



# 2017 ECLIPSE AND BEYOND

ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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# PREPARATIONS

- Attended meetings with local's
  - Attended meeting with Illinois Energy Management Agency
    - Attended training on IEMA software
  - Limited leave time for Operations staff
  - Limited lane closures on construction projects
  - Limited turning movements on key routes
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## **DAYS OF EVENT**

- Imbedded IDOT staff at IEMA – Unified Area Command as requested
  - Imbedded IDOT staff at IEMA – Area Commands as requested
  - Placed Smart Message Boards with traffic detection on I-57
  - Expanded communications staff at District Level
  - Reacted as requested by IEMA
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## AFTERWARDS (LESSONS LEARNED)

- Limit lane closure 200+ miles away from event on major route
  - Work with local law enforcement
    - Any stop sign or small community backed up traffic
  - Traffic backup were significant but accidents were not
  - Most State of Illinois staff will not be around for next one.
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