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**PEORIA** – The Illinois Department of Transportation announces that eastbound and westbound I-74 traffic will be shifted to the newly constructed lanes from Jackson Street to just east of Morton Avenue the evening of Friday, October 11<sup>th</sup>.

The traffic shift is necessary to allow for reconstruction of eastbound and westbound lanes of I-74. Traffic will remain in this configuration until late November.

The following lane closures will be necessary to facilitate the traffic stage change:

- EB I-74 left lane and WB I-74 left lane
  - 5:30 p.m. Thursday, October 10<sup>th</sup> to 6:30 a.m. Friday, October 11<sup>th</sup>
  - 5:30 p.m. Friday, October 11<sup>th</sup> to 10:00 a.m. Saturday, October 12<sup>th</sup>

These lane closures are likely to result in significant traffic back-ups and travel delays.

The overall project is the complete reconstruction of I-74 from Pleasant Hill Road to Morton Avenue in Tazewell County, including construction of additional through lanes on I-74; reconstruction of the I-155 interchange into a new configuration; ramp improvements at the Morton Avenue interchange; removal of eight existing structures on I-74 with replacement of six of those structures; pavement removal and replacement; installation of highway lighting; and, installation of roadway drainage. The project is expected to be completed in 2015.

For more information, please visit: <http://www.dot.il.gov/ImprovingI74I155/index.html>

Please slow down and use extreme caution while driving through all work zones.

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