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ILLINOIS TOLLWAY AWARDS MORE THAN \$21.2 MILLION IN CONTRACTS FOR CONSTRUCTION AND ENGINEERING SERVICES IN DECEMBER

More than \$815 million invested in 2024 to support the 13th year of the Move Illinois Program

DOWNERS GROVE, IL – The Illinois Tollway Board of Directors today approved four construction and professional engineering services contracts totaling more than \$21.2 million at its December Board meeting, wrapping up investments in 2024 as part of the 13th year of the *Move Illinois* capital program.

In all, 51 construction and professional engineering services contracts totaling more than \$815 million have been approved by the Tollway Board in 2024.

“The Illinois Tollway’s work in 2024 has had a measurable impact in the region as far as creating and sustaining jobs along with developing and cultivating business,” said Illinois Tollway Executive Director Cassandra Rouse. “What’s more, we are also providing critical access for communities and drivers with better roads and interchanges and the introduction of SmartRoads first on I-90 and now on I-294 to better manage traffic and allow for smoother, time saving travel experiences.”

Work in 2024 has included completing systemwide maintenance improvements scheduled as part of the *Move Illinois* Program and continued construction of the new I-490 Tollway and its three major interchanges connecting to the Illinois Route 390 Tollway, Jane Addams Memorial Tollway (I-90) and Tri-State Tollway (I-294).

In addition, while the reconstruction and widening of the Central Tri-State Tollway (I-294) and the I-290/I-88 Interchange continue, the Tollway has completed roadway work on the south and north segments of the project, along with the introduction of the first portion of the new I-294 SmartRoad this year.

December construction contracts awarded include:

- A \$8.49 million contract to Lorig Construction Company, Des Plaines, IL, for bridge and toll plaza improvements at Golf Road on the Tri-State Tollway (I-294).
- A \$2.9 million contract to Path Construction Company Inc., Arlington Heights, IL, for bridge rehabilitation on the Reagan Memorial Tollway (I-88) over the Union Pacific Railroad.

December professional engineering services contracts awarded include:

- A \$5 million contract to Bowman Consulting Group LTD, Chicago, IL, for systemwide construction management services upon request.
- A \$4.9 million contract to Quigg Engineering Inc., Springfield, IL, for design services for bridge reconstruction and toll plaza improvements on the Tri-State Tollway (I-94) at Lake Cook Road.

The December contracts approved today include 12 certified disadvantaged, minority- and women-owned business enterprise (D/M/WBE) firms, as well as 6 certified veteran-owned firms.

Commitments for D/M/WBE participation range from 21.41 percent to 71.38 percent per contract and commitments for veteran participation range from 2.50 percent to 9.11 percent per contract.

In total, 991 construction and professional engineering services contracts valued at approximately \$11.6 billion have been approved since the *Move Illinois* Program began in 2012, more than \$3 billion of that total committed to small, diverse and veteran-owned firms. Overall, an estimated 138,080 total jobs created or sustained as of November 2024.

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.

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 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 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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