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I-55 bridge work at Sherman begins March 16

SHERMAN – The Illinois Department of Transportation announces that construction on northbound Interstate 55 just north of Springfield will begin March 16.

The work involves replacing the deck and joints of the bridge that carries I-55 over the Union Pacific railroad at the Sherman interchange (exit 105) and will be done in two stages to minimize traffic disruption. There will be no lane closure during the initial stage, and during the second stage one lane will be closed with the open lane potentially reduced in width. The project is expected to be complete by June 1.

Replacing the bridge deck will give motorists a smoother ride, and replacing joints will assure the bridge's safety and preserve its integrity.

Motorists can expect delays and should allow extra time for trips through this area. To avoid the work area, when feasible, use of alternate routes should be considered. 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.

For IDOT District 6 updates, follow us on Twitter at [@IDOTDistrict6](https://twitter.com/IDOTDistrict6) or view area construction details on IDOT's [traveler information map](https://www.idot.gov/traveler-information-map) on [GettingAroundIllinois.com](https://www.gettingaroundillinois.com).

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