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Full Interchange Project Update

Plote Construction has been awarded the construction contract for the Illinois Tollway's Full Interchange Project in Huntley. Work is scheduled to begin this spring with ramps opening by summer 2013. The firm also worked on IDOT's Route 47 Widening project in Huntley.

The Interchange Project is a new, all electronic interchange at Illinois Route 47 on the Jane Addams Memorial Tollway (I-90), being constructed in partnership with the Illinois State Toll Highway Authority (ISTHA), Village of Huntley, Kane County, McHenry County and the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT). The project completes an existing partial interchange that currently provides access to and from the east.

The project includes construction of six new ramps, reconstruction of Illinois Route 47 over I-90, and traffic signal installation to provide a full-access interchange. The toll rates for the new ramps will be \$0.45 for cars coming and going to the west, and the tolls will be \$0.30 for autos coming and going to the east.

Whenever possible, the Tollway will be using traffic shifts and shoulders to keep as many lanes open during peak hours as were available before construction. Existing ramps will remain open to traffic throughout the reconstruction project. Construction zone speed limits are in effect in all construction zones 24/7 and drivers should continue to watch for changing traffic patterns and use caution, especially when workers are present.

Project link: www.illinoistollway.com/construction-and-planning/projects-by-roadway/jane-addams-memorial-tollway-i-90/i147interchangeproject

Attention Dog-Walkers

Please remember to pick up after your dog. It's not only the neighborly thing to do...it's the law.



Direct Energy Chosen as Fixed Price Supplier of Electricity for Village of Huntley

As part of its agreement with the Northern Illinois Governmental Electric Aggregation Consortium (NIGEAC), Direct Energy won a recent competitive bidding process and will be the NIGEAC program's electric supplier through the June 2014 billing cycle. Direct Energy has set a new fixed rate for electricity customers in the villages of Huntley, Lakewood and Ringwood, and the cities of Genoa and Woodstock. Important program features are:

1. Direct Energy has set a 1-year fixed rate at 4.169 cents/kWh. That rate is 46% less than the alternative rate from Commonwealth Edison (ComEd) and much lower than any rate available to individual residents as reported on the "Plug-In Illinois" website as of May 8, 2012: www.pluginillinois.org. ComEd's rates are subject to change on June 1, 2012 but we believe the Direct Energy rate will continue to be much lower than that alternative.
2. The rate for the remaining months of the agreement will be set by NIGEAC working with Direct Energy and you will be notified prior to the end of the first year of service. This approach was chosen to maintain the option of locking in a fixed-rate for the balance of the program when market conditions are even more favorable.
3. NIGEAC negotiated an agreement that allows residents and businesses to leave free of charge at any time for any reason.

Important:

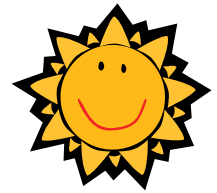
- ◆ **Opt-out letters will be coming from Direct Energy and are scheduled to be mailed out on or about May 23rd. Residents who wish to opt-out of the program will have 21 days from the postmarked date to respond. Please review the letter carefully. You will be given the following two choices: a) If you have received this notice and want to participate in the Electric Aggregation Program, you do not need to do anything. You will be automatically enrolled; and b) If you do not wish to participate in the program, you will need to call Direct Energy or return the opt-out postcard to Direct Energy.**
- ◆ **Opt-In letters will also be sent to those customers currently enrolled with another alternative residential electricity supplier (ARES) that are not eligible for the opt-out program. This mailer will allow customers to enroll into the program should they choose to do so. These letters will be sent out at the same time as the opt-out letters.**
- ◆ **The Customer Call Center will be ready to begin taking calls the day the opt-out period begins and the contact information will be provided in the mailers.**

Included with the opt-out and opt-in letters, you will also be given a list of FAQs which will be helpful as you make your decision about your electric supply service.

Interested in staying up to date on important Huntley News? Be sure and visit the Village of Huntley website at www.Huntley.il.us While on the Village home page you can sign up for E-News. This is the fastest way to get the most important news from the Village. Do it today and tell your neighbors and friends too! Are you a Facebook fan? Follow Huntley! Be sure and "like" us at www.facebook.com/HuntleyIllinois

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Mark Your Calendars - There's Something For Everyone in Huntley!



