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LONG-TERM CLOSURE SCHEDULED TO BEGIN NEXT WEEK ON TOWNHALL ROAD BRIDGE OVER THE JANE ADDAMS MEMORIAL TOLLWAY (I-90) IN BOONE COUNTY

*Local crossroad bridge repairs scheduled
between Townhall Road and Illinois Route 47 in 2023*

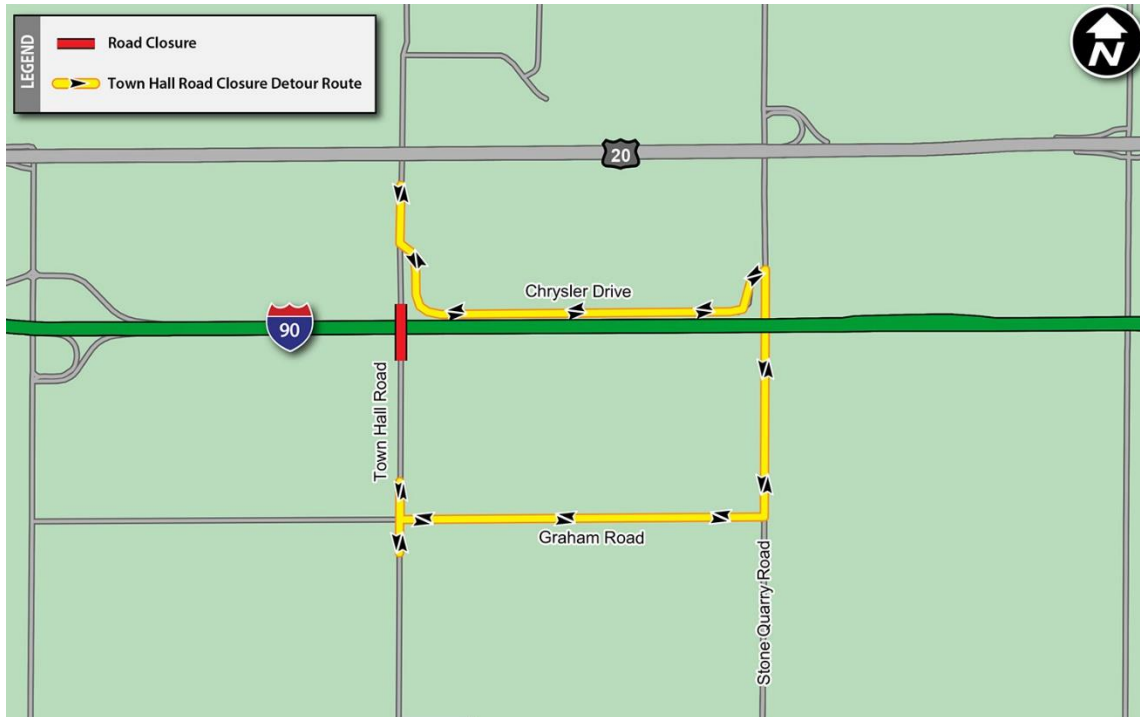
DOWNERS GROVE, IL – A long-term closure of the Townhall Road Bridge over the Jane Addams Memorial Tollway (I-90) in Boone County is scheduled to begin the week of April 3 and continue into June with a posted detour as part of Illinois Tollway work to repair multiple local crossroad bridges in 2023.

When possible, the Tollway will stage construction so bridges can remain open to traffic during repairs. However, the full closure of some bridges is necessary because the local crossroad bridges over I-90 are too narrow to accommodate traffic while safely completing the work.

Beginning Monday, April 3, and continuing into June, the Townhall Road Bridge will be closed to traffic and a posted detour will be put in place. The detour will route traffic along Chrysler Drive, Stone Quarry Road and Graham Road. Up to 475 vehicles use the Townhall Road Bridge daily.

In addition, work is also scheduled to begin the week of April 3 on the Spring Center Road Bridge also in Boone County. On Spring Center Road, daily single lane closures will be scheduled between 7 a. m. and 5 p.m. for bridge repair work. Flagger will be used to maintain bi-directional travel.

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



In 2023, the Illinois Tollway is repairing bridges on I-90 in Boone, McHenry and Kane County between Townhall Road and Illinois Route 47. Bridges scheduled for repairs include: Townhall Road, Spring Center Road, Shattuck Road, Garden Prairie Road, Harmony Road and Illinois Route 47.

In most locations, bridge improvements will include bridge joint replacement and slope wall repairs, as well as drainage and landscaping work.

All work is being coordinated with the Illinois Department of Transportation, Boone County, McHenry County, Kane County, local communities, as well as local fire and police departments.

The local crossroad bridges are being repaired to extend the life of the structures. The work is funded by the Illinois Tollway's 15-year, \$14 billion capital program, *Move Illinois: The Illinois Tollway Driving the Future*.

Maps and construction information about the I-90 bridge repair work are available in the Projects section on the Tollway's website at illinoistollway.com.

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 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 152,000 jobs and linking economies throughout the region. The first 11 years of *Move Illinois* are on schedule and within budget, delivering the rebuilt and widened Jane Addams Memorial Tollway (I-90) as a state-of-the-art 21st century corridor and 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 Elgin O'Hare Western Access Project and reconstruction of the Central Tri-State Tollway (I-294).

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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