

IL ROUTE 53/120

Blue Ribbon Advisory Council

Meeting One

September 12, 2011

2:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Lake County Central Permit Facility





AGENDA

- .. **How the Council will Operate**
 - ⌘ Guiding Principles
 - ⌘ Working Group Structure
 - ⌘ Expected Schedule
- .. **The Central Lake County Corridor**
 - ⌘ History/Previous Efforts
 - ⌘ Overview of Corridor – Challenges
 - ⌘ Innovations - Opportunities
- .. **Next Steps**
- .. **Public Comments**





A NEW APPROACH FOR ROUTE 53/120

- .. Context-driven look at transportation improvements
 - ⊗ Cannot solve all Lake County congestion
 - ⊗ Limited right-of-way available
 - ⊗ Environmental constraints
- .. Innovative thinking – what can be done in the space available?
- .. Timing



THE COUNCIL'S ROLE

“The Council will be responsible for developing regional consensus on whether the Tollway should move forward, the scope and configuration, the design and elements, and how to finance the project”



WELCOME

- Co-chair remarks
- CMAP remarks
- Member introductions
- Member responsibilities
 - ⊗ Alternate attendees
 - ⊗ Voting
 - ⊗ Communications



DRAFT GUIDING PRINCIPLES

1	Enhance mobility and relieve congestion in the Central Lake County Corridor
2	Seek creative design solutions for a safe, integrated, multi-modal corridor that preserves the character of nearby communities and enhances their economic vitality
3	Analyze potential funding options and pursue corridor concepts that are financially viable and fiscally sustainable
4	Minimize environmental and long term development impacts of transportation infrastructure and operations
5	Promote environmental enhancements and sustainable practices in all aspects of project development, implementation and operations, and strive to improve the overall environment
6	Promote diversity in all aspects of project development, implementation and operations
7	Require cooperation with agencies and municipalities to deliver the Council's work in a transparent and accountable manner



WORKING GROUP STRUCTURE

Mobility and Finance

This group will determine how the route can most effectively move people and goods in Central Lake County. Members will evaluate traffic model information and consider how to manage traffic through: integrated transit service; limited access; congestion pricing; use of Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS); and other technologies. The group will also evaluate options for funding and financing the project.

Design & Land Use

This group will focus on how the route connects to communities in the corridor. Members will consider the size and design configuration of the roadway, and will evaluate aesthetic, land use and economic development factors.

Environment & Sustainability

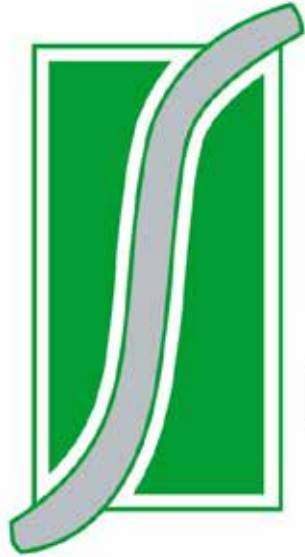
This group will focus on how the route co-exists with the surrounding environment, and consider how sustainability can be incorporated in all aspects of design and construction. Members will evaluate visual and noise impacts, consider storm water and other national best practices, and outline measures to mitigate potential environmental impacts.



DRAFT SCHEDULE

All meetings will be held at the Lake County Central Permit Facility **except meetings on 3/12 and 3/19**. Those meetings will be held at the Lake County DOT large conference room in Libertyville.
Note that the Mobility & Finance and Design & Land Use Working Groups meet on the same day.

	2011				2012					
	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June
Full Council	9/12 2-4pm	10/17 10-12		12/19 10-12		2/13 10-12		4/20 10-12	5/18 10-12	
Mobility & Finance			11/7 10-11:30		1/9 10-11:30		3/12 10-11:30			
Design & Land Use			11/7 11:30-1		1/9 11:30-1		3/12 11:30-1			
Environment & Sustainability			11/14 10-11:30		1/23 10-11:30		3/19 10-11:30			



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CORRIDOR OVERVIEW





ROUTE 53/120 HISTORY

1960's – 1980's

- 1962 - Regional plan identified
- 1964 - IDOT decision to construct from Dundee Road to Lake Cook Road
- Two environmental studies of the North Extension initiated
- Studies discontinued based on roadway priorities



