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Construction on I-57 in Iroquois County begins May 20

OTTAWA – The Illinois Department of Transportation announced today that weather permitting, construction on Interstate 57 in Iroquois County will begin Monday, May 20. The work zone is from mile marker 279 near Onarga to mile marker 286 north of Gilman.

Work includes milling and resurfacing I-57 along with the ramps at the Illinois 54 interchange (exit 280) in Onarga and the U.S. 24 interchange (exit 283) in Gilman. One lane in each direction will be closed during this \$27.9 million project, which is scheduled to be completed by the end of the year.

Motorists can expect delays and should allow extra time for trips through this area and be prepared for slow and stopped traffic. 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 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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