

## INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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**Eric Holcomb, Governor Michael Smith, Commissioner** 

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CONSTRUCTION MEMORANDUM 24-04

TO: District Deputy Commissioners

**District Construction Directors** 

District Area Engineers

District Project Engineers/Supervisors/Managers

**District Testing Engineers** 

FROM: Gregory G. Pankow, P.E., Chief Engineer of Construction

Division of Construction Management and District Support

SUBJECT: Total Solar Eclipse 2024

The Total Solar Eclipse 2024 will begin at approximately 1:45 p.m. Eastern time on Monday April 8, 2024, and end at about 4:30 p.m. Eastern time that same day. During this time, the sun will be partially obscured by the moon, and you should use special eclipse sunglasses to view the eclipse without risking permanent eye damage.

Totality is the most special stage of the eclipse and is the only period of time when you can observe the total eclipse without eclipse glasses. This stage will begin at roughly 3 p.m. Eastern in the southwestern part of the state and will be over within just a few minutes. The exact duration depends on the location. Regardless of where you are in Indiana, by 3:15 p.m. Eastern time, totality will be finished everywhere in the state.

Because of the Total Solar Eclipse, Contractors shall not work during the time frame shown below, unless prior written approval is received from the Engineer. All deliveries and traffic coming from suppliers shall cease during the Department-ordered suspension of work listed below. Time extensions to closure periods, intermediate completion dates, or contract completion dates will be granted for suspending work during the eclipse weekend period. If a Contractor request to continue working is approved by the Engineer and the Contractor works during the time frame below, no days will be added to the contract.

Work shall be suspended from 12:00 am Sunday April 7, 2024, until sunrise on Tuesday April 9, 2024. If this contract suspension is not stated in the contract documents, the contract completion times will be adjusted as per 108.08.

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