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PEORIA – The Illinois Department of Transportation announces that a traffic staging shift for the I-74 interchange at Morton Avenue will take place Wednesday, May 22nd.

Eastbound I-74 traffic traveling to northbound and southbound Morton Avenue will be combined onto the current exit ramp to northbound Morton Avenue. Access to southbound Morton Avenue will be provided via left turn at a newly signalized intersection. The current exit ramp from eastbound I-74 to southbound Morton Avenue will be closed for reconstruction.

Northbound and southbound Morton Avenue traffic traveling to westbound I-74 will be combined onto the current entrance ramp from northbound Morton Avenue. Southbound Morton Avenue traffic will access the ramp via left turn at a newly signalized intersection. The current entrance ramp from southbound Morton Avenue to westbound I-74 will be closed for reconstruction.

The overall project is the complete reconstruction of I-74 from Pleasant Hill Road to Morton Avenue in Tazewell County, including construction of additional through lanes on I-74; reconstruction of the I-155 interchange into a new configuration; ramp improvements at the Morton Avenue interchange; removal of eight existing structures on I-74 with replacement of six of those structures; pavement removal and replacement; installation of highway lighting; and, installation of roadway drainage. The project is expected to be completed in 2015.

For more information, please visit: <http://www.dot.il.gov/ImprovingI74I155/index.html>

Please slow down and use extreme caution while driving through all work zones.



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