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Kennedy weekend lane closures continue

Major travel delays are anticipated, alternative routes are encouraged

CHICAGO – The Illinois Department of Transportation announced today that the installation of a new overhead sign structure and pavement patching on the inbound Kennedy Expressway (Interstate 90/94), in Chicago, will require lane closures over four weekends. This is the third of four planned weekend closures. The work, originally scheduled for June 29, was postponed due to inclement weather.

To complete the work, starting at midnight to 1 p.m. Saturday, July 13, weather permitting, motorists can expect various lane closures on the inbound Kennedy, between Sacramento and Grand avenues and on the outbound Kennedy from Madison Avenue to Augusta Boulevard. The Madison Avenue ramp to the outbound Kennedy also will be closed. At least two lanes in each direction will remain open.

Currently, the left lane on the inbound Kennedy from Chicago Avenue to Lake Street and on the outbound Kennedy from the Jane Byrne Interchange to Grand Avenue is closed to accommodate painting and the installation of LED lighting at Hubbard's Cave. The westbound Randolph Street ramp to the outbound Kennedy is also closed, anticipated to reopen later this fall.

To complete the work, one additional weekend lane closure will be required, as weather permits and announced in advance.

Motorists should expect significant delays and 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, slow down and be on the alert for workers and equipment. Traveling during non-peak hours and utilizing mass transit – Chicago Transit Authority's Blue Line and Metra's Union Pacific Northwest Line, as well as Pace – are recommended throughout the duration of the project, if possible.

For more information, visit https://idot.illinois.gov/projects/Interstate-90-Kennedy-Bridge-Study. The website features project details, maps, photos and fact sheets. The public can email questions to DOT.KennedyRehab@illinois.gov. For systemwide traffic and road conditions, visit www.gettingaroundillinois.com. You also can follow IDOT on Facebook and X.

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