A New Champ Clark Bridge is Coming....

A new Champ Clark Bridge is soon to be a reality for the Twin Pike region. This historic crossing over the Mississippi River on U.S. Route 54 is a valuable link for more than 4,000 vehicles who use the bridge daily.

The new bridge will be built just south of the existing bridge. The existing bridge will stay open while the new bridge is being constructed, barring any significant safety or maintenance issues. Included in the bridge project is a redesign of the U.S. Route 54 and MO Route 79 intersection, and this work will begin next month, with the actual bridge work to begin later this year.

Groundbreaking Ceremony
Friday, September 8
10 a.m. to 11 a.m.
Riverfront in Louisiana

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Intersection Improvements U.S. 54/MO 79

New bridge details:
- $60 Million (shared 50/50 between Missouri and Illinois; TIGER Grant $10 million also shared)
- 12’ lanes/10’ shoulders
- Wider navigational spans
- Elimination of periodic flood closures
- Low maintenance
- Easy to inspect
- 100 year deck

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Opening Fall 2019

TIMELINE

Early September
Construction begins on intersection

September 8
Groundbreaking

Late Fall
Construction begins on bridge piers
(work will be in the water)

New bridge features:
- Intersection lighting
- New overlay in intersection
- Expanded width to accommodate truck traffic