

**ILLINOIS TOLLWAY**

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Dear Resident:

The Illinois Tollway's Central Tri-State Tollway (I-294) Project continues to reconstruct and widen the roadway from Balmoral Avenue to 95th Street. As we have shared with you in the past, the project is replacing old infrastructure and providing congestion relief to meet future transportation demands and address regional needs. The project began in 2018 and is scheduled to be complete in 2026.

As part of the ongoing construction, we continue to share information with you about work that may impact your area.

Mainline reconstruction and widening as needed started this year on the northbound side of I-294 with work scheduled to begin on the southbound side in 2024. The southbound side work is what will impact Hinsdale residents. Work in the area of your home will include removal and replacement of noisewalls. There will also be construction of a new underground water detention facility that was agreed to by the Tollway as a result of a request made by the Village of Hinsdale rather than installing an above ground detention area. This will in effect extend Woodland Park. Landscaping adjacent to the underground detention will be completed once the project is complete.

To prepare for construction, trees, bushes and brush will be cleared within Tollway right-of-way adjacent to I-294 between Ogden Avenue and 55th Street in October/November 2023. The removal of the trees, brush and bushes is provided for in the Intergovernmental Agreement the Village of Hinsdale has with the Illinois Tollway as part of this project.

The Tollway has made efforts to minimize tree removals within the Village right-of-way. Trees that will be removed from the Village's right-of-way have been marked with a painted "X" and trees on Village right-of-way that will require pruning so as not to encroach on the construction work zone have been marked with a ribbon.

Contractors will also install a temporary, 8-foot chain-link fencing with dark mesh to limit sight and nuisances along Tollway right-of-way. The fencing will create a work zone and prepare the area for construction.

The project requires contractors to perform the majority of the work from the Tollway right-of-way. Work requiring access from the local roads will be coordinated with the Village of Hinsdale.

We understand your proximity to this work area and appreciate your patience. The Tollway has coordinated with municipalities along the corridor throughout the design, planning and construction of this project to reduce the inconvenience this construction project has on local communities near the Tollway.

For more information on the Central Tri-State Tollway Project, visit the Project section on the Illinois Tollway website at www.illinoistollway.com. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact our construction communications team via email at 294tristate@getipass.com or our 24/7 construction hotline at 630-246-2930.



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Sincerely,

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