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Upcoming Improvements to I-55 Cloverleaf Interchange in Scott County

Southeast Missouri - Improvements to the Interstate 55/57/U.S. 60 cloverleaf interchange in Sikeston, Mo. will begin Monday, June 5, weather permitting. The interchange is located at mile marker 66. As work is underway, motorists should anticipate various lane and ramp closures.

The ramp from southbound I-55 onto northbound I-57 will be closed, with a signed detour available. The ramp is expected to reopen Monday, Aug. 7, weather permitting.

The ramp from southbound I-57 to southbound I-55 will also be closed, with a signed detour available. The ramp is expected to reopen Monday, Oct. 2, weather permitting.

Lane closures will also be in place. Southbound I-55 will be reduced to one lane with an 11-foot width restriction from mile marker 66.4 to mile marker 60. In addition, westbound U.S. 60/southbound I-57 and eastbound U.S. 60/northbound I-57 will be reduced to one lane with a 14-foot width restriction below the overpass. Completion is anticipated by Monday, Oct. 2, weather permitting.

The work zone will be marked with signs. Motorists are urged to use extreme caution while traveling near the area.

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This is the 19th year for the annual 100 Mile Yard Sale!

Dexter, Missouri - Visitors and residents will be out in full force along Route 25 Memorial Day weekend in search of bargains at the 100-Mile Yard Sale, but MoDOT wants you to remember the greatest savings of the event could be a life.

“It’s a fun weekend that people look forward to each year,” says Traffic Engineer Craig Compas, “but we want people to remember that there’s more traffic and more congestion along Route 25 this weekend than any other and drivers need to keep that in mind.”

MoDOT will do its part to bring the safety message to the forefront. Message boards will be in place along the route to alert drivers of the unusual traffic patterns and promote safe driving.

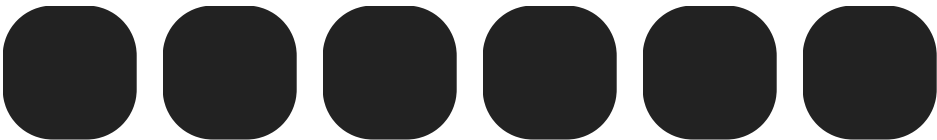
“We really want drivers to be alert—to be aware of their surroundings, to be aware of sudden stops and to look for pedestrian traffic,” Compas says. “It’s a big event locally, and we want everyone to enjoy themselves and be as safe as possible.”

For more information, contact Compas at (573) 472-5310 or call MoDOT’s Customer Service Center toll-free at 1-888-ASK-MODOT (1-888-275-6636).

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U.S. Route 60 in Stoddard County Reduced for Bridge Repairs

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U.S. Route 60 in Stoddard County Reduced for Bridge Repairs

Route 60 in Stoddard County will be reduced to one lane as Missouri Department of Transportation crews perform bridge maintenance.

This section of roadway is located between Route 51 and Route WW.

Weather permitting, work will performed Tuesday, May 16 through Thursday, May 18 from 6 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily.

The work zone will be marked with signs. Motorists are urged to use extreme caution while traveling near the area.

For additional information, contact MoDOT's Customer Service Center toll-free at 1-888-ASK-MODOT

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Flood of 2017 Breaks Records in Missouri

Missouri - The flood of 2017 in Missouri began on April 29 and Missouri continues to have roads closed due to flooding on May 11.

The total cost of this flood will not be known for months. Three bridges were completely washed away in southern Missouri, and the Interstate 44 bridge at Hazelgreen had the top layer of asphalt peeled off. Many rivers hit record crests across the state.

Here's a recap of the record breaking statistics:

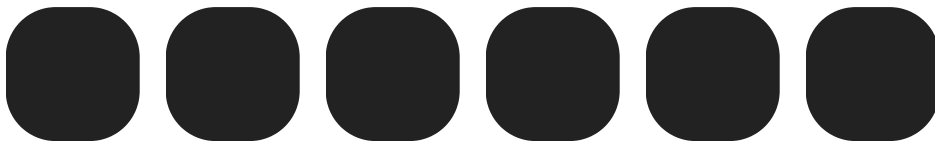
- On Sunday, April 30, Missouri peaked with 384 roads closed.
- MoDOT's Traveler Information Map reached more than 1 million visitors.

- Each day 35 to 45 MoDOT employees worked the customer service lines handling nearly 50,000 calls for the week.
- MoDOT was represented in approximately 1,500 media articles across the state.
- MoDOT's statewide Facebook page increased its following by 12,265 followers, and the page reached 4.8 million users with flooding posts.
- Due to the increased following to the MoDOT statewide Facebook page, MoDOT now has the third highest following of any DOT.
- The statewide Twitter account increased by 1,503 followers and reached 1.2 million users with flooding information.

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Sandbagging Efforts Along Route 60 at Fisk

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Sandbagging Efforts Along Route 60 at Fisk - Press Release 11:50 p.m. Tuesday, May 2, 2017

The Missouri National Guard is currently sandbagging along eastbound Route 60 at Fisk, Mo. from Route DD to the Route 60/51 junction. After examining the latest projections for the St. Francis River, the levee is a proactive measure to keep the route open.

MoDOT does not have plans to close Route 60 at this time. Travelers should use caution in this area and expect a lane reduction on eastbound Route 60 from Route DD to the Route 60/51 junction. In addition, the eastbound Route 60/51 ramp is currently closed.

For more information, please contact MoDOT's Customer Service Center toll-free at 1-888-ASK-MODOT (1-888-275-6636)

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