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Major Interstate Work

Work to Begin on Tuesday, October 5, 2010

Location – On Interstate 57/70 from the Little Wabash River to south of US Route 40 in Effingham County

The Illinois Department of Transportation has announced that construction work will begin on Interstate 57/70 on October 5, 2010. Preliminary layout work on traffic control has already begun for this project.

This project is the first phase of the Interstate 57/70 reconstruction around Effingham. Work on this portion includes the replacement of the structures carrying Interstate 70 over the Little Wabash River west of Effingham. This project also includes 2.1 miles of pavement reconstruction and resurfacing operations to facilitate the interstate reconstruction from the south tri-level complex to south of US Route 40. Several operations for this project will take place from 7:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. with all lanes open to traffic during daylight hours. Delays are expected during the construction and motorists are asked to use extreme caution, have patience and use alternate routes when possible.

McCarthy Improvement Company of Davenport, Iowa is the prime contractor and Steve Miller is the Resident Engineer for the Department of Transportation. Questions concerning this project should be directed to Mr. Miller at (217) 342-4523 or Charlie Slavens at the Effingham office at (217) 342-3951.

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