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**Algonquin Road Widening Project Completed**

McHenry County officially completed the Algonquin Road widening from Lakewood Road to IL 47 on June 30, 2009. The road widening included new or modernized traffic signals at the major intersections along Algonquin Road and is the culmination of four major construction projects over a twelve year period, to transform the outdated and crumbling two-lane road into a modern and efficient four-lane highway, from IL 31 to IL 47.

The need for the widening was created by the traffic growth along the developing Algonquin Road corridor. Current traffic on Algonquin Road is approximately 25,000 vehicles/day, and is expected to increase to nearly 37,000 vehicles/day by the year 2020.

The project started in 1997 with construction of the thirty-two foot tall soil-nail retaining wall and pavement reconstruction through the S-curves at Algonquin Park, and will be 100% complete when IDOT constructs the widening of IL 47 at the Algonquin Road intersection.

McHenry County would like to thank the patience of everyone during this major undertaking. More information about the Algonquin Road widening can be found at [www.Algonquinroad.info](http://www.Algonquinroad.info) or by contacting the McHenry County Department of Transportation at (815) 334-4960.

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