



ILLINOIS TOLLWAY NEWS

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ILLINOIS TOLLWAY EXPECTS MORE THAN 9 MILLION VEHICLES ON ITS SYSTEM THIS FOURTH OF JULY HOLIDAY WEEKEND

Tollway reminds drivers to be prepared to make travel more enjoyable

DOWNERS GROVE, IL – The Illinois Tollway anticipates more than 9.3 million vehicle trips systemwide over the Fourth of July holiday weekend, with Thursday, July 1, and Friday, July 2, being the busiest travel days with more than 1.8 million vehicle trips each day compared to the 1.6 million daily average.

“The upcoming long Fourth of July weekend offers the opportunity for families to travel via the Illinois Tollway system and tollways in other states, and we are reminding drivers to stay safe this holiday,” said Illinois Tollway Executive Director José Alvarez. “And, we’d remind drivers the Tollway offers I-PASS and Pay By Plate to make travel easier and hassle-free.”

To accommodate holiday travel on the Illinois Tollway, most temporary maintenance and construction lane closures will be suspended from noon on Friday, July 1, through 9 a.m. on Tuesday, July 6. Some work may continue behind barriers to keep work on schedule. Areas where ongoing [construction work zones](#) and traffic shifts may impact traffic include throughout the Tri-State Tollway (I-94/I-294/I-80) and on the Reagan Memorial Tollway (I-88).

Traveling in town? No I-PASS, no problem. All drivers have a 14-day grace period to pay unpaid tolls. The [Pay By Plate](#) service allows customers to simply provide a license plate, dates of travel, and a payment method and then the Illinois Tollway will take care of the rest. Drivers can also set up the service ahead of travel.

Planning an out-of-state road trip? The addition of Florida toll roads to the E-ZPass network makes paying tolls more convenient for I-PASS customers driving east and south. I-PASS can now be used in 17 states that are part of the [E-ZPass network](#).

Need help on the road? Drivers should [dial *999 for roadway assistance](#) to get help from Tollway roadway maintenance crews or from [Illinois State Police District 15](#) who patrol the Tollway system 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Motorist aid patrols stand ready to help stranded customers change tires, jump-start batteries, add coolant, dispense fuel, transport customers, move vehicles away from traffic and call for a tow truck.

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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