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I-72 bridge painting in Morgan County begins April 29

SPRINGFIELD – The Illinois Department of Transportation announced that bridge painting on Interstate 72 in Morgan County begins Monday, April 29.

Work will take place on seven bridges between mile markers 60 and 72. The intent of this project is to blast clean the steel structure of these bridges to remove all old paint and rust. A new paint system will be applied to preserve and prevent rusting of the steel structure.

One lane of traffic will be maintained in each direction with traffic control signs, arrow boards, temporary concrete barrier walls and barricades directing traffic. 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 <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. <u>Accomplishments</u> 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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