## **MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**



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## Major Project to Begin Soon on Interstate 55

Work will soon begin on a project in Jefferson County that could cause some significant traffic impacts on Interstate 55 throughout much of 2017.

The project to rehab 21 bridges on northbound and southbound I-55 from just north of Route Z to the Ste. Genevieve County line will require overnight and weekend lane closures for much of the year.

There are no plans for any full interstate closures, but we do expect there to be some significant traffic delays while we are out working.

Remember to use the zipper merge when you are driving through these work zones. Rather than merging as soon as you see the

closure warning signs, you should fill up both lanes of traffic and take turns merging just before the closure point. This actually helps traffic flow better. For more information on how a zipper merge works, go to http://www.modot.org/workzones/ZipperMerge.htm.

The project, which will also make pavement and guardrail improvements, begins in March and will be completed in the fall of 2018. The project was awarded to Magruder Paving for \$14 million.

## Did You Know? We're Here All Day, Every Day

Just because it's after hours or the weekend doesn't mean we're not here to help you. Our customer service staff are available 24-hours a day, 365 days a year to take your calls and answer your questions.

In 2016, they took over 217,000 calls. Of the 12,000 call reports they wrote, 937 were in Franklin County and 1,270 were in Jefferson County.

The 24-hour customer service number is 1-888-ASK-MODOT.





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To report a road concern, contact MoDOT Customer Service at 314-275-1500 or toll free at I-888-ASK-MODOT (1-888-275-6636)