1990's

- 1993 - General Assembly authorized Tollway to extend IL-53
- 1993-97 - IDOT and Tollway prepare Phase I Environmental Studies
- 1998 - Lake County Transportation Improvement Project (LCTIP) Formed



2000-10

- 2005 – LCTIP discontinued
- 2007 – Tollway Board Resolution
- 2009 – Lake County Referendum (76% support) No Toll Provision & IL-120 Corridor Study
- 2009 - Unified vision and feasibility analysis published by the Rt. 120 Corridor Planning Council
- 2010 - Central Lake County Corridor included as a major priority project in CMAP GO TO 2040 plan
- 2011 – Tollway Board adopts "Move Illinois" Capital Program



FORWARD MOMENTUM

- .. Past efforts provided comprehensive assessment of broad study area (500sqmi)
- .. Many roadway and transit alternatives developed and evaluated
- .. Right of way has been purchased/preserved
- .. What can/should be done in the space available?



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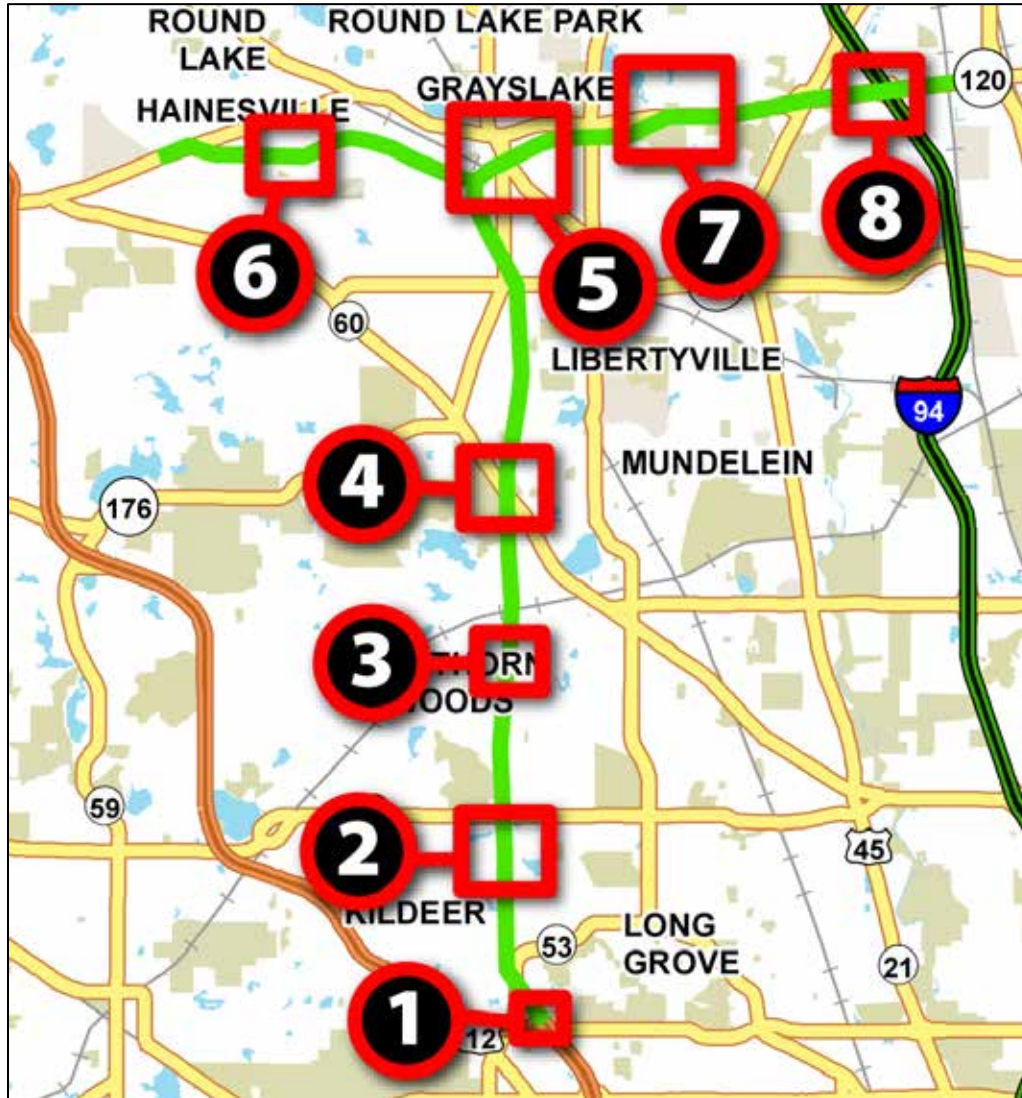
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Challenges





