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Second Avenue overpass demolition requires full weekend closure of I-94 in Detroit

Fast facts:

- MDOT is replacing the Second Avenue overpass above I-94.
- Work to demolish the overpass will require a full weekend closure starting Friday night.
- The weekend closure is between I-75 and M-10 (Lodge Freeway).

January 15, 2020 -- Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) contract crews will be demolishing the Second Avenue overpass starting at 9 p.m. Friday, Jan. 17. The demolition will require [closing I-94 between I-75 and M-10 \(Lodge Freeway\)](#) for the weekend. All lanes of I-94 are expected to reopen by 5 a.m. Monday, Jan. 20.

During this closure, westbound I-94 traffic will use southbound I-75 and westbound I-96 to go back to westbound I-94. The northbound and southbound M-10 ramps to westbound I-94 will remain open. All entrance ramps to westbound I-94 will be closed from Mt. Elliot to John R Street and will reopen by 5 a.m. Monday.

Eastbound I-94 traffic will use eastbound I-96 and northbound I-75 to go back to eastbound I-94. The eastbound I-94 ramp to southbound M-10 will remain open for local traffic. All entrance ramps to eastbound I-94 will be closed from 30th Street (west of Warren Avenue) to M-10 and will reopen by 5 a.m. Monday.

Beginning Friday night, the northbound and southbound M-10 ramps to eastbound I-94 will remain closed until fall. The ramp closures are needed for safety reasons due to their proximity to Second Avenue and an upcoming traffic shift on I-94. In addition, the John R Street entrance ramp to westbound I-94 will be closed for safety reasons. Detours will be posted for the ramp closures.

All work on this \$25.5 million project is scheduled to be completed in spring 2021. The new Second Avenue bridge will replace the current structure built in 1954 and will be the first

network tied arch bridge in the state of Michigan. During the replacement, vehicular traffic for Second Avenue will be detoured to M-1 (Woodward Avenue) to cross over I-94.

This bridge replacement is part of the I-94 modernization project in Detroit that involves rebuilding 7 miles of freeway and replacing 67 bridges between Conner Road and I-96. Follow the I-94 modernization project on the web at <https://I94Detroit.org> or follow on Facebook at www.facebook.com/I94Detroit or on Twitter at www.twitter.com/I94Detroit.

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