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## Illinois 83/Illinois 137 intersection improvements

**CHICAGO** – The Illinois Department of Transportation announced today that an intersection improvement on Barron Boulevard (Illinois 83) at Buckley Road (Illinois 137) and at Atkinson Road, in Grayslake, will required closures beginning, Thursday, Sept. 21.

To accommodate the work, during the first stage of construction, Atkinson Road between Buckley Road and Belvidere Road (Illinois 120), will be closed until later this fall. A detour will direct motorists to Barron Boulevard and Belvidere Road. Additionally, Buckley Road, between south of Atkinson and Ivanhoe roads, will be shifted onto temporary pavement, with one lane in each direction remaining open. Access to residences and businesses within the work zone will be maintained throughout construction.

The \$15.9 million project will reconstruct and realign the existing angled intersection to align with the Atkinson Road extension. A cul-de-sac will be built at the existing north leg of Ivanhoe Road, where it currently intersects with Buckley Road. The project also includes modernized traffic signals, ADA-compliant sidewalk ramps and resurfacing, along with at-grade railroad crossing and drainage improvements.

The project is expected to be completed late 2024.

Motorists can expect delays and should allow extra time for trips through this area. Alternative routes are 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 <u>next six years</u>, IDOT is planning to improve more than 3,000 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 Four of Rebuild Illinois included approximately \$12.1 billion of improvements statewide on 5,339 miles of highway, 533 bridges and 762 additional safety improvements.

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