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Illinois 31 over U.S. 20 bridge work begins April 1

CHICAGO – The Illinois Department of Transportation announced today that a project to replace the bridge carrying Illinois 31 (State Street) over U.S. 20, in Elgin, will begin, weather permitting, Monday, April 1.

To complete the work, Illinois 31 will be reduced from two to one lane in both directions, between Dana Drive and Oak Street. U.S. 20 will also be reduced to one lane in each direction, between Grace Street and McLean Boulevard. Additionally, motorists should also expect various lane shifts on Illinois 31 and on U.S. 20 approaching the bridge, along with various overnight lane closures on U.S. 20 at the bridge during that time.

Access to local residences and businesses will be maintained throughout construction.

The \$19 million project consists of replacing the existing bridge with a new wider structure, widening the existing interchange ramps, installing new LED lighting and modernize traffic signals and constructing new sidewalks with ADA-compliant ramps and curbs.

The project is anticipated to be completed in summer 2026.

Motorists can expect delays and should allow extra time for trips through this area. Alternative routes are encouraged. 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 <u>next six years</u>, IDOT is planning to improve more than 3,000 miles of highway and nearly 10 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. <u>Accomplishments</u> through Year Four of Rebuild Illinois included approximately \$12.1 billion of improvements statewide on 5,339 miles of highway, 533 bridges and 762 additional safety improvements.

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