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LANCASTER ROAD BRIDGE REPLACEMENT
CONSTRUCTION NEWSLETTER

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TO: Peoria County Road Users

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SUBJECT: Lancaster Road Bridge Replacement

This past week Stark poured East & West Approach Pavts. Stark worked on bridge deck form removal under bridge. Stark also set bottom row of precast concrete panels on MSE wall.

Next week MSE wall construction will continue. Work on the new water main is expected to start this week. Parapet walls on the bridge will poured on Monday.

After 6 years with Peoria County Bill Pearsall is leaving to go to work for a different agency. I am taking over the construction inspection of this job. I retired from IDOT after 33 years in construction and have worked for consultants for 15 years since then, all of them in construction.

During construction, Lancaster Road will remain CLOSED to through traffic. However, residents will still have access to their homes and property. With the existing roadway removed access will be maintained on gravel until the new pavement is installed later this year.

This project is being funded with federal and county funding. However, the federal funding is funneled through the Illinois Department of Transportation. Due to the lack of a State of Illinois budget, the County has been notified that IDOT is preparing to shut down all federal and state funded construction projects on June 30 unless the State appropriates funding. Without an appropriation, IDOT is not authorized to pay for the projects. This project will be included in the shutdown. If the shutdown occurs, and the contractor continues to work, the contractor will never be paid for any work done during the shutdown.

Shutdown of the work will delay the opening of the road. Concerns about the shutdown should be submitted to your State Legislators, State Senators, the Governor's office and Speaker Madigan's office.

Weekly newsletters can be found on the Peoria County website at:
www.peoriacounty.org/countyhighway/construction-projects/

Thank you in advance for your patience and cooperation during this project.