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Illinois 40 construction in Sterling begins April 3

DIXON – The Illinois Department of Transportation announced today that weather permitting, construction on Illinois 40 (Locust Street) from 14th to 25th streets in Sterling will begin Monday, April 3.

The \$6.5 project will expand Illinois 40 to include a center turning lane between Miller Road and Lynn Boulevard. Other improvements include ADA sidewalk upgrades, a reconstruction of the LeFevre Road, Miller Road, 23rd Street and Lynn Boulevard intersections, and road milling and resurfacing.

Construction will be staged, with one lane open to southbound traffic between LeFevre Road and Lynn Boulevard. A marked detour will direct northbound traffic to utilize LeFevre Road and Lynn Boulevard. Two-way traffic will be restored following the completion of the new center and northbound lanes. The entire project is expected to be completed by Oct. 15.

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 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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