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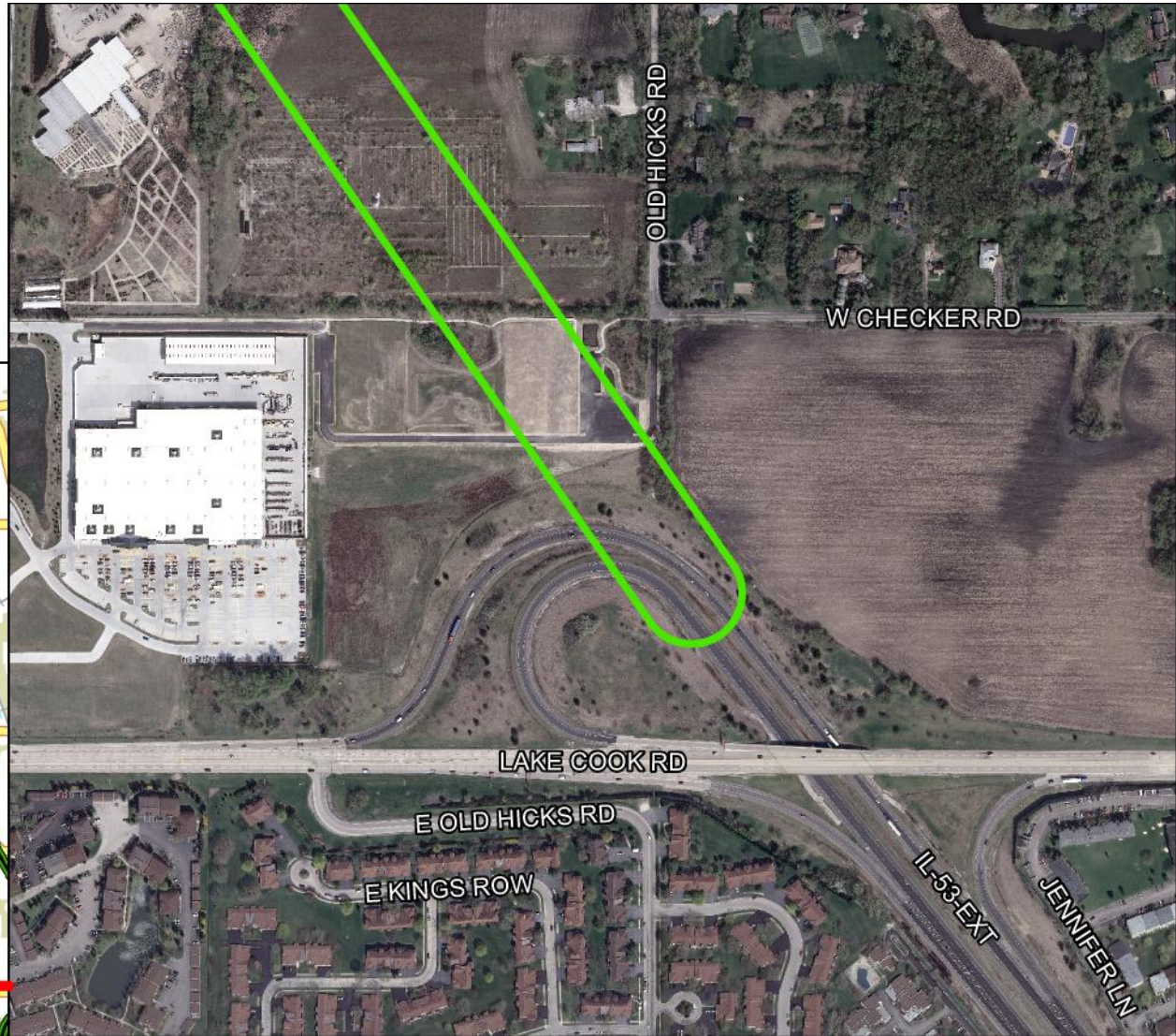


