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PRESS RELEASE

East St. Louis

Location – EB I-55/70 from I-55/70/64 Split to Exchange Avenue in East St. Louis.

The Illinois Department of Transportation announced today that eastbound I-55/70 from the I-55/70/64 split to Exchange Avenue in East St. Louis will be reduced to one lane of traffic. This lane restriction is necessary to set steel beams over the interstate.

The lane restrictions will be in place each night from 7:00 PM until 5:00 AM the following morning, weather permitting. The nightly lane closures will start Wednesday, February 20, 2012 and continue through the early morning of Friday, February 22, 2013. Motorists should also expect intermittent 15 minute road closures while the beams are being lifted over the traffic lanes. Traffic will then be allowed to clear after each closure.

The Department asks that motorists be patient, reduce speed, and use extreme caution when traveling near and throughout this work zone. In addition, please obey the work zone speed limit signs and allow extra time when traveling through the project.

The contractor on this project is Keeley and Sons, Inc. of East St. Louis, Illinois. John Scheibal is the Supervising Field Engineer for the Illinois Department of Transportation in this area. If you have any questions concerning this project, you may contact him at 618/346-3353.

Additional information is also available at www.stl-traffic.org/

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