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BRIDGE RE-CONSTRUCTION PROJECT RESUMES NEXT WEEK NEAR O'HARE INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

O'Hare travelers advised to allow extra time during peak travel periods

(CHICAGO) On Tuesday evening, April 1, 2008, the Department of Aviation will begin the second and final phase of bridge and roadway rehabilitation work on I-190 over Bessie Coleman Drive. This project will involve certain lane and ramp closures, and is expected to be completed by the end of May 2008.

The southbound Mannheim Road exit ramp to West I-190 into O'Hare International Airport will be closed for the duration of the construction project. Motorists driving south towards the airport on Mannheim Road will be detoured just south of Higgins Road to Bessie Coleman Drive via Zemke Road.

A portion of one of three lanes on I-190 West will be closed during the entire construction period. Temporary lane closures will occur on Bessie Coleman Drive from 10 p.m. to 5 a.m. Monday through Saturday; leaving one lane of traffic available in each direction.

Lane closures will affect the flow of traffic in and around O'Hare; therefore, air travelers should allow ample time for getting to the airport. Peak travel commute periods include Sunday afternoon and evening, Monday morning and Thursday afternoon and evening.

The first phase of the bridge re-construction project was completed in Fall 2007.

A map of the construction zone is attached.

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The Chicago Airport System is self-supporting, using no local or state tax dollars for operations or capital improvements at O'Hare and Midway International airports. Together, Chicago's airports generate more than \$45 billion in annual economic activity and 540,000 jobs for the region. Please visit www.flychicago.com to learn more about the Chicago Airport System.

Department of Aviation

I-190 Westbound Bridge Rehabilitation (Phase 2) with Ramp Closure





Starting April 1, 2008 through late May 2008

Chicago O'Hare International Airport

From Mannheim North: Right turn on **Zemke Rd.** Continue onto **Bessie Coleman Dr.** heading **South**. After 2 signals turn right onto **I-190 West** to Terminals 1, 2 and 3.

From I-190 (Kennedy): Expect delays due to lane closures

-  I-190 Westbound Bridge Rehabilitation and Ramp Closure
-  Detour Route

