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The Illinois Tollway Driving the Future

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**LONG-TERM LANE CLOSURES SCHEDULED
AT FOUR NORTH TRI-STATE TOLLWAY (I-94) RAMP TOLL PLAZAS**

I-PASS customers will retain access at all times, cash customers will need to pay online at times

DOWNERS GROVE, IL – Long-term lane closures for repairs at four North Tri-State Tollway (I-94) ramp toll plazas are scheduled to begin the week of April 27. Electronic message signs will be put in place to alert drivers in advance of the closures and to direct drivers through the toll plazas during repairs. All work is scheduled to be complete this summer.

The Illinois Tollway is repairing guardrails, barrier walls, curbs and gutters at the Buckley Road (Illinois Route 137), Townline Road (Illinois Route 60) and Half Day Road (Illinois Route 22) westbound entrance and eastbound exit ramps on I-94. In addition, similar work is scheduled on the Lake Cook Road eastbound exit ramp. All work is scheduled to be complete this summer.

While ramp repairs are underway, no more than one toll collection lane will be closed at a time. I-PASS customers will have access at all times, while cash customers will be directed to pay tolls online at www.illinoistollway.com within the Illinois Tollway's seven-day grace period when lanes with automatic coin machines are closed. I-PASS is accepted at all times in cash lanes throughout the Tollway system.

Buckley Road (Plaza 20) and Townline Road (Plaza 22) Ramps

Weather permitting, work is scheduled to begin the week of April 27 on the eastbound exit and westbound entrance ramps with toll plazas at both Buckley Road and Townline Road. Work will begin with closure of the I-PASS or Pay Online lanes for approximately two weeks, after which the cash lanes will close and the I-PASS or Pay Online lanes will reopen for all traffic. Cash customers wishing to access the Tollway via the I-PASS lanes will need to pay online within seven days of using the toll plaza. Repairs at both locations are scheduled to be complete by Memorial Day weekend.

Half Day Road (Plaza 23) Ramps

Weather permitting, work is scheduled to begin the week of May 4 on the eastbound exit and westbound entrance ramps with toll plazas at Half Day Road. Work will begin with closure of the I-PASS or Pay Online lane for approximately two weeks, at which time the cash lane will close and the I-PASS or Pay Online lane will reopen. Cash customers wishing to access the Tollway via the I-PASS lane will need to pay online within seven days of using the toll plaza. Work is scheduled to be complete by early summer.

Lake Cook Road (Plaza 26) Ramp

Work is scheduled to begin in May on the eastbound exit ramp at Lake Cook Road. Because Lake Cook Road has three toll collection lanes, access for both cash and I-PASS customers will be retained throughout the work. Work is scheduled to be complete this summer.

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. Drivers should continue to watch for changing traffic patterns and use caution at all times.

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 14-year jail sentence for hitting a roadway worker.

Illinois Tollway Keeps Drivers Informed

The Tollway offers the following ways for drivers to get the latest travel information before they get on the road:

- www.illinoistollway.com – Construction/Planning section, Tollway Trip Calculator, live roadway images and real-time roadway incident information
- 1-800-TOLL-FYI – Daily lane closure and travel information
- www.travelmidwest.com – Real-time travel times
- www.twitter.com – Real-time roadway incident information at Tollway Trip 90, Tollway Trip 88, Tollway Trip 355 and Tollway Trip 94/294

About Move Illinois

The Illinois Tollway's 15-year, \$12 billion capital program, *Move Illinois: The Illinois Tollway Driving the Future*, will improve mobility, relieve congestion, reduce pollution, create as many as 120,000 jobs and link economies across the Midwest region. *Move Illinois* will address the remaining needs of the existing Tollway system; rebuild and widen the Jane Addams Memorial Tollway (I-90) as a state-of-the-art 21st century corridor; construct a new interchange to connect the Tri-State Tollway (I-294) to I-57; build a new, all-electronic Elgin O'Hare Western Access and fund planning studies for the Illinois Route 53/120 Project, Illiana Expressway and other 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 286 miles of interstate tollways 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) and the Tri-State Tollway (I-94/I-294/I-80).

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