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IMPROVE I-70 MONTHLY REPORT

Missouri's FY2024 budget approved through the state legislative process and signed into law by the governor provides \$2.8 billion in General Revenue to build a third lane of I-70 across the state from Blue Springs to Wentzville.

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PUBLIC HEARINGS HELD FOR BLUE SPRINGS TO ODESSA PROJECT

MoDOT and its Design-Build contractor team recently held two public hearings for the Blue Springs to Odessa project on August 4 (Blue Springs) and August 5 (Odessa). Over 160 members of the public and numerous elected officials attended the hearings to learn more about the proposed designs, traffic control plans, and construction schedule. Construction is scheduled to begin in September with anticipated completion in late 2028.

Meeting materials and a space to provide comments regarding the project are available now through Sept. 3, 2025. Those interested can utilize the webform on the project website to submit comments and questions.



Approximately 160 people attended the public hearings for Improve I-70: Blue Springs to Odessa.



SAVE THE DATE: BLUE SPRINGS TO ODESSA GROUNDBEAKING CEREMONY

A groundbreaking ceremony for the third Improve I-70 Program project, Blue Springs to Odessa, is scheduled for **10 a.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 9** in the parking lot of MO Country located at 401 S. Outer Road E. Grain Valley, MO 64029. This groundbreaking event celebrates the start of construction of the third project of the historic Improve I-70 Program. This \$350 million Design-Build project will add a third lane to each direction on Interstate 70 from just west of MO Route 7 in Blue Springs to approximately MO Route H (mile marker 45.3). The project also includes I-70 interchange improvements at Route D in Bates City and at MO Route 131 in Odessa.

COLUMBIA TO KINGDOM CITY CELEBRATES NEW PAVING MILESTONE



*Photo shows **former** eastbound I-70 configuration prior to recent traffic switch. Motorists are now driving on brand new eastbound pavement.*



Since May 2025, eastbound I-70 traffic between Callaway County Routes J (mile marker 137) and M (mile marker 144) had been shifted into what was formerly the I-70 median while crews worked to reconstruct the existing I-70 lanes in the area. On Aug. 15, crews successfully shifted eastbound I-70 traffic back onto newly paved eastbound lanes in this area. This new pavement is high quality, full depth concrete pavement that will last for many years to come.

In late August, crews will begin to reconstruct the existing westbound lanes in this area. Motorists are advised to plan ahead, leave early, and allow for extra time when navigating the work zone. Learn more: www.modot.org/node/74016

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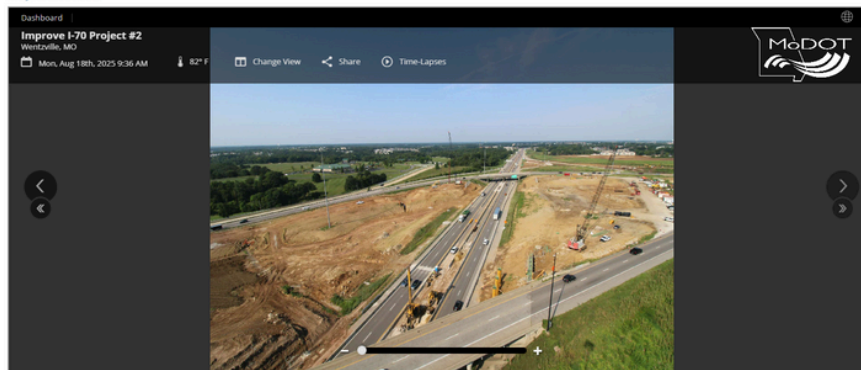


WARRENTON TO WENTZVILLE NOW HAS TIMELAPSE CAMERA

The Improve I-70: Warrenton to Wentzville project website now features a a timelapse camera to view construction of the I-70/I-64/U.S. Route 61 interchange. Users can now view construction progress in real time. This project features a variety of improvements along I-70 between Warrenton and Wentzville.

To stay up to date on all of the upcoming work, visit the project website and sign up for project press releases.

Project Live Feed



Improve I-70: Warrenton to Wentzville project website now features a timelapse camera to view construction progress at the I-70/I-64/U.S. Route 61 interchange.

SAVE THE DATE: I-70 AND ROUTE T/W INTERCHANGE AT FORISTELL PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING

Tuesday, Sept. 9, 2025 | 4 to 6 p.m.

Foristell City Hall located at 121 Mulberry St, Foristell, MO 63348



MoDOT and its Design-Build contractor team for Improve I-70: Warrenton to Wentzville will host a public information meeting regarding the planned interchange improvements at I-70 and Route T/W in Foristell. This is an informational meeting covering the design of the interchange, traffic control plans, and schedule. Meeting materials will be available on the project website beginning Sept. 10, 2025. Learn more at www.modot.org/improvei70/warrentonwentzville.

GET YOUR I-70 GAME PLAN READY FOR 2025 FOOTBALL SEASON

Construction season is underway and will continue throughout the fall football season. By Sept. 2025, six work zones will be in place along the I-70 corridor. **Travel across the state via I-70 and through these major work zones will require extra time.** Work zones include narrowed lanes, atypical lane configurations, and reduced speeds. MoDOT and its contractors are doing everything possible to minimize impacts during peak travel times, but increased game day traffic this football season is expected to add to travel delays. Other ways you can prepare:



BE PREPARED:

- Sign up for project e-mails at www.modot.org
- Refer to MoDOT's Traveler Information Map for the latest work zone information.
- Plan ahead and leave for your destination early and allow for extra time.
- Be prepared for work zone delays.
- Anticipate reduced speeds and abide by the speed limits.
- Pay attention in work zones as there could be narrowed lanes and atypical lane configurations.
- Account for any unexpected impacts such as extra game day traffic, rush hour, crashes, etc.
- Minimize the risk of potential impacts by following the speed limit, not driving distracted, and planning for sober drivers.

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