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ROADWAY, BRIDGE AND RAMP REPAIRS BEGIN ON REAGAN MEMORIAL TOLLWAY (I-88) BETWEEN ILLINOIS ROUTE 59 AND ILLINOIS ROUTE 56

Roadway and ramp lane closures between Naperville and Sugar Grove required for repair and maintenance work

DOWNERS GROVE, IL – Maintenance and repair work is scheduled to begin next week on the Reagan Memorial Tollway (I-88) between Illinois Route 56 in Sugar Grove and Illinois Route 59 in Naperville next week and continue through fall, including work on pavement, bridges and ramps.

Electronic message signs and construction signage will be put in place throughout construction to alert drivers to scheduled lane closures, traffic patterns and work zone speed limits. Most of the work will be performed during the allowable off-peak lane closure hours to minimize the disruption to commuters. All work is weather dependent.

“These types of repairs are necessary to keep the Tollway in good condition for years to come,” said Illinois Tollway Executive Director José Alvarez. “We work to limit lane closures to temporary overnight and weekend hours to minimize the impact of construction on daily commuters.”

During the week of June 24, repair work is scheduled to begin with off-peak lane closures in both directions between Mitchell Road and Orchard Road for pavement repair and shoulder removal and replacement.

Work scheduled to continue through June will include shoulder repair and resurfacing between Illinois Route 56 and Illinois Route 59. In the coming months, bridge repairs and pavement patching will be scheduled primarily between Illinois Route 56 and the Aurora Toll Plaza.

In 2019, the Illinois Tollway is repairing the roadway between Illinois Route 56 in Sugar Grove and Illinois Route 59 includes repairing asphalt and concrete pavement on I-88, asphalt shoulder repairs and bridge repairs as well as guardrail, landscaping and roadway drainage and signage upgrades.

In addition, repairs are scheduled to ramps at Orchard Road and Illinois Route 31, and local road improvements on Orchard Road, Illinois Route 25, Randall Road, Illinois Route 31, Eola Road and the EJ & E Railroad over I-88. Ramps work include pavement patching and shoulder resurfacing. In most locations, local crossroad bridge improvements will include pavement patching, bridge deck rehabilitation, bridge joint replacement and repairs on bridge beams, piers and girders.

The I-88 interchanges are being rehabilitated to continue to provide convenient access to local communities and support economic opportunities. This work is part of the Tollway’s 15-year, \$14 billion capital program, *Move Illinois: The Illinois Tollway Driving the Future*.

The project is being coordinated with the Illinois Department of Transportation, City of Aurora, Village of Sugar Grove, Village of North Aurora, the DuPage County, Kane County, and the BNSF Railway, as well as local fire and police departments.

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Maps and construction information about the I-88 Roadway Resurfacing and Bridge Repair work is available on the Tollway's website at illinoistollway.com via the Interactive Tollway map and under "Projects Overview" in the Explore Projects section.

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.

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.

Getting Tollway Construction Information

- The Illinois Tollway has a variety of ways customers can get the latest travel information, including: illinoistollway.com – Interactive Tollway Map for construction and live roadway images.
- [Daily construction alerts](#) – Daily and long-term lane and shoulder closure schedules.
- [Twitter.com](#) – Real-time roadway incident information at Tollway Trip 90, Tollway Trip 88, Tollway Trip 355, Tollway Trip 94/294 and Tollway Trip 390.

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* 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) and planning for emerging projects.

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.