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New Lane, Ramp Configuration on Outbound Eisenhower at Byrne Interchange

CHICAGO – The Illinois Department of Transportation announced that a new traffic configuration will be in place the morning of Friday, Oct. 30, weather permitting, on the outbound Eisenhower Expressway (Interstate 290), just west of Interstate 90/94, as part of the larger project to reconstruct the Jane Byrne Interchange.

Between Peoria and Racine streets, the expressway will be reduced from four lanes to three lanes, with the lane widths narrowed to 11 feet. The inbound Dan Ryan Expressway and Kennedy Expressway (Interstate 90/94) ramps to the outbound Eisenhower will merge to become one lane.

The new configuration, expected to remain place until May 2016, is necessary for the construction of new retaining walls and storm sewers.

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.

Please visit <u>www.circleinterchange.org</u> for complete project details and closure information, including a streaming high-resolution view of the work zone. For regular updates on this and other projects, follow IDOT on <u>Facebook</u> and <u>Twitter</u>.