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## PRESS RELEASE – FLOODING UPDATE #20

As of 5/5/19 at 11:30 am

Collinsville— The Illinois Department of Transportation announces an UPDATED CLOSURE: **NB US 67 at IL 100 in Alton.** 

In addition, these road and facility closures <u>continue</u> due to the persistent flooding: IL 3 Truck By-Pass (Water Street) in Chester, IL 155 outside of Prairie du Rocher, Brussels Ferry, SB US 67 in West Alton, Missouri (two-way traffic is established on the NB Lanes), Kaskaskia Street in Chester, IL 100 from US 67 in Alton to IL 16 in Jersey County, IL 96 between County Highway 2 and Pike County Line in Calhoun County, IL 100 in Calhoun County just North of the Joe Page Bridge to Pearl, IL, and IL 3 at Mary's River to the Jackson County line in Randolph 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. Over the next several days, we will provide updates, as warranted, when developments occur.

In the next 48 hours, we expect two additional closures: full intersection (NB and SB) of US 67 @ IL 100 in Alton and the intersection of IL 108/100 in Kampsville.

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: <a href="http://www.idot.illinois.gov/home/Comm/emergency-road-closures">http://www.idot.illinois.gov/home/Comm/emergency-road-closures</a> for the latest information on roadway closures throughout Illinois. Detailed information on the Metro East is also available at <a href="http://apps.dot.illinois.gov/stl-traffic/">http://apps.dot.illinois.gov/stl-traffic/</a>. For IDOT District 8 updates on Twitter, please follow us at <a href="mailto:@IDOTDistrict8">@IDOTDistrict8</a>.

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