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TRAFFIC SHIFT SCHEDULED ON 83RD STREET OVER VETERANS MEMORIAL TOLLWAY (I-355) FOR BRIDGE REPAIR WORK

Nightly lane closures on I-355 will be scheduled as needed

DOWNERS GROVE, IL – Traffic shifts are scheduled to begin next week on the 83rd Street Bridge in Woodridge as part of the Illinois Tollway's work to repair the local crossroad bridge carrying traffic over the Veterans Memorial Tollway (I-355).

Work will include bridge structure repairs, as well as sealing and guardrail work and pedestrian rail replacement. Repairs are scheduled to be complete this fall.

Electronic message signs and construction signage are in place to alert drivers to the traffic shifts scheduled throughout the work. Up-to-date information will be posted on the Tollway website in the Daily Construction Alert. All work is weather dependent.

On Monday, October 19, eastbound traffic is scheduled to shift to the left onto the striped median. Westbound traffic will not be impacted. The pedestrian path on eastbound side will also close but pedestrian access will be maintained along the westbound side.

Traffic is scheduled to remain in this configuration into November, at which time westbound traffic will shift to the inside median to complete the repair work.

On I-355, long-term shoulder closures, along with overnight lane closures in both directions will be scheduled as needed.

Construction is being coordinated with the Illinois Department of Transportation, DuPage County and Village of Woodridge, as well as local fire and police departments.

In 2026, the Illinois Tollway work on the Veterans Memorial Tollway (I-355) includes pavement and bridge repairs between I-80 and Army Trail Road in Will, Cook and DuPage Counties. Additional work includes CCTV camera installation, sign panel installation, lighting repairs, drainage improvements and pavement marking. This work is part of the Tollway's 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.

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.

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Illinois State Police have zero tolerance for drivers speeding in work zones or for 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 *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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