

Thank you for your inquiry regarding improvements to Interstate 80 (I-80) over the Des Plaines River. The bridges are safe to travel, and inspections continue to be performed to make sure it remains so. The Illinois Department of Transportation (Department) has scheduled repairs to begin this spring to improve the condition of these bridges.

In addition to the upcoming maintenance activities, the Department is completing a multiyear study which identifies a comprehensive solution to the operational and capacity needs of I-80 between Minooka and New Lenox. This project includes building the Des Plaines River bridges on new alignment. This improvement is not currently included in the Department's FY 2019-2024 Proposed Highway Improvement Program. However, this project will be included in the Department's priorities for future funding consideration among similar improvement needs throughout the region. For more project information and updates, please visit the website at [www.I-80Will.com](http://www.I-80Will.com).