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Southbound ramps to Illinois 47/I-55 interchange in Dwight to close overnight June 6 and 7

OTTAWA – The Illinois Department of Transportation announced today that the southbound Interstate 55 ramps at the Illinois 47 interchange (exit 220) in Dwight will close overnight on Monday, June 6, and Tuesday, June 7. The closure is necessary to reconstruct the ramp shoulders.

The ramps will close at 8 p.m. each night and will reopen by 6 a.m. each morning. A posted detour will direct southbound traffic needing to access Illinois 47 to the nearby Illinois 17 interchange (exit 217).

The work is part of a larger \$9.3 million project to replace the Illinois 47 bridge over I-55 and reconstruct Illinois 47 from Northbrook Avenue to just north of I-55. The project is scheduled to be completed later this year.

Motorists can expect delays and should allow extra time for trips through this area and be prepared for slow and stopped traffic. 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 3,535 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 in improvements statewide on 3,020 miles of highway and 270 bridges along with 428 additional safety improvements.

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