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Illinois 9 bridge at Niota to close Sept. 24 *Daytime inspection to last two days*

NIOTA – The Illinois Department of Transportation announces that the bridge that carries Illinois 9 across the Mississippi River at Niota will close Tuesday, Sept. 24.

The closure is necessary for the BNSF Railway to inspect the bridge and will be between the hours of 9 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Sept. 24 and Sept. 25. Iowa-bound traffic will need to use Illinois 96 south to Hamilton and use U.S. 136 to cross the river. Emergency vehicles needing cross at Illinois 9 will be allowed through but will need to contact the bridge operator.

Motorists can expect delays and should allow extra time for trips through this area. Drivers are urged to pay close attention to changed conditions and signs in the work zones, obey the posted speed limits, refrain from using mobile devices and be alert for workers and equipment.

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