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U.S. 51 work in Macon County begins next week

EFFINGHAM – The Illinois Department of Transportation announced that construction on U.S. 51 from Business U.S. 51 southwest of Decatur to just north of the Shelby County line begins the week of Aug. 17.

The work involves resurfacing, bridge repairs, guardrail upgrades and pavement markings and will require daily lane closures. Motorists can expect a smoother driving surface with this work, which is expected to be complete next spring.

Motorists can expect delays and should allow extra time for trips through this area. To avoid the work area, when feasible, use of alternate routes should be considered. Drivers are urged to pay close attention to changed conditions and signs in the work zones, obey the posted speed limits, refrain from using mobile devices and be alert for workers and equipment.

For IDOT District 7 updates, follow us on Twitter at [@IDOTDistrict7](https://twitter.com/IDOTDistrict7) or view area construction details on IDOT's [traveler information map](#) on GettingAroundIllinois.com.

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