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1) Lake Cook Road (Long Grove)

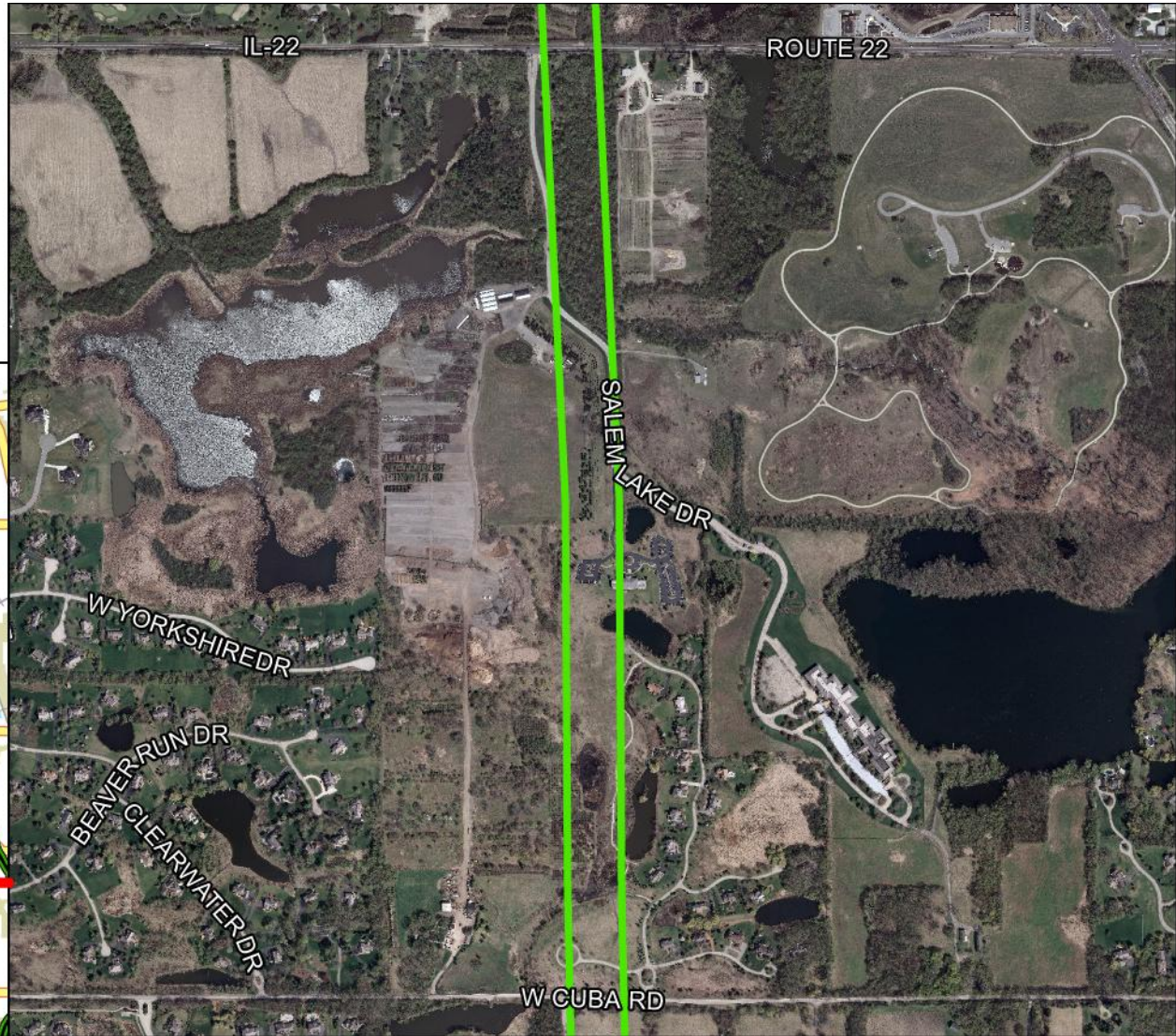
- Transition from existing IL Route 53
- Nearby large-lot residential
- Municipality of Long Grove



