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127th Street bridge work over I-57 begins May 23

CHICAGO – The Illinois Department of Transportation announced today that a project to repair the bridge carrying 127th Street over Interstate 57, in Calumet Park, will begin, weather permitting, Monday, May 23.

To accommodate the work, 127th Street will be reduced from two lanes to one over the bridge. The shoulders on both sides of I-57 approaching the bridge will also be closed. Motorists should also expect occasional overnight lane closures on I-57 at the bridge during that time.

The project, which consists of repairs to the bridge deck and structural steel, a new deck overlay and approaches, along with new lighting under the bridge, is expected to be completed in November.

Motorists can expect delays and should allow extra time for trips through this area. Alternative routes are strongly encouraged. Drivers are urged to pay close attention to flaggers and signs in the work zones, obey the posted speed limits and be on the alert for workers and equipment.

Over the next six years, IDOT is planning to improve more than 3,535 miles of highway and nine 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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