In view of the forthcoming Holiday Season, the Chicago Department of Transportation (CDOT) hereby directs that NO street openings or traffic obstructions, except for emergencies, shall be allowed within the following boundaries. The parameters of the 2020 Holiday Moratorium are reduced from previous years. CDOT recognizes that a reduction in holiday activities provides contractors an opportunity to complete work in areas that would otherwise be heavily trafficked. Thus, the area included in the 2020 Holiday Moratorium is as follows (see Diagram 1 below).

1. Beginning at the easternmost point of Division Street, extending west to Clark Street. South on Clark Street to Roosevelt Road. East on Roosevelt Road to its easternmost point extending to Lake Michigan.

2. North Avenue between North Elston Avenue and North Halsted Street.

3. Streets within the vicinity of the Ohio and Ontario feeder ramps, such that work on those streets would impede ingress or egress to the feeder ramps.

This directive shall be in effect from Friday, November 20, 2020 at 4:00 p.m., until Thursday, January 4, 2021 at 9:30 a.m., inclusive. All existing permits within the moratorium boundaries will be automatically revoked. Restrictions will not be lifted for any non-emergency work without permission from CDOT’s Permit Office. All requests for permits should be made to Assistant Commissioner Bryan Gallardo at CDOTPermitSupport@cityofchicago.org. Furthermore, any work performed from January 4, 2021 through April 1, 2021 shall be subject to criteria acceptable for snow removal and control operations. Specifically, all plates in the public right of way must be collected prior to the commencement of snow operations. If plates cannot be removed, or new plates must be installed, please immediately notify the snow operations unit by phone (312) 746-8630 or fax (312) 744-2808.
Diagram 1: 2020 Holiday Moratorium Boundaries

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