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ILLINOIS TOLLWAY SEEKS FIRMS FOR PHASE II DESIGN ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR DRIVING CONNECTIONS WORK IN 2027

PSB 26-4 includes 14 professional engineering services contracts worth an estimated $157 million

DOWNERS GROVE, IL – The Illinois Tollway today announced that it is seeking qualified professional engineering firms to provide design engineering services for 14 new contracts worth an estimated $157 million anticipated to be awarded in 2027.

Engineering services advertised in Professional Services Bulletin 26-4 will support the Illinois Tollway in managing, monitoring and coordinating work under the new $26.5 billion *Driving Connections* capital program.

On Thursday, October 15, at 2 p.m., firms interested in submitting Statements of Interest for PSB 26-4 as prime consultants or participating as subconsultants are invited to network and then join an optional pre-proposal meeting at Chicago Marriot Naperville,1801 N. Naper Boulevard, Naperville. A virtual Microsoft Teams meeting option is also available for the pre-proposal meeting. Registration information is available here.

Contracts being advertised in PSB 26-4 include:

- One contract for design corridor manager and design services for roadway reconstruction and bridge rehabilitation along the Reagan Memorial Tollway (I-88)
- Three contracts for design services for roadway reconstruction and bridge rehabilitation along the Reagan Memorial Tollway (I-88)
- One contract for design services for roadway and bridge rehabilitation along the Tri-State Tollway (I-294)
- One contract for design services for roadway rehabilitation along the Tri-State Tollway (I-94)
- One contract for design services for roadway widening along the Reagan Memorial Tollway (I-88)
- One contract for design services for bridge reconstruction on the Illinois Route 390 Tollway
- One contract for design services for bridge reconstruction along the Tri-State Tollway (I-94)
- One contract for design services for bridge reconstruction along the Jane Addams Memorial Tollway (I-90)
- One contract for design services for fiber-optic system improvements along the Jane Addams Memorial Tollway (I-90)
- One contract for design services for noise abatement wall construction along the Veterans Memorial Tollway (I-355)
- One contract for design services for active traffic management system installation along the Tri-State Tollway (I-94)
- One contract for design services for interchange improvements along the Tri-State Tollway (I-294) at Irving Park Road

Firms interested in submitting a proposal can view PSB 26-4 under the Doing Business section on the Tollway's website www.illinoistollway.com for more information.

Submissions for PSB 26-4 are due by 4:30 p.m. on October 30, 2026, with contracts expected to be awarded by the Illinois Tollway Board of Directors in 2027, and work expected to begin in 2027.

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 on the basis of demonstrated competence and professional qualifications. All contracts are presented to the Illinois Tollway Board of Directors for review and approval.

The Illinois Tollway provides detailed information about current Tollway construction and professional engineering services contracts through the Construction Contract Tracker on the Tollway's website at www.illinoistollway.com.

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, as well as Technical Assistance and Partnering for Growth programs. These resources can be found in the Doing Business section of the Tollway's website.

About *Driving Connections*
Driving Connections is a $26.5 billion capital program approved by the Tollway Board of Directors in August 2026 that will shape investment across the Tollway system through 2042, addressing congestion, aging infrastructure and the transportation needs of a growing region. Investments are focused on rebuilding and rehabilitating roads and bridges, improving interchanges and access, reducing traffic delays and making the systemwide investments necessary to keep nearly 300 miles of Tollway safe and reliable.

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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