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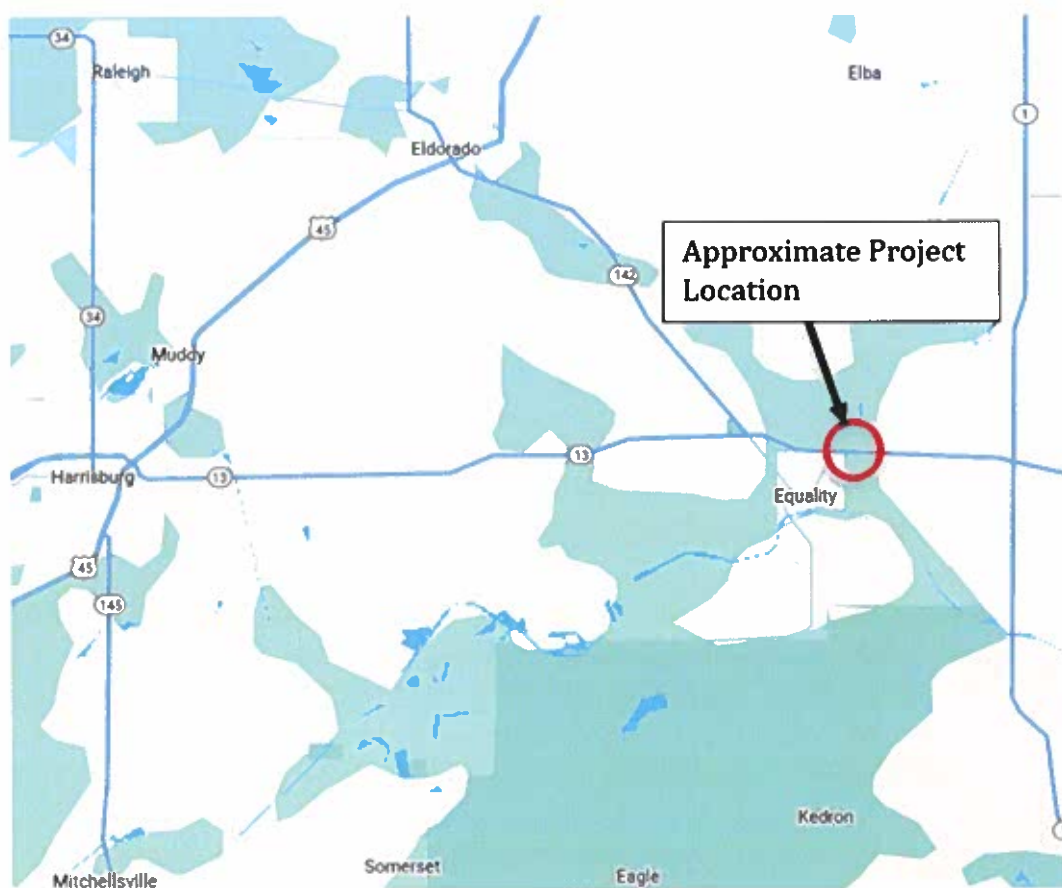
**PROPOSED REPLACEMENT OF THE ILLINOIS ROUTE 13 BRIDGE CROSSING OF THE
NORTH FORK SALINE RIVER AND TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF A REACH OF THE
RIVER IN GALLATIN COUNTY**

Notice is hereby given to all interested parties that the Illinois Department of Natural Resources, Office of Water Resources (IDNR/OWR) has received an application for permit from Illinois Department of Transportation, P.O. Box 100, Carbondale, Illinois 62903 to replace the Illinois Route 13 bridge crossing of the North Fork Saline River and temporarily close a reach of the river. This crossing is located northeast of the Village of Equality in Illinois. A location map is provided on the second page of this notice.

The existing 5-span structure is being replaced with a longer 3-span structure. The existing relief box culvert is not proposed to be replaced as part of the project. The proposed bridge is to have a higher low beam elevation. There is also excavation and riprap proposed in the channel under and near the bridge.

During construction it has been proposed that the river, near and under the bridge, will be temporarily closed for two (2) approximate nine-month periods. The closure would prohibit the public from accessing or travelling within the river reach under and near Illinois Route 13.

Inquiries may be directed to Jesse Tinch at 217/782-4545. All interested parties are invited to submit written statements regarding the proposed work to the IDNR/Office of Water Resources, One Natural Resources Way, Springfield, Illinois 62702-1271 by **June 11, 2025**.



Credit: Background map obtained from *Google Maps*.