



**Stone Avenue Train Station Platform Reconstruction Project** — The reconstruction of the western half of the inbound and outbound platforms at the Stone Avenue Train Station began Monday, April 19, 2010. Metra has indicated that the completion date for this project is anticipated by June 30, 2010.

Metra will continue to operate a regular train schedule during construction and current commuter parking options near the station will not be impacted by the construction.

While the train station and ticket agent window will remain open during construction, commuters will only be able to board and exit trains from the east half of the platforms. Direct access to the inbound platform from within the station will be closed during construction. Please use the Burlington Avenue sidewalks to access the east platform boarding area and make adjustments to your travel schedules as needed to compensate for construction activities.

***Please note:*** the pedestrian railroad track crossing in front of the train station has been closed in connection with the platform reconstruction, and it will be permanently removed. Beginning this year, Metra and the Union Pacific plan to eliminate mid-platform pedestrian crossings on the west line for safety reasons, and the Burlington/Northern Sante Fe railroad (BNSF) has the same goal. With the closure of the platform required for platform reconstruction, this is the logical time to permanently close the crossing.

Please use the marked crosswalks and sidewalks located on the west side of Brainard Avenue to cross the railroad tracks when the sidewalks on the east side of Brainard Avenue are closed for construction, do not walk in the street to cross the tracks.

For your safety, do not enter the construction zone. Be aware of construction workers and equipment in the area.

If you have any questions regarding the project, please contact the Village of La Grange at 708-579-2315.



**Bluff Avenue Reconstruction Project - Stage 3** — In June, work will begin consisting of roadway reconstruction, new water mains, sewers, sidewalks and pavement, curbs and gutters on Bluff Avenue from 47<sup>th</sup> Street to Cossitt Avenue. Estimated completion — November 2010.

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**Road Resurfacing Projects** — The Village would like to advise residents of the following road resurfacing projects this construction season. The project scope of each street consists of milling and resurfacing the existing pavement, intermittent curb/gutter replacement and drainage structure repairs as required.

- \* **47th Street** — On Thursday, April 1, work commenced on resurfacing 47<sup>th</sup> Street through La Grange and Western Springs, from East Avenue to the bridge over Interstate 294. IDOT is expected to complete this project by July 31.
- \* On Monday, May 3, work commenced on resurfacing **Ogden Avenue** from Bassford Avenue to the BNSF Railroad and on **Willow Springs Road** from 47<sup>th</sup> Street to 53<sup>rd</sup> Place. IDOT has indicated that both of these projects will be completed by June 18.
- \* **Burlington Avenue** — In June, work will begin on Burlington Avenue from Kensington Avenue to Brainard Avenue, to be completed by August.
- \* **Neighborhood H** — In late May/early June, work will begin on roadways within the area bounded by Ogden Avenue, Maple Avenue, IHB Railroad and East Avenue. Work is anticipated to be complete by August.

Please exercise caution and expect traffic delays in these construction zones. Also, please be reminded of a new state law effective, January 1, 2010, limiting cell phone use to hands-free operation only, when driving through a construction zone. For additional information, please contact the Department of Public Works at 708-579-2328.

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