

Canal Street Viaducts and Roadway Rehabilitation Improvements

Phase III: Canal Street from Adams Street to Madison Street

Update: 10/08/2026

On December 15, 2025, the project entered Traffic Stage 1A, closing the east portion of Canal Street while maintaining northbound traffic on the west side, keeping Monroe Street open, and maintaining pedestrian access on the west sidewalk. Since then, the contractor has completed advance removals and installed temporary supports within the viaduct. With remaining Amtrak approvals now granted, the contractor is prepared to enter Traffic Stage 1B, which is consistent with adjacent sections of Canal Street and allows demolition to safely proceed between Adams Street and Madison Street.

Stage 1B will be implemented on Monday October 12, 2026. Traffic updates include:

- Northbound Canal Street will be reduced from two lanes to one.
- Monroe Street eastbound traffic will be maintained with one left-turn lane and one through lane.
- The south pedestrian crosswalk at Madison Street will be closed.
- The northeast sidewalk at Adams Street will be closed.
- Pedestrian access will remain open on the west side of Canal Street.

Preparatory work will begin Monday night, October 12, 2026, with nighttime noise expected starting that evening. The first weekend of viaduct demolition will run from Friday night, October 16, through early Monday morning, October 19, beginning at Madison Street and progressing south. Work will continue during daytime and nighttime hours on weeknights and weekends for the remainder of the project.

