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ILLINOIS TOLLWAY AWARDS NEARLY \$38.3 MILLION FOR CONSTRUCTION AND PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES CONTRACTS IN JUNE

More than \$217.8 million invested in 2025 for Move Illinois and Bridging the Future projects

DOWNERS GROVE, IL – The Illinois Tollway Board of Directors today approved five construction and professional engineering contracts totaling nearly \$38.3 million at its June Board meeting.

"Construction projects are underway throughout the Tollway system, including on the Central Tri-State Tollway (I-294) and the new I-490 Tollway, as we work to deliver new and improved roadway and bridges," said Illinois Tollway Executive Director Cassaundra Rouse. "The contracts approved today are equally important as they will enable us to keep other parts of our system in good repair."

More than \$217.8 million in contracts has been approved by the Tollway Board in 2025, including \$153.4 million as part of the 14th year of the Tollway's 16-year, \$15 billion Move Illinois capital program and \$64.4 million as part of the first year of the seven-year, \$2 billion Bridging the Future plan. The Tollway's 2025 capital program calls for investing \$1.15 billion.

The June construction contract awards include:

- A \$20.5 million contract awarded to ICC Group Inc., Elburn, IL. for bridge rehabilitation on the Veterans Memorial Tollway (I-355) Mile Long Bridge.
- A \$4.1 million contract awarded to Foundation Mechanics, Chicago, IL, for drainage Improvements on the Tri-State Tollway (I-94/I-294) at I-94 from Townline Road to Half Day Road and I-294 at Walters Avenue.

The June professional engineering services contract awards include:

- A \$5.6 million contract awarded to Thomas Engineering Group, Oak Park, IL, for construction management services for intelligent transportation systems improvements on the Tri-State Tollway (I-294).
- A \$5 million contract awarded to Globetrotters Engineering Corp., Chicago, IL, for construction management services upon request on the I-490 Tollway Project.
- A \$3 million contract awarded to WBK Engineering, St. Charles, IL, for systemwide design services upon request.

The June contracts include 20 certified disadvantaged, minority- and women-owned business enterprise (D/M/WBE) firms, as well as four certified veteran-owned firms. Commitments for D/M/WBE participation range from 18.09 percent to 95 percent per contract and commitments for veteran participation range from 2.14 percent to 5.83 percent per contract.

Overall, more than \$11.8 billion has been invested in capital improvements by the Tollway since 2012, with more than \$3.1 billion of that total committed to small, diverse and veteran-owned firms. In addition, the capital program has created or sustained an estimated 142,330 total jobs as of May 2025.

Illinois Tollway professional engineering services contracts are selected in accordance with the qualifications-based selection process (Illinois Public Act 87-673 (30 ILCS 535/1-535/80) Architectural, Engineering and Land Surveying Qualifications-Based Selection Act), which requires state agencies to select professional architects, engineers and surveyors based on demonstrated competence and professional qualifications. Construction contracts for Illinois Tollway projects are competitively bid under the rules of the Illinois Procurement Code.

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 in the Construction Contract Tracker.

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 13 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 reconstructing the Central Tri-State Tollway (I-294).

About Bridging the Future

Approved by the Illinois Tollway Board of Directors In December 2024, Bridging the Future is a seven-year, \$2 billion plan designed to continue infrastructure improvements, bridging the gap between the agency's current and next long-term capital program. Based on stakeholder feedback and engagement, Bridging the Future is addressing ongoing modernization initiatives and continuing to support investments in the people and firms working to improve regional mobility.

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.