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Kennedy Expressway improvement project continues

CHICAGO – The Illinois Department of Transportation announced today that as part of ongoing improvements to the Kennedy Expressway (Interstate 90), the outbound ramp to Canfield Avenue will close, weather permitting, March 16.

The closure, previously scheduled for early March, is necessary to rebuild the ramp and retaining walls. A detour will direct traffic to the Cumberland Avenue (Illinois 171) exit and Higgins Road (Illinois 72).

At the same time, eastbound Higgins Road (Illinois 72) between Canfield Avenue and Oriole Avenue will close. A detour will direct traffic to Canfield, Foster and Harlem avenues. In addition, westbound Higgins Road will be reduced to one lane.

The Kennedy improvements, between Harlem Avenue (Illinois 43) and Interstate 190, includes widening and resurfacing, new noise and retaining walls, drainage improvements, as well as a new collector-distributor road at the Cumberland Avenue interchange along the outbound expressway.

The Canfield Avenue ramp and Higgins Road are expected to fully open to traffic in September.

Motorists can expect delays and should allow extra time for trips through this area. Drivers are urged to pay close attention to flaggers and signs in the work zones, obey the posted speed limits and remain alert for workers and equipment.

Click [here](#) to find details on other construction projects in IDOT's District 1. Updates on the impacts to traffic are available at www.travelmidwest.com.

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