PROJECT OVERVIEW

Based on increased traffic demands that have caused safety and operational concerns, the Illinois Department of Transportation will be improving US 45 (LaGrange Road) from 131st Street to 179th Street in Cook County. The project traverses the Villages of Orland Hills, Orland Park, Palos Park and Tinley Park.

The scope of work involves the reconstruction and the inclusion of additional lanes to US Route 45 from 131st Street to 179th Street in Cook County in the Villages of Orland Hills, Orland Park, Palos Park and Tinley Park. The proposed US Route 45 roadway cross section will consist of 3 through lanes in each direction with a continuous landscaped barrier median and curb and gutter on each side of US Route 45. The outside through lanes will be 12 feet wide and the 2 inside lanes will be built 11 feet wide. The landscaped barrier median will be 28 feet wide. A decorative continuous lighting system will be provided along the section of US Route 45 that is located in the Village of Orland Park. The profile of US Route 45 under the METRA Railroad Bridge will be raised to alleviate recurring flooding problems at the underpass. The Village of Orland Park will be providing enhancements within their corporate limits which include median planter boxes, parkway trees, underground sprinkler system, brick sidewalk, stamped colored concrete cross walks, and monuments at corner radii.

The Department has worked closely with all the local communities within the project limits. Pedestrian and bicycle accommodations have been incorporated at various locations that match with the community's needs and future plans.

This project is staged with two through traffic lanes in both directions during the course of construction. Temporary lane closures are permitted throughout the day, except between the hours of 2:30 pm and 6:30 pm. There will be times when the contractor will be working both day and night.

The link below has been created to provide one location where the public can get details about the the US 45 Reconstruction & Widening project scope and the construction staging and schedule. The information is intended to help you understand what we will be doing and when the work is anticipated to take place. As the Department works to make this section of roadway safer for the future, we want to make sure users, residents and local business owners have up to date information on the progress of the project. If you have any questions about the project that have not been answered with the information on this Flyer please, use the “Contact Us” section on the webpage and a response will be sent to you.

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