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ILLINOIS TOLLWAY AWARDS \$26 MILLION IN CONTRACTS FOR CONSTRUCTION AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES IN FEBRUARY

More than \$11.1 billion invested since start of Move Illinois Program

DOWNERS GROVE, IL – The Illinois Tollway Board of Directors today approved seven construction and professional engineering contracts totaling nearly \$26 million at its February Board meeting for work to maintain its systemwide roadways and provide safe and convenient travel for Tollway customers.

More than \$64 million in contracts has been approved by the Tollway Board in 2024, as part of the 13th year of the Tollway's 16-year, \$15 billion *Move Illinois* capital program. The Tollway's capital program calls for investing \$1.4 billion in 2024.

"The Illinois Tollway promotes safety of both drivers and workers as we deliver a variety of roadway improvements as part of *Move Illinois*," said Illinois Tollway Executive Director Cassandra Rouse. "These repairs are necessary to keep the Tollway in good condition for years to come."

February construction contracts awarded include:

- An \$8 million contract to K-Five Construction Corp., Westmont, IL, for systemwide pavement repairs.
- A \$4.1 million contract to Superior Road Striping Inc., Melrose Park, IL, for systemwide pavement marking installation.
- A \$3 million contract to Foundation Mechanics, Chicago, IL, for toll plaza canopy repairs on the Reagan Memorial Tollway (I-88) at Spring Road and on the Veterans Memorial Tollway (I-355) between 75th Street and Roosevelt Road.
- A \$1.9 million contract to Lorig Construction Co., Des Plaines, IL, for noise abatement wall repairs systemwide.
- A \$ 355,500 contract to Construction Inc., Lombard, IL, for closed circuit television (CCTV) camera installation at the Illinois Tollway Central Administration Building in Downers Grove.

February professional engineering services contracts awarded include:

- A \$4.5 million contract to exp US Services Inc., Chicago, IL, for design services for toll plaza improvements systemwide.
- A \$4 million contract to Accurate Group Inc., Lincolnshire, IL, for construction management services upon request systemwide.

The February contracts approved today include 17 certified disadvantaged, minority- and women-owned business enterprise (D/M/WBE) firms, as well as eight certified veteran-owned firms. Commitments for D/M/WBE participation range from 26.02 percent to 81.00 percent per contract and commitments for veteran participation range from 2.50 percent to 4.50 percent per contract.

Overall, more than \$11.1 billion has been invested by the Tollway since the program began in 2012, with more than \$2.9 billion of that total committed to small, diverse and veteran-owned firms. In

addition, the capital program has created or sustained an estimated 128,680 total jobs as of January 2024.

Construction contracts for Illinois Tollway projects are competitively bid under the rules of the Illinois Procurement Code. All contracts are presented to the Illinois Tollway Board of Directors for review and approval. The Illinois Tollway broadcasts all public meetings on the Tollway's website at www.illinoistollway.com. This includes all board meetings and public bid openings. Also provided is detailed information about current Tollway construction and professional engineering services contracts through the Construction Contract Tracker.

Contractors and consultants can also access resources online to help them learn about how to do business with the Tollway, including construction bid-letting schedules, professional service bulletins, manuals and construction bid calendars. These resources can be found in the "Doing Business" section of the Tollway's website.

About Move Illinois

The Illinois Tollway's 16-year, \$15 billion capital program, *Move Illinois: The Illinois Tollway Driving the Future*, is improving mobility, relieving congestion, reducing pollution, creating as many as 165,220 jobs and linking economies throughout the region. The first 12 years of Move Illinois are on schedule and within budget, delivering the new Illinois Route 390 Tollway and a rebuilt and widened Jane Addams Memorial Tollway (I-90) with its new SmartRoad corridor, as well as opening a new interchange connecting the Tri-State Tollway (I-294) to I-57. Progress continues on projects addressing the remaining needs of the existing Tollway system, delivering the new I-490 Tollway Project and reconstruction of the Central Tri-State Tollway (I-294).

About the Illinois Tollway

The Illinois Tollway is a user-fee system that receives no state or federal funds for maintenance and operations. The agency maintains and operates 294 miles of roadways in 12 counties in Northern Illinois, including the Reagan Memorial Tollway (I-88), the Veterans Memorial Tollway (I-355), the Jane Addams Memorial Tollway (I-90), the Tri-State Tollway (I-94/I-294/I-80) and the Illinois Route 390 Tollway.

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