



I-94 MODERNIZATION PROJECT E-UPDATE

Welcome to the I-94 e-Update. Every month, we send you the latest happenings on the I-94 project. We'd love to hear from you, too!

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Advanced Bridges

The leaves are turning and the weather is getting colder, but that hasn't slowed our construction teams' progress. At the Gratiot Avenue bridge site, the bridge footing (the structure on which the bridge sits) has been constructed and walls are being formed. The photo at the top-right shows the forms and reinforcing steel prior to pouring the concrete.

At the Chene Street bridge, underground utility work continues along with preparations for paving the south half of the eastbound service drive. Several more panels are being fabricated and will be installed to complete the fence. While the old fence was vertical, the new fence is slanted to improve safety ... and because it looks better.

But here's the **BIG** news:

Construction on both bridges is headed for the finish line! The Chene Street bridge is expected to open just before Thanksgiving and the Gratiot Avenue bridge is anticipated to be back open before Christmas! (That's an even better holiday treat than turkey and cranberry sauce!) Stay tuned for more updates on the I-94 website, social media and local news outlets.

Weekend Closures

These closures will be underway for the next three weekends for ongoing bridge replacement and pavement repair.

Eastbound Closure

9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 26 – 5 a.m. Monday, Oct. 29

- ⊗ Eastbound lanes closed from I-75 to Conner Street for extensive pavement repair.
- ⊗ **Detour:** Northbound I-75 to eastbound Eight Mile Road, to eastbound I-94.

Full Closure

8:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 2 – 5 a.m. Monday, Nov. 5

- ⊗ Eastbound and westbound I-94 will be closed between Conner Street and I-75 to set new beams at the Gratiot Avenue bridge and to remove three pedestrian overpasses on Rohn, Springfield, and Helen streets.
- ⊗ Surface street ramps will close at 7 p.m..
- ⊗ Freeway-to-freeway interchange ramps will close at 8 p.m..



At the Gratiot Avenue Bridge, getting ready for the next concrete pour.



At the Chene Street Bridge, new fencing that is both safer and more attractive.

- ⊗ **Detour:** Westbound traffic will be detoured to westbound Eight Mile Road to southbound I-75 and back to westbound I-94. Eastbound traffic will be detoured via northbound I-75 to eastbound Eight Mile Road, and back to eastbound I-94. One westbound lane on I-94 will be maintained to Conner Street for local traffic.

Westbound Closure

9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 9 – 5 a.m. Monday, Nov. 12

- ⊗ Westbound I-94 will be closed from Conner Street to I-75 for extensive pavement repair.
- ⊗ **Detour:** Westbound Eight Mile Road to southbound I-75 to westbound I-94.

For maps of the upcoming closures and detours, visit our website at:

i94detroit.org/news-information/detours-and-traffic-updates/