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2) Cuba Rd to IL 22 (Long Grove, Kildeer)

- Protected conservation lands including Heron Creek and Egret Marsh
- Kemper Lakes Golf Course north of IL 22

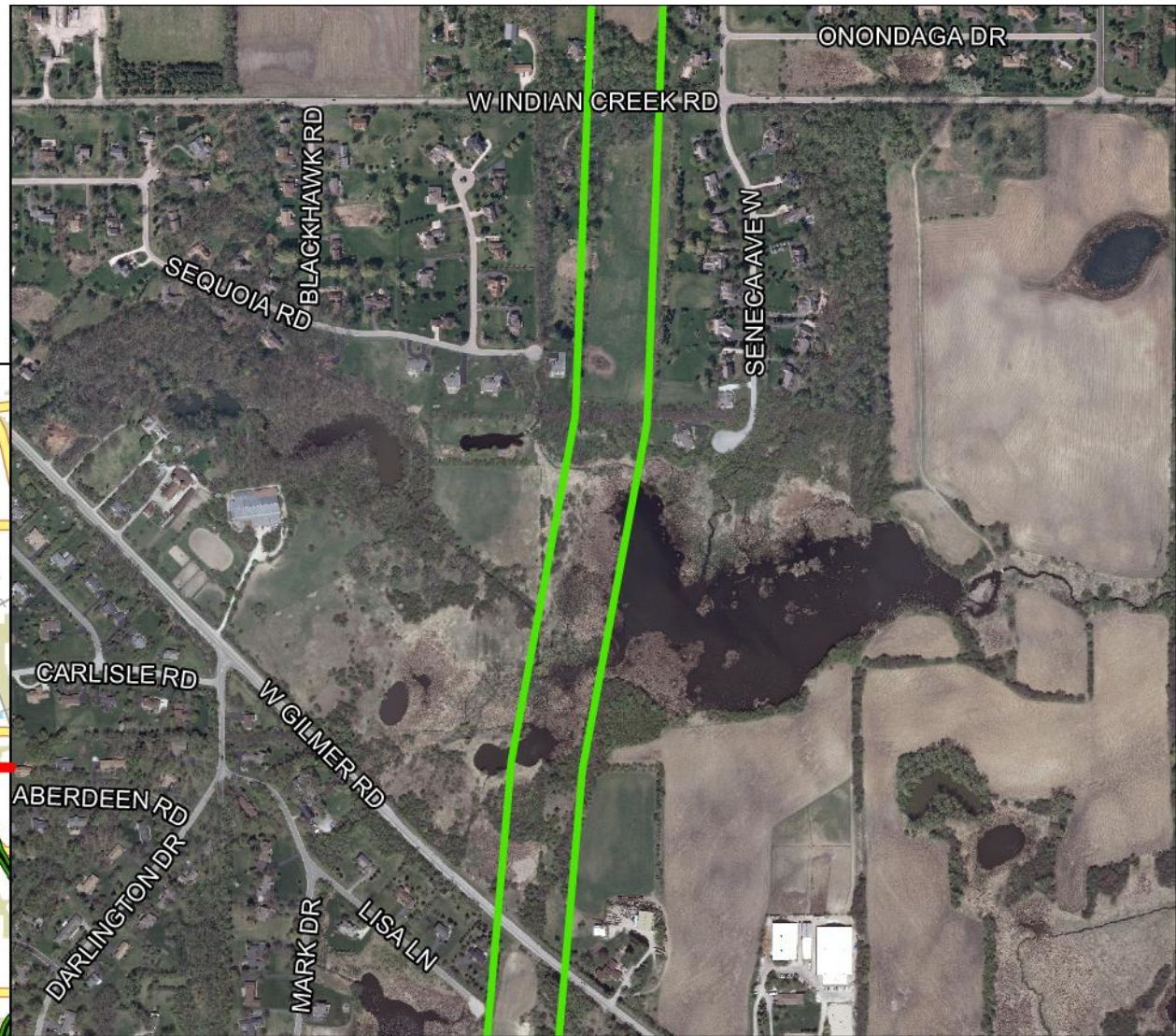


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3) Gilmer Rd to Indian Creek Rd (Hawthorn Woods)

