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I-57 ramp closures at Illinois 149 in Franklin County begin Aug. 5

WEST FRANKFORT – The Illinois Department of Transportation today announced that the northbound Interstate 57 entrance ramp at Illinois 149 (exit 65) in West Frankfort will be closed for approximately five days beginning, weather permitting, Monday, Aug. 5.

The southbound I-57 exit ramp at Illinois 149 (exit 65) in West Frankfort will close for approximately five days beginning, weather permitting, Monday, Aug. 19.

The closures are necessary to reconstruct and convert the Illinois 149/I-57 intersections into two modern roundabouts with new lighting and drainage improvements. The \$6.3 million project will also include bridge repairs and safety enhancements, with pedestrian and bicycle accommodations. The overall project is expected to be completed in 2025.

Drivers are urged to pay close attention to changing conditions and all detour signs prior to the work zone, 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 3,200 miles of highway and nearly 9 million square feet of bridge deck as part of Rebuild Illinois, which is investing \$33.2 billion into all modes of transportation. <u>Accomplishments</u> through Year Five of Rebuild Illinois include approximately \$16 billion of improvements statewide on 6,541 miles of highway, 686 bridges and 986 additional safety improvements.

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