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## Virtual public meeting set for Jan. 18 to discuss I-39 reconstruction project in Rockford and Cherry Valley

**DIXON** – The Illinois Department of Transportation will hold a virtual public meeting at 4 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 18, to discuss the status of the Phase II design of the proposed reconstruction of Interstate 39 and U.S. 20/51 in Cherry Valley and Rockford in Winnebago County. The meeting will be held online and registration is required to attend. RSVP [here](https://idot.click/I39Meeting) at <https://idot.click/I39Meeting>.

A formal presentation will begin at 4 p.m. followed by a Q&A session where attendees will have the opportunity to provide comments, ask questions and interact with IDOT representatives and the project team. To request reasonable accommodations, please call at (815) 284-2271, or by telecommunications device for the deaf (TTY) (888) 642-3457, no later than 72 hours prior to the meeting.

The project area starts on I-39/U.S. 51 north of Blackhawk Road through the system interchange with U.S. 20 and ends at the U.S. 20/Harrison Avenue interchange in Cherry Valley. The project's goals are to improve conditions at the interchanges, reduce congestion on the roadways, and improve safety and provide continuity with adjacent roadways.

The project includes the following:

- Reconstructing the I-39/U.S. 20 interchange (System Interchange) that includes expanding the I-39 northbound and southbound ramps from one to two lanes.
- Reconstructing and widening I-39 to three lanes plus an auxiliary lane from the system interchange to Harrison Avenue.
- Reconstructing 15 bridges including the U.S. 20 Kishwaukee River crossing and bridges at Perryville and Mulford Roads crossing I-39.
- Reconstructing U.S. 20/Harrison Avenue with three lanes in each direction from west of South Mall Drive to east of Mill Road.
- Converting the I-39/U.S. 20/Harrison Avenue interchange from a full cloverleaf to a diverging diamond interchange.
- Reconstructing and relocating of the Cherry Valley Path under I-39 at Madigan Creek.
- Adding a shared use path along the north side of Harrison Avenue.

More information about the I-39 reconstruction project is available on the [project webpage](https://idot.click/I39Rockford) at <https://idot.click/I39Rockford>.

Over the next six years, IDOT is planning to improve more than 2,500 miles of highway and nearly 10 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. Accomplishments through Year Three of Rebuild Illinois included approximately \$8.6 billion of improvements statewide on 4,422 miles of highway, 412 bridges, and 621 additional safety improvements.

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