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## **MDOT reminds motorists of upcoming ramp closure at I-94/I-696 interchange**

**July 13, 2010** -- The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) today issued a reminder to motorists that the ramp from eastbound I-696 to eastbound I-94 in Macomb County will close at 8 p.m. on Thursday, July 15. The ramp closure is needed in order to reconstruct the ramp, and is scheduled to open in late October.

During the full closure, traffic wanting to access eastbound I-94 will be directed to use northbound M-3 (Gratiot Avenue) to eastbound 16 Mile Road (Metro Parkway). The posted detour was selected due to each roadway's capacity to accommodate commercial vehicles.

In conjunction with the ramp reconstruction, demolition work will require the full closure of eastbound and westbound I-94 beginning at 10 p.m. on Friday, July 16 and ending by 5 a.m. on Monday, July 19. The full closure will take place between 10 Mile and 12 Mile roads.

The posted detours for eastbound and westbound I-94 through-traffic will utilize M-102 (Eight Mile Road), M-3, and Metro Parkway. Local traffic will be allowed to proceed up to 10 Mile Road on eastbound I-94 and up to 12 Mile Road on westbound I-94.

Over the weekend, crews also will close the ramp from eastbound I-94 to westbound I-696. Motorists can use the I-94 detour to access M-3 to connect with westbound I-696.

This work is in association with the \$31 million investment to reconstruct the interchange. This year's work is expected to wrap up in late November.

For up-to-date information on this project, go to the list of statewide lane closures at: [www.michigan.gov/drive](http://www.michigan.gov/drive). Follow MDOT at [www.twitter.com/MichiganDOT](http://www.twitter.com/MichiganDOT) or [www.facebook.com/MichiganDOT](http://www.facebook.com/MichiganDOT)

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**MDOT says: Construction work zones need your undivided attention.**



## Project 1

MDOT will oversee a \$12.8 million investment in Wayne County to rehabilitate the I-275/I-94 interchange in the city of Romulus. Included in this investment is the resurfacing of more than 2 miles of northbound and southbound I-275 between Northline Road (south of I-94) and Hannan Road (north of I-94). Work is scheduled to begin in March and be completed in November. During the project, several interchange ramps will be closed and detoured. The resurfacing work will be coordinated with the interchange work to maximize mobility and minimize inconvenience to motorists. For more information regarding Project 1, contact the MDOT Taylor Transportation Service Center at 313-375-2400.

## Project 2

MDOT will oversee a \$1.6 million investment in Wayne County to resurface more than 5 miles of eastbound I-94 from Wayne Road to Beech Daly Road in Romulus and Taylor. Work will be conducted on nights and weekends, and is scheduled to begin in April and be completed in July. Included in this work is the reconstruction of the ramps leading to and from Ecorse Road to eastbound I-94. For that portion of the project, expect an around-the-clock single-lane closure at Ecorse Road. For more information regarding Project 2, contact the MDOT Taylor Transportation Service Center at 313-375-2400.



## Project 3

MDOT will oversee a \$2 million investment in downtown Detroit to replace freeway lighting on I-94 between the I-96 and I-75 interchanges. The project includes upgrades to the freeway tower lighting at the I-94/M-10 interchange. Work is scheduled to begin in April and be completed in November. This work will require around-the-clock far left-lane closures for 10 weeks. For more information regarding Project 3, contact the MDOT Detroit Transportation Service Center at 313-965-6350.

## Project 4

MDOT will oversee a \$31 million investment in Macomb County to rehabilitate the I-94/I-696 interchange in St. Clair Shores and Roseville. Included in this investment is the resurfacing of 3 miles of eastbound and westbound I-94 between 8 Mile Road and 11 Mile Road. The project also includes ramp and bridge rehabilitation at the interchange, reconstructing eastbound and westbound I-696 between the interchange and Nieman Road, and upgrading utilities and freeway lighting. Work will begin in April and be completed in December 2011. For more information regarding Project 4, contact the MDOT Macomb Transportation Service Center at 586-978-1935.



## Project 5

MDOT will oversee a \$23 million investment in St. Clair County to reconstruct more than 3.5 miles of eastbound and westbound I-94 between Allington Road and St. Clair Highway in Casco, Columbus and St. Clair townships. Included in this project are rehabilitation work at the Fred Moore Highway interchange, and replacing the bridges that carry eastbound and westbound I-94 over the Belle River. Traffic will be maintained at all times via traffic shifts, with one lane open in each direction. Work will begin in April and be completed in November. For more information regarding Project 5, contact the MDOT Port Huron Transportation Service Center at 810-985-5011.

