



IL-17 Lacon Bridge Rehabilitation

LACON, ILLINOIS - 2023

Background

The Lacon Bridge carries almost 7,000 daily vehicles on Illinois 17 over the Illinois River in Marshall County.

Built in 1939, it is one of the oldest crossings of the river and is due for major scheduled rehabilitation to extend the lifespan of the structure, improve inefficiencies and maintain safety for the traveling public.

AVERAGE DAILY TRAFFIC
6,850
VEHICLES PER DAY

The 1,573.3-foot long, 29-foot wide structure is a steel continuous through truss bridge, which last received an upgrade including superstructure replacement beams at the approach spans, floor beams at the main span and a new bridge deck in 1990.

\$10
MILLION

Funding

The \$10 million project was made possible by Gov. JB Pritzker's historic bipartisan Rebuild Illinois capital program.

Project Scope and Benefits

The current project will include steel repair, bearing rehabilitation, joint replacement, painting, bridge deck overlay, roadway lighting, drainage improvements and other related miscellaneous work.

Special Project Provisions

Special environmental accommodations will be made to prevent debris, equipment, tools, or any other construction-related materials from falling into the Illinois River. This may result in closing spans, except the main span over the navigation channel, to all river traffic at times.

Timeline & Traffic Impacts

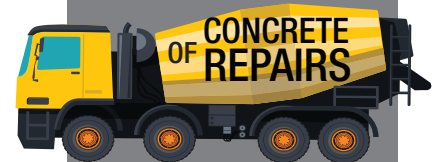
The bridge rehabilitation will begin this spring and completely close to all traffic starting March 18 - November 2023, weather permitting. The 8-month closure is necessary due to the nature of the work being performed on the structure and its narrow width, which does not allow room for staging.

All traffic on the bridge will remain closed throughout the project, while boat ramp and dock access to the Lacon Marina will remain open.

The posted detour uses Illinois 29, Illinois 18 and Illinois 26 to make the loop from Sparland to Lacon or Lacon to Sparland. See detour map on Page 2 of this flyer.

BY THE NUMBERS

180 YARDS³



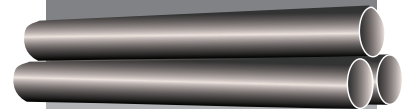
CONCRETE OF REPAIRS

300 YARDS³

OF BRIDGE DECK OVERLAY

65,000

POUNDS OF STRUCTURAL STEEL



8-MONTH

CLOSURE

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