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Chicago Avenue bridge work starts this week

CHICAGO – The Illinois Department of Transportation announced today that starting this week a bridge deck overlay with joint repairs on Chicago Avenue over the Des Plaines River, in Maywood and River Forest, will require lane closures.

The project will be carried out in two stages with each lasting approximately two months. To complete the work, starting this week, Chicago Avenue will be reduced to one eastbound lane from First Avenue (Illinois 171), in Maywood, to Thatcher Avenue, in River Forest. Westbound traffic will detour via Thatcher, North (Illinois 64) and First avenues. During the second stage one lane in each direction will be open. The project is expected to be completed in late August.

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 be on the 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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