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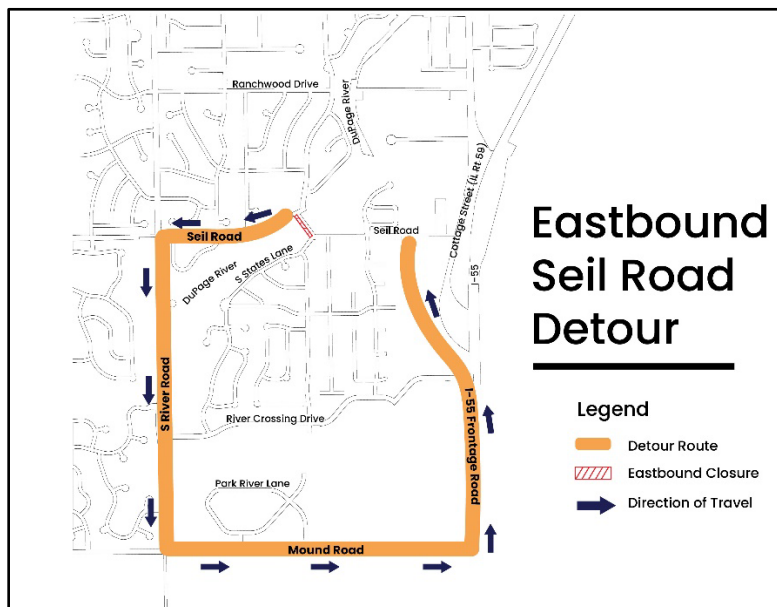
Seil Road Bridge Reduced to One Lane

Closure to commence this week, possibly starting Wednesday, May 8th

SHOREWOOD, IL – The Village of Shorewood received a bridge inspection report from the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) regarding our Seil Road Bridge over the DuPage River. The inspection results concluded that the bridge must be reduced to one lane operating in the middle of the bridge. This closure may start Wednesday, May 8th, weather permitting.

This inspection report follows a five (5) ton weight limit restriction that was put into effect in May 2023. This limit prohibits the use of the bridge by all vehicles exceeding 5 tons and requires that the bridge undergo annual inspections.

As a result of the lane reduction, traffic will only be permitted to travel westbound across the bridge. No eastbound traffic will be permitted on the bridge. The detour route for eastbound Seil Road traffic will travel south on River Road to eastbound Mound Road to northbound Frontage Road back to Seil Road. We encourage all traffic other than local residential traffic to avoid using the bridge and follow suggested detours.



The Shorewood Police Department has been tasked with enforcing the new restrictions and will monitor detour routes and the use of residential streets in the area. Traffic control devices and signage will be installed to keep traffic in the center of the bridge.

The Village had already started the engineering process to replace and reconfigure the Seil Road bridge and roadway prior to the reports from IDOT. This replacement is part of the Village's five-year Capital Improvement Plan and the Village is looking into ways to expedite improvements in light of the current situation.

Your Village officials are not only seeking your compliance with the immediate change but also to bring awareness of the current situation to those coming into our community. Your assistance in this matter is greatly appreciated and we thank you for your patience.

Any questions or concerns can be directed to the Public Works Department at 815-553-2321.