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PRESS RELEASE – IL 160 UPDATE
August 16, 2019 Update as of 3:00 PM

Grantfork – The Illinois Department of Transportation announces the temporary opening of the following roadway: **IL 160 approximately 2.7 miles south of IL 140 near Grantfork in Madison County.**

In an effort to open this roadway until material can be delivered for permanent repairs, IL Route 160 will open as of 3:00 PM today with a **20-ton weight limit restriction** and a **reduced speed limit of 40 mph.** These restrictions will be strictly enforced.

Traffic control devices and directional signage, including dynamic message boards, have been deployed to guide motorists safely around this closure. **Travelers are urged to avoid this area due to the above restrictions.** Regardless, all motorists are urged to be patient, reduce speed and exercise added caution.

Since this is a very dynamic situation, please see the Department’s website: [http://www.idot.illinois.gov/home/Comm/emergency-road-closures](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/](http://apps.dot.illinois.gov/stl-traffic/). For IDOT District 8 updates on Twitter, please follow us at [@IDOTDistrict8](http://twitter.com/IDOTDistrict8).

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