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#### Mile Marker 99

Contractor crews will soon begin repairs to the southbound Interstate 55 bridge at mile marker 99 between Cape Girardeau and Jackson, Missouri. Damage was caused during a traffic incident involving a tractor-trailer truck.

Both the bridge and safety barrier were inspected and are structurally sound. Repairs will be made to the concrete.

Contractor crews will be in the area today (Monday, Feb. 28) to remove any loose material. Icy conditions had previously prevented the contractor from getting equipment on the bridge.

Weather permitting, the repair work will begin Wednesday, March 2 at 8:30 a.m., following morning rush-hour traffic. As work is underway, the southbound I-55 bridge will be reduced to one lane. The lane reduction will be in place 24 hours a day until repairs are completed.

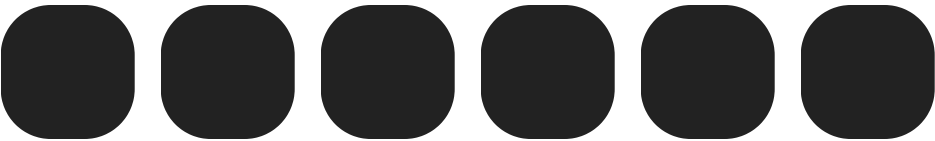
In addition, the right eastbound lane of Route 61 will be closed beneath the bridge. The lane reduction on Route 61 will only be in place as work is underway overhead.

Completion is anticipated by Monday, March 7, weather permitting.

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