fire and police departments.

In 2024, the Illinois Tollway is making improvements at toll plaza systemwide to improve traffic flow and mobility. The scheduled improvements prioritize structural, safety and operational considerations. This work is part of the Tollway's 16-year, \$15 billion capital program, *Move Illinois: The Illinois Tollway Driving the Future*.

Maps and construction information are available in the Projects section on the Tollway's website at [illinoistollway.com](http://illinoistollway.com).

### **Work Zone 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.

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.

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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 with 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 16-year, \$15 billion capital program, *Move Illinois: The Illinois Tollway Driving the Future*, is improving mobility, relieving congestion, reducing pollution, creating as many as 165,220 jobs and linking economies throughout the region. The first 12 years of *Move Illinois* are on schedule and within budget, delivering the new Illinois Route 390 Tollway and a rebuilt and widened Jane Addams Memorial Tollway (I-90) with its new SmartRoad corridor, as well as 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 new I-490 Tollway 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.

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