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Iowa DOT offers additional travel options for travelers between Sabula, Iowa and Savanna, Ill. during bridge construction project

SABULA, Iowa – June 8, 2018 – An earlier than anticipated closure of the U.S. 52 bridge in Sabula, coupled with construction delays has lead the Iowa DOT to offer additional travel options for those working to cross the Mississippi River between Sabula, Iowa and Savanna, Ill.

Monday, June 11 - Complimentary transit bus service will be offered in the following locations. (1) Lake and Sycamore (Sabula), (2) MacLean-Fogg 2551 Wacker Road (Savanna), (3) Elkay Manufacturing Co. 6400 Penn Avenue (Savanna), and (4) Sullivan’s Foods 217 Chicago Avenue (Savanna). Stops run from approximately 5:50 a.m. – 6:40 p.m. on weekedays and 7:50 a.m. – 6:40 p.m. on weekends. Service is being offered on a trial basis and will be reevaluated based on usage and customer feedback. For more information about this service call (800)-839-5005 (Region 8 Regional Transit Authority).

Tuesday, June 12 - Complimentary vehicular/passenger ferry service is anticipated to be available from noon – 6 p.m. After service launch, services will be available 6:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m., 7-days a week. Watch for signage in the area that will help direct travelers to landing, staging, and parking areas.

In addition, the 36-mile detour utilizing the Iowa 136 bridge in Clinton has been in place since the closure of the U.S. 52 bridge:

Traffic moving from Iowa to Illinois - Take U.S. 67 south to Iowa 136 east in Clinton, crossing the river on the Iowa 136 Bridge. Take IL 84 north to connect with U.S. 52 in Savanna, IL.

Traffic moving from Illinois to Iowa – Take IL 84 south to Iowa 136 west, crossing the river on the Iowa 136 Bridge. Take U.S. 67 north to connect with U.S. 52 in Sabula.

The Iowa DOT anticipates the new bridge will open by Labor Day, 2018. The construction schedule is tentative and subject to weather and other conditions. Project information, service interruptions, and construction and mobility updates are made available at https://iowadot.gov/sabulabridge/.

The latest traveler information is available anytime through our 511 system. Visit 511ia.org; call 511 (within Iowa) or 800-288-1047 (nationwide); stay connected with 511 on Facebook or Twitter (find links at https://iowadot.gov/511/511-social-media-sites); or download the free app to your mobile device.

To receive email or text alerts about traffic incidents, road closures, traffic delays, and other restrictions that affect this highway route or other routes you travel, the Iowa DOT offers the “Your 511” option on 511ia.org. It’s easy to subscribe to Your 511 and sign up to receive the email/text alerts. Visit https://iowadot.gov/511/511-full-feature-website-help/how-to-videos for simple, step-by-step instructions.

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