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Eastbound I-290 ramp to U.S. 20 closures begin Sept. 15

CHICAGO – The Illinois Department of Transportation announced today that retaining wall repairs will require closures on the eastbound Eisenhower Expressway (Interstate 290) ramp to U.S. 20 over North Avenue (Illinois 64), in Elmhurst, beginning, weather permitting, Thursday, Sept. 15.

To establish the work zone, an overnight full closure of the eastbound I-290 ramp to U.S. 20 will be required, starting at 11 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 15, to 5 a.m. Friday, Sept. 16. Beginning Friday, Sept. 16, through late November, the ramp will be reduced from two lanes to one over North Avenue. Due to the short nature of the closures, no detour will be posted. Alternative routes are encouraged.

The closures are necessary to remove and rebuild the concrete retaining wall on the northeast side of the bridge and construct new curbs. At least one lane will remain open at all times.

Motorists can expect delays and should allow extra time for trips through this area. 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 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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