

State of Illinois JB Pritzker, Governor



Illinois Department of Transportation Omer Osman, Secretary

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

May 28, 2024

CONTACT:

Maria Castaneda 312.447.1919 Guy Tridgell 312.343.1731

Inbound Kennedy extended weekend lane closures continue

Second of four planned weekend closures

CHICAGO – The Illinois Department of Transportation announced today that the installation of a new overhead sign structure on the inbound Kennedy Expressway (Interstate 90/94), between Grand Avenue and Ohio Street, in Chicago, will require lane closures over four extended weekends. This is the second of four planned weekend closures. Major travel delays are anticipated, alternative routes are strongly encouraged.

Starting at 10 p.m. Friday, May 31, weather permitting, to 5 a.m. Monday, June 3, an additional left lane will be closed on the inbound Kennedy, between Milwaukee Avenue and Hubbard's Cave.

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, two additional weekend lane closures will be required, from 10 p.m. Fridays to 5 a.m. Mondays, 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, in particular, 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..