

Project Happenings



Brett Lennon, Millstone Weber Senior Project Manager assists with the bridge deck pour at New Florissant Road.



Congratulations to this year's Project Pave Cohort graduates. These high school students completed a nine month STEM focused program.



Thank you to Wendy's for providing lunch to the Millstone Weber team!

Drivers are encouraged to visit the I-270 North Project website to learn more about the planned detours and project details. MoDOT's customer service is available at 314-215-1500.

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SB LINDBERGH BRIDGE OPENS

On July 11, 2022, the southbound Lindbergh bridge over I-270 and the westbound entrance ramp to I-270 opened. A special thank you to the elected officials and community members that participated in the opening celebration.

Safety, mobility, and reliability benefits include:

- Separated northbound and southbound lanes increase traffic capacity, alleviating congestion on Lindbergh Boulevard which currently backs-up onto I-270.
- New pedestrian sidewalks, access ramps, and pedestrian signals with ADA compliance and connections through I-270 between Dunn and Pershall Rd.
- Connects Dunn Road across Lindbergh Boulevard to provide a fully continuous north outer road through the project corridor

CURRENT AND UPCOMING WORK AREAS:

- Old Halls Ferry Road on ramp to close for 14 days on 8/15.
- I-270 to close for Lindbergh bridge demolition on 8/19.
- Eastbound I-270 exit to New Florissant Road to close for 45 days on 8/22.
- New eastbound on ramp from Pershall Road/ Washington Street to open on 9/7.
- Existing eastbound on ramp from Washington Street/Elizabeth Avenue to close on 9/7.
- Eastbound exit to West Florissant Avenue to close for 60 days on 9/7.
- Restripe eastbound and westbound I-270 through Coldwater creek in late August.



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Learn more about the I-270 North Project at: www.i270north.org

COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT

ROBERT G. BRINKMANN

Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission
Chair

Robert G. Brinkmann, chair of the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission, shared an interesting story about the original I-270 north highway system. Brinkmann's family moved to Glasgow Village and lived on Spring Garden when he was 13. Within those boundaries was where his interest in construction was sparked when a teacher brought a newspaper article to class, announcing that a circumferential highway was going to be built in the area. At the time he admits he didn't even know what that was. It was also within those boundaries where at 16, he began driving a popsicle truck around the Ferguson area. "Mostly, it was where the seemingly unbelievable happened, as an interstate was built in a largely agricultural area."



"The work to create the initial I-270 system began a couple of years after we moved there, and I can remember looking down and watching the original pavement being placed," Brinkmann said. "At that time, there was nothing but farm fields as far as you could see, and when they started building that highway, I remember thinking, 'Who the heck is going to live way out here and why would they put this road so far out.'" But now, as CEO of Brinkmann Constructors, he good-naturedly laughs at those ideas he held back then. He lived in what is now the I-270 North Project area during the mid-1960s and really didn't come back to it until he was nearly 40. "When I left, the interchange had only been opened for a year or two so there was not much traffic up there. But later when I returned, I was very surprised at the traffic volumes." Brinkmann says seeing the highway and the I-270 North Project scope of work is so rewarding.

"I hadn't driven that stretch in some time but seeing the work going on there – things like tying Dunn Road to Lindbergh Boulevard - sheer genius," he said. Years ago, Brinkmann may have thought that there was more highway than needed, but he now says the new capacity is very much needed. "The I-270 North Project will increase capacity. That's a very critical infrastructure investment that will address the need to transport goods through Missouri, throughout the Midwest Region and beyond," he said. "I feel very fortunate to be able to serve on the Commission during this time."

About the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission

The Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission is a six-member board that governs the Missouri Department of Transportation.

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