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## PRESS RELEASE – FLOODING UPDATE #8

*As of 4/7/19 at 11:00 am*

**Collinsville, Illinois** – The Illinois Department of Transportation announces plans to conduct debris removal plus inspections of culverts and roadways which could be positioned to be reopened and allow safe passage to all in the next 48 hours - pending the results of these efforts. Please be alert for equipment and workers on roadway segments which have experienced area rivers recede: IL 155 near Prairie du Rocher, IL 3 at Mary's River in Chester, IL 3 near Cora, IL 96 in Mozier, IL 100 through Alton, and the intersection of IL 3/100 in Grafton.

The following continue to be closed at this time: **BRUSSELS FERRY; Kaskaskia Street and IL 3 Truck By-Pass (Water Street) in Chester; IL 96 from the junction of County Highway 2 to Crooked Creek Hollow Road near Mozier; Southbound traffic on US 67 at the Clark Bridge, near West Alton,** continues to be shifted to the northbound lanes; **all lanes of IL 155 outside of Prairie du Rocher; IL 3 at IL 100 in Grafton; IL 96 at IL 100 in Calhoun County; IL 100 from Hardin to Kampsville; IL 3 at Mary's River to the levee at Cora /Jackson County Line (updated); IL 100 from US 67 to Williams Street in Alton; IL 100 from IL 3 to Stump Lake Road in Grafton.**

The Department will continue monitoring State roadways in the affected areas of Illinois. Based upon current hydrological forecasts, flooding has or may require closure of State Highways and Ferries along the Illinois and Mississippi Rivers. Over the next several days, we will provide updates, as warranted, when developments occur.

Traffic control devices and directional signage, including dynamic message boards, have been deployed to guide motorists safely around major closures. Travelers are advised to consider alternate routes or allow additional time to travel known flood prone areas. Regardless, all motorists are urged to be patient, reduce speed and exercise added caution throughout the Metro East region – as traffic patterns and travel times will likely be affected.

Since this is a very dynamic situation, please see the Department's website: <http://www.idot.illinois.gov/home/Comm/emergency-road-closures> for the latest information on roadway closures throughout Illinois. Detailed information on the Metro East is also available at <http://apps.dot.illinois.gov/stl-traffic/>. For IDOT District 8 updates on Twitter, please follow us at [@IDOTDistrict8](https://twitter.com/IDOTDistrict8).