## **39/90** Beloit Area Interstate Reconstruction **IMPROVING** *a gateway to Wisconsin Know Before You Go*

Since fall 2018, work has occurred on Phase 1 of the Interstate 39/90 expansion, from the Illinois state line to Cranston Road, and I-43 reconstruction between I-39/90 and County X/Hart Road in Beloit.

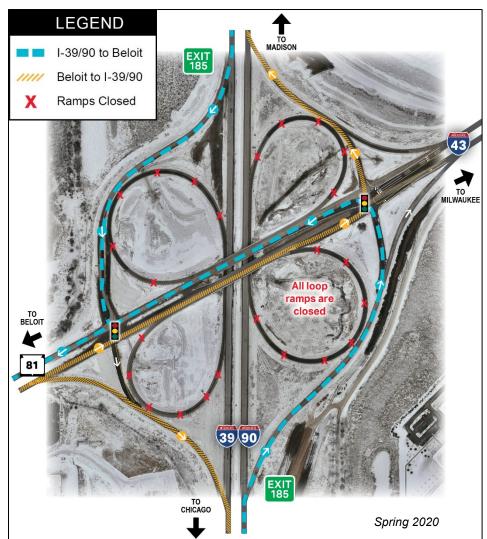
Phase 2 of the Interstate project in Beloit is underway with work focusing on the area around the I-39/90 and I-43/WIS 81 interchange (Exit 185). The cloverleaf ramps, that transition motorists between highways, were replaced last fall with interchange ramps in a temporary diamond configuration. The temporary ramps provide room for construction crews and allows motorists to navigate the area until the flyover ramps and a new Diverging Diamond Interchange (DDI) are completed in fall 2021. The flyover ramps will provide free-flow, direct access from one Interstate to the other, and the DDI will move traffic between I-39/90 and WIS 81.

With the removal of the cloverleaf ramps, traffic signals are located at the temporary ramps with left and right turns onto the highways. Please be attentive to the signs, pavement markings, reduced speed limits and traffic shifts in this area.

**In spring 2020**, traffic on I-39/90 will be shifted to the existing Interstate's southbound lanes, between Hart Road and Cranston Road, and through the I-39/90 and I-43 interchange, while crews reconstruct the northbound lanes. All temporary ramps will be maintained and open to traffic as much as possible.

Construction crews are currently building piers for the future flyover ramps connecting I-43 and I-39/90. In late spring, I-43 traffic will be shifted onto the future WIS 81 alignment near the Millington Road/Gateway Boulevard intersection, with access to Beloit maintained.

**From summer to fall 2020**, I-39/90 and I-43 interchange traffic will continue to use the temporary diamond interchange configuration and the WIS 81 alignment. Be alert for traffic shifts on I-39/90 between existing pavement and new concrete pavement from Cranston Road to Hart Road. The temporary ramps will



be maintained and open to traffic as much as possible. Crews will complete the I-39/90 expansion, between Hart Road and Cranston Road, including the WIS 81 interchange ramp connections in late 2021.

## **TRAFFIC STATUS FOR 2020-2021**

- I-39/90: Two lanes remain open in each direction during daytime hours.
- I-43: One lane remains open in each direction during daytime hours.
- Periodic nighttime lane and ramp closures on both Interstates from 8 p.m. to 5 a.m. weeknights.
- Access to the Beloit Rest Area and Wisconsin Welcome Center will be closed for three months in late summer/fall 2020 for parking lot upgrades.



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