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New lane configuration on inbound Eisenhower

CHICAGO – The Illinois Department of Transportation announced that lane and ramp closures will take place, weather permitting, during the overnight hours Tuesday, Oct. 30, on the inbound Eisenhower Expressway (Interstate 290), in Chicago, to adjust lane configurations in the work zone as part of the ongoing Jane Byrne Interchange reconstruction.

Starting at 11 p.m. Tuesday, lanes will be closed on the inbound Eisenhower until the expressway is reduced to one lane between Damen Avenue and the Old Chicago Post Office at midnight. The inbound Eisenhower ramps to the outbound Kennedy Expressway (Interstate 90/94) and outbound Dan Ryan Expressway (Interstate 90/94) will be closed as well.

In the new traffic pattern, which will be in effect by 5 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 31, inbound Eisenhower traffic continuing to eastbound Congress Parkway will be in the two left lanes from Racine Avenue to the Wells Street. Traffic accessing the outbound Kennedy will be in the center lane. Traffic to the outbound Dan Ryan will be in the right lane.

The inbound Eisenhower’s Canal Street exit will be closed until Fall 2019. A detour will direct traffic to Wells and Harrison streets to reconnect with Canal Street.

The closures will allow for improvements on the inbound Eisenhower, including new pavement, retaining walls and drainage.

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.

The overall reconstruction project at the Jane Byrne Interchange will improve safety and traffic flow for the more than 400,000 motorists who use it each day, while also enhancing mobility for bicyclists, pedestrians and transit users in the surrounding neighborhoods. For more information and to view a live camera feed of the work zone, visit www.circleinterchange.org.

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