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## Kingery Highway lane closures begin Tuesday

**CHICAGO** – The Illinois Department of Transportation announced today that repairs to the bridge carrying Kingery Highway (Illinois 83) over the Chicago Sanitary & Ship Canal, in Lemont, will begin, weather permitting, Tuesday, Sept. 8.

Starting at 9 a.m. Tuesday, Kingery Highway will be reduced to a single southbound lane, from Bluff Road to 107<sup>th</sup> Street/Archer Avenue (Illinois 171). During that time, a detour will direct northbound traffic to Archer Avenue, Willow Springs Road and 55<sup>th</sup> Street. All lanes will be open by late November with intermittent daytime lane closures to allow for steel repairs as needed.

Additionally, the bike trail along the bridge will be closed until late October.

The project, which includes a bridge deck overlay with structural steel repairs and joint replacement, is expected to be completed before the end of this year.

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.

Over the next six years, IDOT is planning to improve more than 3,300 miles of highway and 8.4 million square feet of bridge deck as part of the Rebuild Illinois capital program, which is investing \$33.2 billion into all modes of transportation. Year One included approximately \$2.7 billion of improvements statewide on 1,706 miles of highway, 128 bridges and 228 additional safety improvements.

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