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PRESS RELEASE – FLOODING UPDATE #38

August 13, 2019 Update as of 4 PM

Collinsville– The Illinois Department of Transportation announces the **OPENING** of the following roadway and service impacted by the historic flood:

- **IL 16/100 from the Joe Page Bridge intersection in Hardin to Eldred Road in Jersey County, and**
- **Joe Page Bridge.**

After 152 consecutive days of impacts to the transportation system in District 8, all roadways, facilities and services impacted by the Flood of 2019 have been restored.

However, these road closures continue due to the heavy rains of the last 36 hours:

- *IL 160 approximately 2.7 miles south of IL 140 near Grantfork in Madison County and*
- *Marine-St. Jacob Road in Madison County.*

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. We will continue to 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).

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