- Indian Creek
- Large wetlands
- Transitioning to residential

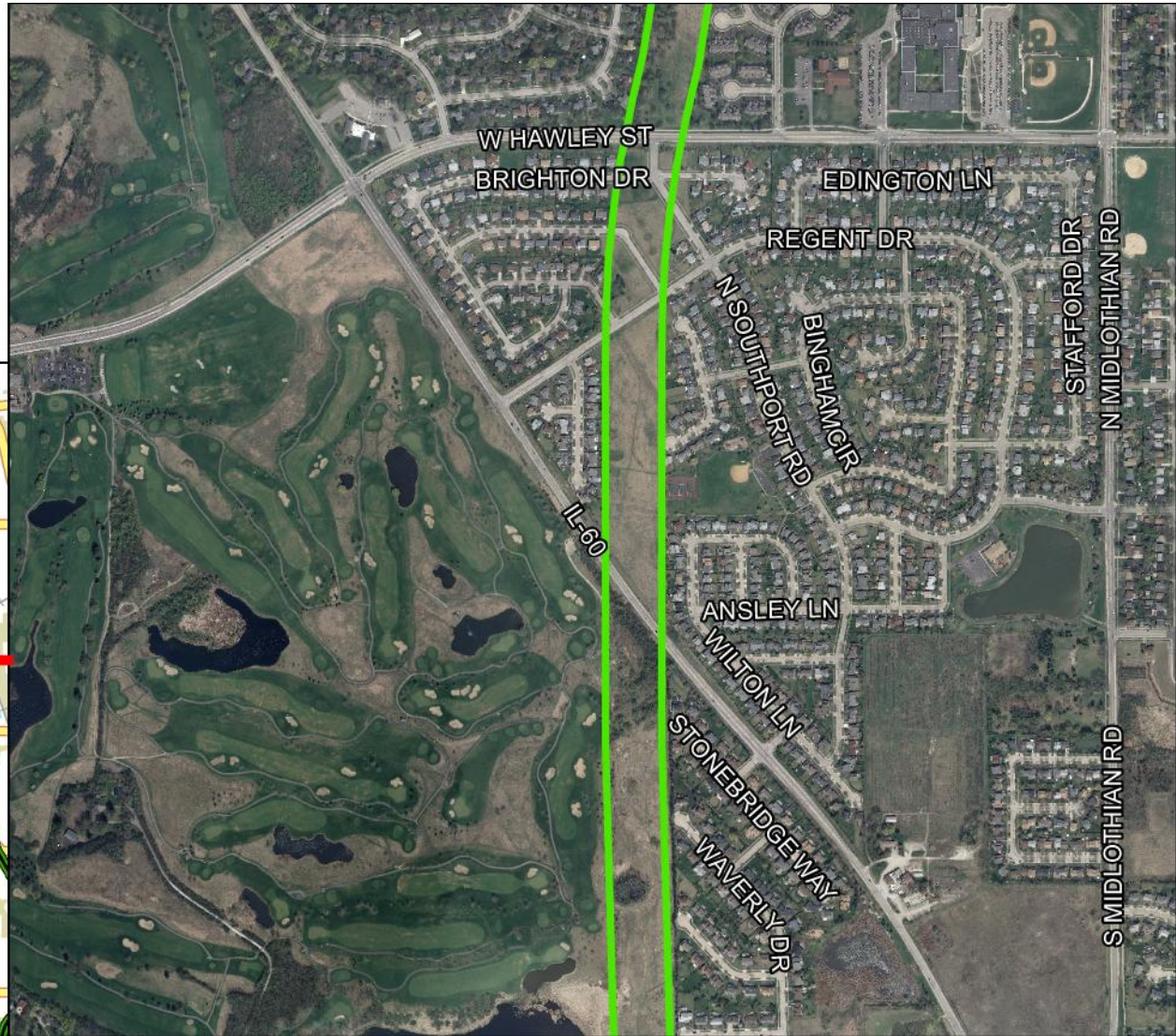


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4) IL Route 60 (Mundelein)

