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Overnight I-55 lane closures at Illinois 59 in Will County

CHICAGO – The Illinois Department of Transportation announced today that construction of a new bridge carrying northbound Illinois 59 over Interstate 55, in Will County, will require overnight lane closures starting at, weather permitting, 9 p.m. Monday, April 19.

To complete the work, motorists should expect overnight lane closures from 8 p.m. to 5 a.m. Sunday through Thursday, from 9 p.m. Friday to 11 a.m. Saturday and from 8 p.m. Saturday to 11 a.m. Sunday. Three lanes in each direction with lane widths reduced to 11 feet will remain open during the daytime.

The new structure is being built next to the existing south bridge, as part of advance work for a new diverging diamond interchange at I-55 and Illinois 59. Work on the new bridge is expected to be completed by 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.

The eventual conversion of a diverging-diamond interchange at I-55 and Illinois 59 and larger improvements to the [I-55 at Illinois 59 corridor in Will County](#) are a cornerstone project in Gov. JB Pritzker's Rebuild Illinois capital program, which will invest \$33.2 billion in transportation infrastructure across all modes throughout the state. The estimated \$75.5 million I-55 at Illinois 59 access project is included in IDOT's current multi-year program. The project also received a federal BUILD Grant for work on both the state and local systems.

The project will convert the existing partial-access interchange at I-55 and Illinois 59 into a full-access, diverging-diamond interchange, add auxiliary lanes on I-55 between Illinois 59 and U.S. 52, improve the intersection of Illinois 59 and Seil Road, relocate and reconstruct the East Frontage Road to provide necessary distance from the interchange, and provide bike and pedestrian accommodations to Illinois 59 crossing I-55.

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 Rebuild Illinois, 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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