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Dixon, IL – The Illinois Department of Transportation announces today that weather permitting, construction work on IL 251 from the Wisconsin state line to south of Forest Hills Road in Machesney Park will begin on March 30, 2020. Rock Road Companies, Inc. will be completing the \$11,822,357 project involving pavement patching, cold milling, HMA resurfacing, guardrail reconstruction, and traffic signal updates.

Nightly lane closures will be utilized from Forest Hills Road to Elevator/Hononegah Road. Daytime lane closures will be utilized from Elevator/Hononegah Road to the Wisconsin State Line during completion of work. In-roadway work is expected to be completed by October 9, 2020.

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 2 updates on Twitter, follow us at [@IDOTDistrict2](https://twitter.com/IDOTDistrict2) or view area construction details on IDOT's [traveler information map](#) on [GettingAroundIllinois.com](http://GettingAroundIllinois.com).

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