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I-74 bridge replacement resumes April 1

CHAMPAIGN – The Illinois Department of Transportation announced that work to replace two bridges on Interstate 74, one over Market Street and one over the Canadian National Railway yard in Champaign, resumes April 1 with the closure of the Neil Street ramp to eastbound I-74.

Beginning the evening of April 3, two-way traffic on I-74 will shift to the eastbound lanes while the westbound portions of the two bridges are built, with work expected to be complete by Thanksgiving. A detour for the ramp closure will be posted.

Both bridges were built during the 1950s and widened in 1992, and are in advanced stages of deterioration. Some substructure repairs, including the replacement of one pier near the Canadian National yard, will also be included in this \$33 million project, a highlight of Gov. JB Pritzker's Rebuild Illinois capital program.

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.

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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