May 26th Plant Your Garden Day & 1st Farmers Market of the Season
SHOPPING: Lots of perennial and annual plants for your home and garden; hanging baskets, yard art and more! Lots of yummy breads and baked goods (regular & gluten free), honey, jam, pickles, farm fresh eggs, BBQ sauces and rubs, granolas, delicious Polish foods, hand-made soaps and dog treats. Don't forget to shop the craft fair for a wide variety of gift and home items. ENTERTAINMENT: Bring your lawn chair and enjoy free entertainment in the Gazebo. KIDS AREA: The Kids Area will feature seed planting and kids crafts to take home (sponsored by Wayne's Homegrown Fruits & Vegetables). MAY is Historic Preservation month. Stop by the Chamber offices on May 26th to learn more about Huntley's past! *The Farmers Market is held each Saturday through 10/13. Bring your family, friends and neighbors and enjoy the first (unofficial) weekend of summer!*

May 28th Memorial Day Parade & Ceremony (Town Square)
The Memorial Day Parade will kick-off from the Municipal Complex at 11:00 a.m. and travel west on Main Street to the Town Square. At the conclusion of the parade, there will be speakers and a presentation honoring our veterans. For more information contact the Huntley American Legion or go to: www.huntley.il.us

June 1st Cop On Top at Dunkin Donuts
Stop by between 5 a.m. and 2 p.m. to find out what's happening on the roof of the Dunkin Donuts at 12090 Princeton, Huntley! For more information call Sergeant Williams at 847-515-5331.

June 2nd Craft Fair at the Huntley Farmers Market
Stop by the Farmers Market for some great local produce, plants, gourmet foods and much more! Don't forget to pick up jewelry, home decorations and great gifts at the craft fair. On the Town Square between 8 a.m.-1 p.m.

June 3rd HYSO Run Thru the Sun
This events offers a 1 mile, 5k and 10k run. For more information on this event, go to: www.huntleyyouthsports.org/home

June 8th Dive Into Movie Night at Stingray Bay
Save the date! Be sure to check out the Huntley Park District's website for more information on this family-friendly event at www.huntleyparks.org.

June 9th 12th Annual Classic, Hot Rod & Collectors Car Show
Bring your classic, hot rod or collector cars for a day of fun in the sun. All makes and models are welcome at Tom Peck Ford of Huntley. Registration begins at 8 a.m. with show time from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. All donations to benefit the Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics Illinois. For more information or to reserve your spot call Amy Maxwell at 847-669-6060 or Sergeant Williams at 847-515-5331.

June 14th Flag Day Ceremony - Huntley American Legion
Join the Huntley American Legion on Coral Street to honor our American flag

June 15th Relay for Life - Huntley Rec Center Sponsored by the American Cancer Society. Go to www.relayforlife.org/index for more information

June 24th Centegra Healthbridge 5K Run
For more information on this event, go to: www.healthbridgefitness.com

July 4th Huntley's Independence Day Fireworks Show
Huntley Outlet Mall at dusk

July 7th Family Fun Day at the Farmers Market
Join us at this great community event: Farmers Market, Craft Fair, Kids Games, Face Painting, Free bike/kid/ stroller/pet decorating for the annual Around the Block Parade, great entertainment, food and so much more!

July 21st Tip a Cop for Special Olympics
Come to Culver's of Huntley between the hours of 10:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. and be served by one of Huntley's finest Officers. All proceeds to benefit the Law Enforcement Torch run for Special Olympics Illinois. For more information contact Sergeant Williams at 847-515-5331.

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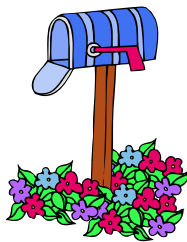
Important Village Phone Numbers

Village Hall: (847) 515-5200
Public Works: (847) 515-5222
Development Services: (847) 515-5252
Police non-emergency: (847) 515-5311
Police emergency dial 911

Village Website:
www.huntley.il.us

Parkway Maintenance

The area between the public sidewalk and the street curb is known as the parkway. This area is intended as a safety clear zone to protect drivers from potential injuries due to hazardous obstructions if they should leave the road. Objects placed within this zone are required to be breakaway or of a nature that will not cause serious injury.



The Village of Huntley Subdivision Regulations and Design Criteria Section 155.032 (B) (5) (iii), Encroachment or Obstruction of Public Property, states that no person shall cause, create or make an encroachment or obstruction including the placement of boulders, posts, signs, or structures deemed inappropriate by the Public Works Director upon the public streets or municipal property within the Village.

Article XIV of the Zoning Code identifies the Village's tree preservation and landscape regulations. The code sets the standards for tree spacing, planting criteria, and species of plantings that are permitted in the parkway. Homeowners/businesses considering landscaping within the Village right-of-way should first contact Public Works for approval.

If you have any questions about items allowed in the parkway, please contact the Public Works Department at 847-669-3450.