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Full Closure of Grand Avenue east of Skokie Highway, Part of Ongoing Project on Grand Avenue in Gurnee

CHICAGO – The Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) announced that a full closure will take place on Grand Avenue (Illinois 132) east of Skokie Highway (U.S. 41), in Gurnee, beginning, weather permitting, Friday, May 18. The closure is necessary to demolish the existing Union Pacific Railroad bridge, part of the ongoing improvements on Grand Avenue between U.S. 41 and Waveland Avenue.

Beginning at 7 p.m. Friday, May 18, Grand Avenue will be fully closed at the railroad tracks located east of U.S. 41 until 5 a.m. Monday, May 21, weather permitting. A posted detour will direct eastbound Grand Avenue traffic to go on south on Skokie Highway, east on Washington Street and north on N. Green Bay Road (Illinois 131) to meet back with Grand Avenue. Westbound Grand Avenue traffic will take the reverse route.

On Monday, traffic on Grand Avenue will resume to one lane in each direction between Skokie Highway and Waveland Avenue.

The overall project consists of removal and replacement of the Union Pacific Railroad bridge. It also includes pavement reconstruction and widening on Grand Avenue, as well as widening of the southbound U.S. 41 ramp. The overall project will be completed in Spring 2019.

Motorists can expect delays and should 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 and be on the alert for workers and equipment.

Click [here](#) to find details on other construction projects in IDOT's District 1. Updates on the impacts to traffic are available at www.travelmidwest.com

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