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LANE REDUCTIONS AND TRAFFIC SHIFTS SCHEDULED AT THE RIVER ROAD TOLL PLAZA ON THE JANE ADDAMS MEMORIAL TOLLWAY (I-90) FOR IMPROVEMENTS

Work to upgrade toll plaza scheduled to continue through summer 2026

DOWNERS GROVE, IL – Lane reductions and traffic shifts are scheduled to begin the week of May 5 at the River Road Toll Plaza on the eastbound Jane Addams Memorial Tollway (I-90) for toll plaza canopy removal and plaza improvements which will allow for better traffic flow and operations. Construction is scheduled to continue into 2026.

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

Extended lane reductions and traffic shifts are scheduled to continue through summer 2026 at the River Road Toll Plaza to accommodate the removal of the toll plaza canopy and barrier wall, as well as the installation of new monotube and tolling infrastructure. Improvements will also include shoulder and barrier reconstruction on the ramp bridge carrying traffic from the Tri-State Tollway (I-294) over River Road, as well as drainage improvements at both locations.

During the week of May 5, lane closures are scheduled to begin on the far right side of the River Road Toll Plaza primarily serving traffic entering eastbound I-90 from the Tri-State Tollway (I-294). The mainline I-90 Open Road Tolling lanes will not be impacted by the toll plaza work.

A work zone will be put in under the existing toll plaza canopy structure, beginning with the closure of the far left I-PASS lane, leaving two remaining I-PASS lanes open with a work zone on the right. Delays are expected. Traffic is scheduled to remain in this configuration into summer 2025 and will be followed by new traffic shifts closing two I-PASS lanes on the right, leaving one I-PASS lane open with a work zone on the left.

As part of the work, additional nightly closures will be scheduled as needed on I-90, and off-system daily lane and sidewalk closures will be needed on Hawthorne Street and River Road in the Village of Rosemont and Devon Avenue in the City of Des Plaines to accommodate toll plaza, bridge and drainage work.

Closures are being coordinated with the Illinois Department of Transportation, Pace Suburban Bus, City of Des Plaines and the Village of Rosemont, as well as local fire and police departments.

In 2025, toll plaza improvements are scheduled systemwide to upgrade equipment and replace outdated toll plaza facilities, including removal of median islands and canopies, which allows for improved traffic flow and operations. This work is part of the Tollway's 16-year, \$15 billion *Move Illinois* capital program, and the seven-year, \$2 billion Bridging the Future capital plan.

Maps and construction information are available in the Projects section on the Tollway's website at illinoistollway.com.

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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.

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 13 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 Bridging the Future

Approved by the Illinois Tollway Board of Directors In December 2024, Bridging the Future is a seven-year, \$2 billion plan designed to continue infrastructure improvements, bridging the gap between the agency’s current and next long-term capital program. Based on stakeholder feedback and engagement, Bridging the Future is addressing ongoing modernization initiatives and continuing to support investments in the people and firms working to improve regional mobility.

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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