

ILLINOIS TOLLWAY NEWS

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LONG-TERM RAMP CLOSURE, DETOUR SCHEDULED TO BEGIN NEXT WEEK AT ILLINOIS ROUTE 83 INTERCHANGE ON REAGAN MEMORIAL TOLLWAY (I-88)

Closure of ramp from westbound I-88 to southbound Illinois Route 83 scheduled to continue into October to complete bridge repair work

DOWNERS GROVE, IL – A long-term closure and detour of the ramp connecting the westbound Reagan Memorial Tollway (I-88) to southbound Illinois Route 83 is scheduled to begin next week and continue into October as repair work continues on the Illinois Route 83 Bridge.

Electronic message signs and construction signage will be put in place in advance to alert drivers to the ramp closure and detour as well as lane closures on I-88 needed to complete bridge repair work. Up-to-date closure and detour information will be posted on the Tollway website and in the <u>Daily Construction Alert</u>. All work is weather dependent.

On Tuesday, September 2, beginning at 9 p.m. and continuing into October, the ramp connecting westbound I-88 to southbound Illinois Route 83 is scheduled to close with a posted detour. Overnight lane closures also will be needed on I-88 to close the ramp.

During the ramp closure, a detour will be posted routing westbound I-88 traffic to Highland Avenue, Butterfield Road and 22nd Street to access Illinois Route 83.

Additional overnight and off-peak closures will be needed on Illinois Route 83 in both directions for bridge beam placement.

The shoulder and a portion of the left turn lane on northbound Illinois Route 83 are currently closed. All lanes on southbound Illinois Route 83 remain open. All lanes on I-88 also remain open.



Work is underway to remove and replace damaged beams and repair damage caused when the underside of the Illinois Route 83 Bridge was struck by a construction excavator being hauled by a truck/trailer in late May. Repair work is expected to continue into the fall.

The Tollway is coordinating repair work with the Illinois Department of Transportation and local municipalities.

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.