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# Travel Advisory

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## **CICERO AVENUE IDOT ROADWAY WORK TO IMPACT MIDWAY INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT TRAVELERS**

CHICAGO - Beginning Monday, June 7, the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) will begin work on Cicero Avenue from 46<sup>th</sup> Street to 65<sup>th</sup> Street. The work entails lane closures that will significantly impact travelers and visitors arriving at and departing from Midway International Airport.

For the first six weeks of the project, crews will perform pavement repairs. Work will begin in the southbound lanes, then switch to the northbound lanes.

For the first few weeks of the project, only two lanes of southbound Cicero will be open to traffic from 6 a.m. to 9 p.m. (one lane closed). From 9 p.m. to 6 a.m., just one lane southbound Cicero will be open to traffic (two lanes closed).

Once the southbound work is complete, work will begin on the northbound lanes.

No work will occur during the July 4 weekend.

After the pavement repair is complete, crews will resurface the roadway. More information about the traffic impacts of that work will be provided at that time.

The project is expected to be complete in November 2010.

Cicero Avenue serves as main access routes to Midway International Airport. Those traveling to and from the airport are encouraged to allow extra travel time, or to take the CTA Orange Line, as congestion is expected, especially during the rush-hour periods.

For more information on the project, visit [www.dot.state.il.us](http://www.dot.state.il.us).

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The Chicago Department of Aviation (CDA) is self-supporting, using no local or state tax dollars for operations or capital improvements at O'Hare and Midway International airports. Together, Chicago's airports generate more than \$45 billion in annual economic activity and create 540,000 jobs for the region. Please visit [www.flychicago.com](http://www.flychicago.com) to learn more about the Chicago Department of Aviation.

The CDA continues to incorporate and expand sustainable initiatives for airport planning, operations and maintenance, concessions and tenants in accordance with the CDA Sustainable Airport Manual (SAM), released in August 2009. To view case studies, lessons learned and new technologies, and for more information on the SAM, please visit [www.airportsgoinggreen.org](http://www.airportsgoinggreen.org).

The O'Hare Modernization Program (OMP), introduced by Mayor Richard M. Daley in June 2001, transforms O'Hare's airfield from an outdated system of intersecting runways into a modern parallel runway configuration. The program will reduce overall delays at the Airport by 79 percent, and bad weather delays by 95 percent. It will create 195,000 new jobs and \$18 billion in additional economic activity each year. Please visit [www.oharemodernization.org](http://www.oharemodernization.org) to learn more about the OMP.

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