

## **East 3<sup>rd</sup> Relocation**

As often noted, limestone reserves are the life blood of a cement operation. Illinois Cement Company (ICC) has an existing limestone quarry in Dimmick Township which has been in production since 1998. As the quarry activity moves west, ICC proposes to mine through a certain portion of East 3<sup>rd</sup> Road where ICC owns property on both sides of the road. If approved and prior to this activity, ICC will build an improved road to the west. The new asphalt road will be designed for a 10-year life minimum. It will be 22 feet in width with 2-foot aggregate shoulders. (The current road is a 20-foot tar and chip surface with 1 to 2-foot shoulders. The new road design will be approved by the City Engineer and built to IDOT specifications for a 45 mph speed limit, including curves. The new road will be approximately 1.4 miles in length while replacing 0.9 miles of existing road.

The new road will be built and operational before any closure of the existing road takes place. **At no time will through traffic be halted on East 3<sup>rd</sup>.**

At the end of the 10-year period, ICC will replace the current section of East 3<sup>rd</sup>. The final replacement of East 3<sup>rd</sup> will be superior in safety and design to the current roadway.

All final road designs will be subject to City Engineer approval.

## **To the Community**

Illinois Cement Company recognizes the importance of East 3<sup>rd</sup> Road to those who use it. It is a well-traveled road. ICC knows the importance of having a safe and efficient road; and the peace of mind that offers. ICC will ensure the new road is in place and operational prior to closing the existing East 3<sup>rd</sup> Road. Likewise, when East 3<sup>rd</sup> Road is restored in approximately 10 years, through traffic will always be assured. As noted, the new roads will built to IDOT specifications and approved by the City Engineer.