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Work along Interstate 55 at Sangamon Avenue to close ramps beginning June 7

SPRINGFIELD – The Illinois Department of Transportation announces that repairs on Interstate 55, consisting of bridge deck overlays and bridge repairs at Sangamon Avenue and at the Sangamon River, begin June 7.

Bridge work at the Sangamon River will reduce traffic to one lane, with traffic control utilizing dynamic message signs, flaggers and barricades. Bridge work at Sangamon Avenue will be completed in stages and no lane reductions will occur on Interstate 55. However, the on ramps from Sangamon Avenue to Interstate 55 will be closed for the entire project, which is estimated to be completed in early December. A detour will be posted.

The project will consist of bridge repair and guardrail improvements. Motorists should know that this will continue to preserve the structures. Additionally, IDOT continues to stress bridge safety.

Motorists can expect delays and will need find an alternate route to enter Interstate 55 from Sangamon Avenue. 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.

Over the next six years, IDOT is planning to improve more than 3,300 miles of highway and 8.4 million square feet of bridge deck as part of the Rebuild Illinois capital program, which is investing \$33.2 billion into all modes of transportation. Year One included approximately \$2.7 billion of improvements statewide on 1,706 miles of highway, 128 bridges and 228 additional safety improvements.

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