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The SWITCH OVER is Coming
June 13th • Are You Ready?

Work continues to move forward, on schedule, with the Northern section of the I-255 Rehabilitation Project and preparations are now being made for the big switchover to the South section. Beginning Saturday, June 13th, the Illinois Department of Transportation plans to close the Southern section of I-255 between I-64 and Illinois 15, and open the Northern section, from I-55/70 to I-64.

Like the Northern section, the Southern section will be completely closed and no traffic will be allowed in either direction. Signed detour routes utilizing I-55/70 and I-64 will be provided by the Department and local traffic is expected to continue to use alternate ancillary routes to bypass the closure. The closure is anticipated to last approximately 5 months, with the opening of the entire 7-mile corridor to occur in late November.

The work consists of rehabilitating and resurfacing this crumbling section of roadway as well as some bridge and ramp repairs, safety improvements and drainage upgrades. This project is one of the first under Governor JB Pritzker’s Rebuild Illinois Capital program. It will restore the roadway and bridges to a smooth and safe condition for motorists, supporting future investment in the region.

Closing I-255 completely has allowed the project to progress on a faster timeline and removing traffic has made it safer for both workers and motorists. Additionally, it has saved taxpayers approximately $14 million.

For more information, signed detour maps and alternate routes, please visit our project website:
www.idot.illinois.gov/projects/I-255-resurface-project