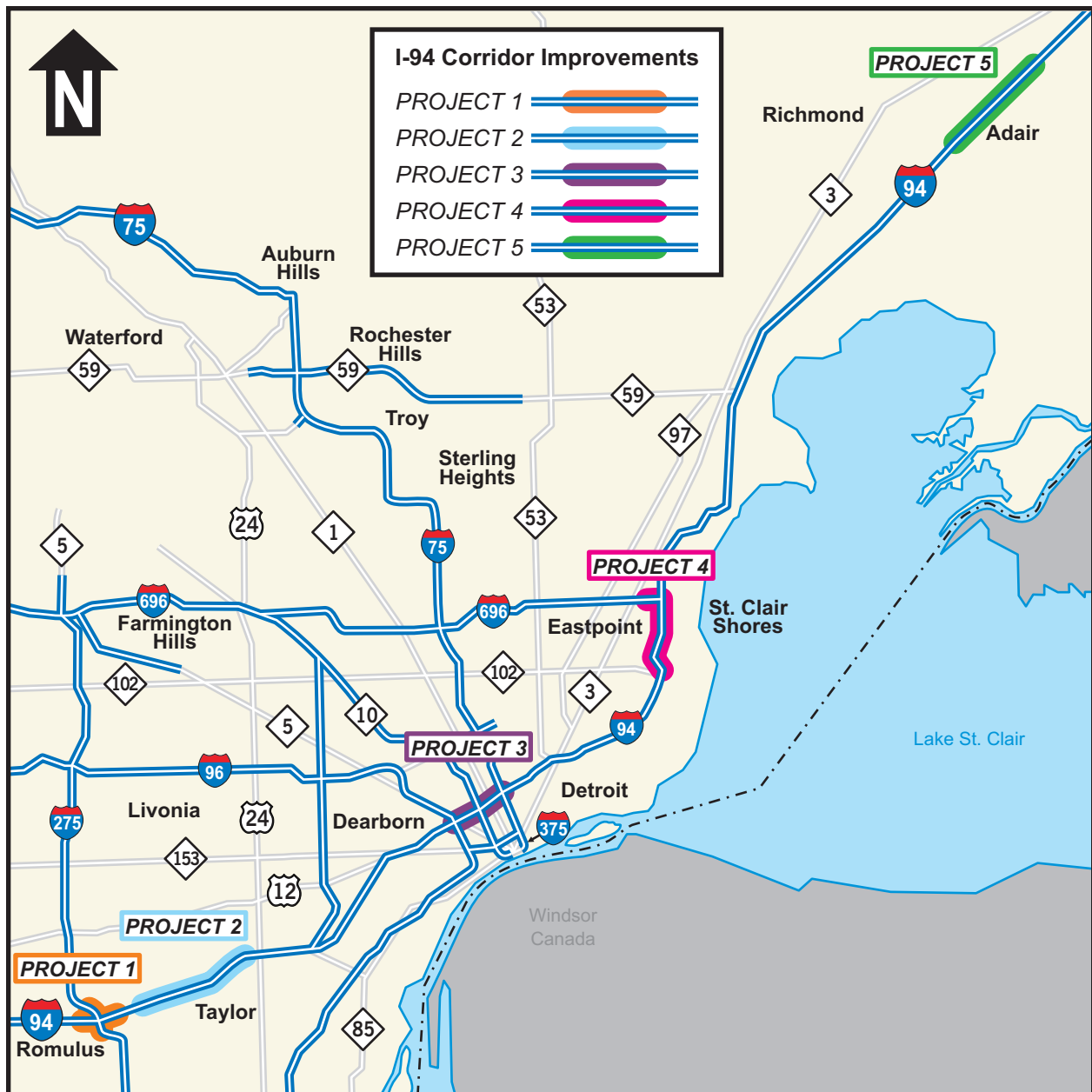


# I-94 Corridor Improvements

## Wayne, Macomb and St. Clair counties

### What is Being Done?

The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) is investing approximately \$70 million in Wayne, Macomb and St. Clair counties to make extensive improvements to more than 18 miles of pavement on the I-94 corridor. Included in the work is the rehabilitation of two major interchanges and upgrades to drainage, lighting and electronic signs. The work is divided into five separate projects. These projects are designed to improve safety and promote economic vitality on this heavily traveled corridor.



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