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OVERNIGHT DETOURS SCHEDULED AT NORTH AVENUE INTERCHANGE ON THE VETERANS MEMORIAL TOLLWAY (I-355)

Work to upgrade toll plaza scheduled to continue through the end of the year

DOWNERS GROVE, IL – Overnight ramp closures and detours are scheduled in May at the North Avenue Interchange on the Veterans Memorial Tollway (I-355) for installation of new tolling monotube and ongoing toll plaza improvements to allow for better traffic flow and operations.

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

Traffic shifts and additional overnight detours will be needed later this year to accommodate work at the ramp toll plazas. Work includes the removal of the old toll plaza canopies and barrier wall and the installation of new tolling infrastructure and plaza buildings, as well as ramp pavement and shoulder work, as well as electrical, lighting and signage improvements.

Beginning May 6 and continuing through the week of May 11, closures of the ramps connecting northbound I-355 to North Avenue and North Avenue to southbound I-355 are scheduled for plaza building work. Two nights of detours will be needed for each ramp.

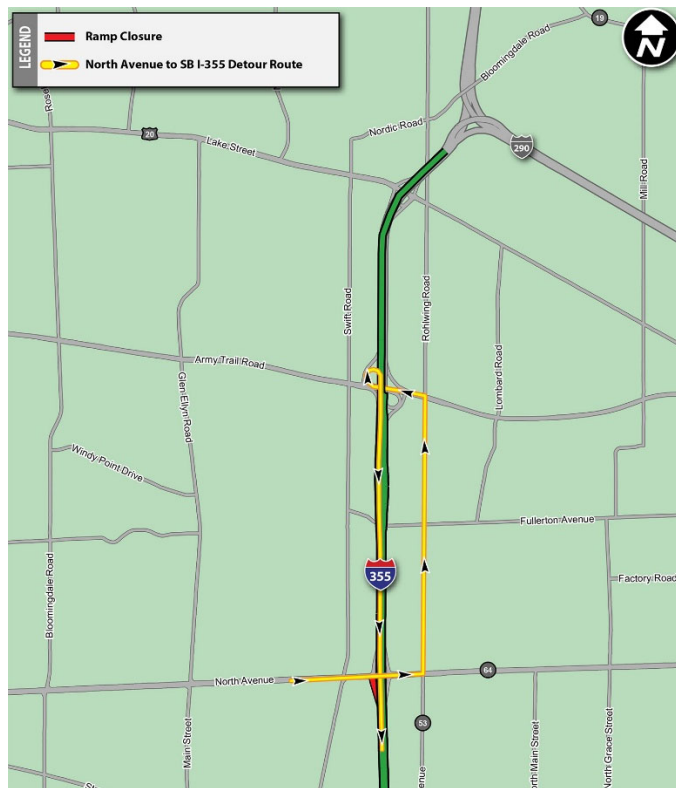
Each ramp is scheduled to close overnight with a posted detour beginning at 8 p.m. and reopening by 5 a.m. the following morning. Each ramp will only close once and will not close simultaneously.

During the closures, the following detours will be posted:

- The ramp carrying traffic from northbound I-355 to North Avenue: Traffic will be directed to exit at Army Trail Road and use Rohlwing Road (Illinois Route 53) to access North Avenue.



- The ramp carrying traffic from North Avenue to southbound I-355: Traffic will be routed to Rohlwing Road (Illinois Route 53) to Army Trail Road where drivers can access southbound I-355.



In addition, the ramps will be reduced to a single lane in mid-May through the duration of the project to allow for ongoing plaza work.

Closures and detours are being coordinated with the Illinois Department of Transportation, DuPage County, as well as local fire and police departments.

The Illinois Tollway is making improvements at toll plazas systemwide to improve traffic flow and mobility. The scheduled improvements prioritize structural, safety and operational considerations. This work is part of the Tollway's 16-year, \$15 billion capital program, *Move Illinois: The Illinois Tollway Driving the Future*, and the 7-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.

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 16-year, \$15 billion capital program, *Move Illinois: The Illinois Tollway Driving the Future*, is improving mobility, relieving congestion, reducing pollution, creating as many as 165,220 jobs and linking economies throughout the region. The first 14 years of *Move Illinois* delivered the new Illinois Route 390 Tollway and a rebuilt and widened Jane Addams Memorial Tollway (I-90) with its new SmartRoad corridor, as well as opened 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 new I-490 Tollway Project and reconstructing the Central Tri-State Tollway (I-294).

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.