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Bridge repairs on Interstate 55 over Lost Bridge Trail to cause ramp closures beginning July 5

SPRINGFIELD – The Illinois Department of Transportation announced a bridge project on Interstate 55 over the Lost Bridge Trail just south of the I-55 and Illinois 29/South Grand Avenue interchange.

Beginning Tuesday, July 5, the southbound I-55 on-ramp from Illinois 29/South Grand Avenue will be closed. Additionally, the northbound I-55 off-ramp to Illinois 29/South Grand Avenue will be closed on July 6 and 7. The Lost Bridge Trail multi-use path also will be closed intermittently throughout the project.

Traffic on Interstate 55 will be maintained using signs and temporary barriers. At least one lane of traffic in each direction will remain open at all times. Work is expected to be completed by early November. Benefits from the project include an improved driving surface and increasing the durability of the bridge deck.

Motorists wanting to use the on- and off-ramps while those ramps are closed are encouraged to follow the posted detour and should allow for extra travel time. 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 3,500 miles of highway and 9 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 Two included approximately \$5.2 billion of improvements statewide on 3,020 miles of highway, 270 bridges and 428 additional safety improvements.

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