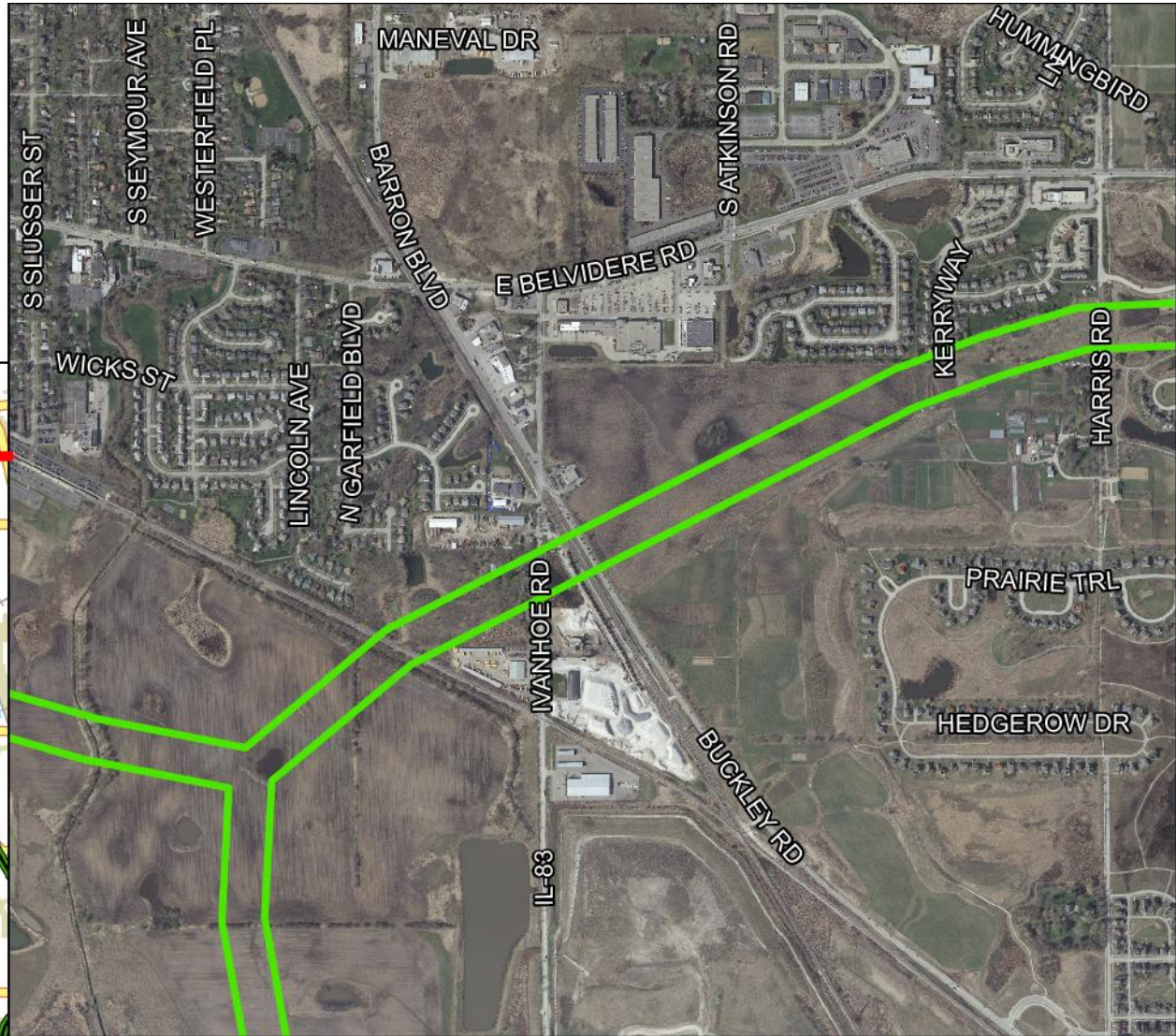
- Lake County Forest Preserve/Countryside Golf Club
- Substantial single-family residential
- Access, connectivity



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5) North Terminus (Grayslake)

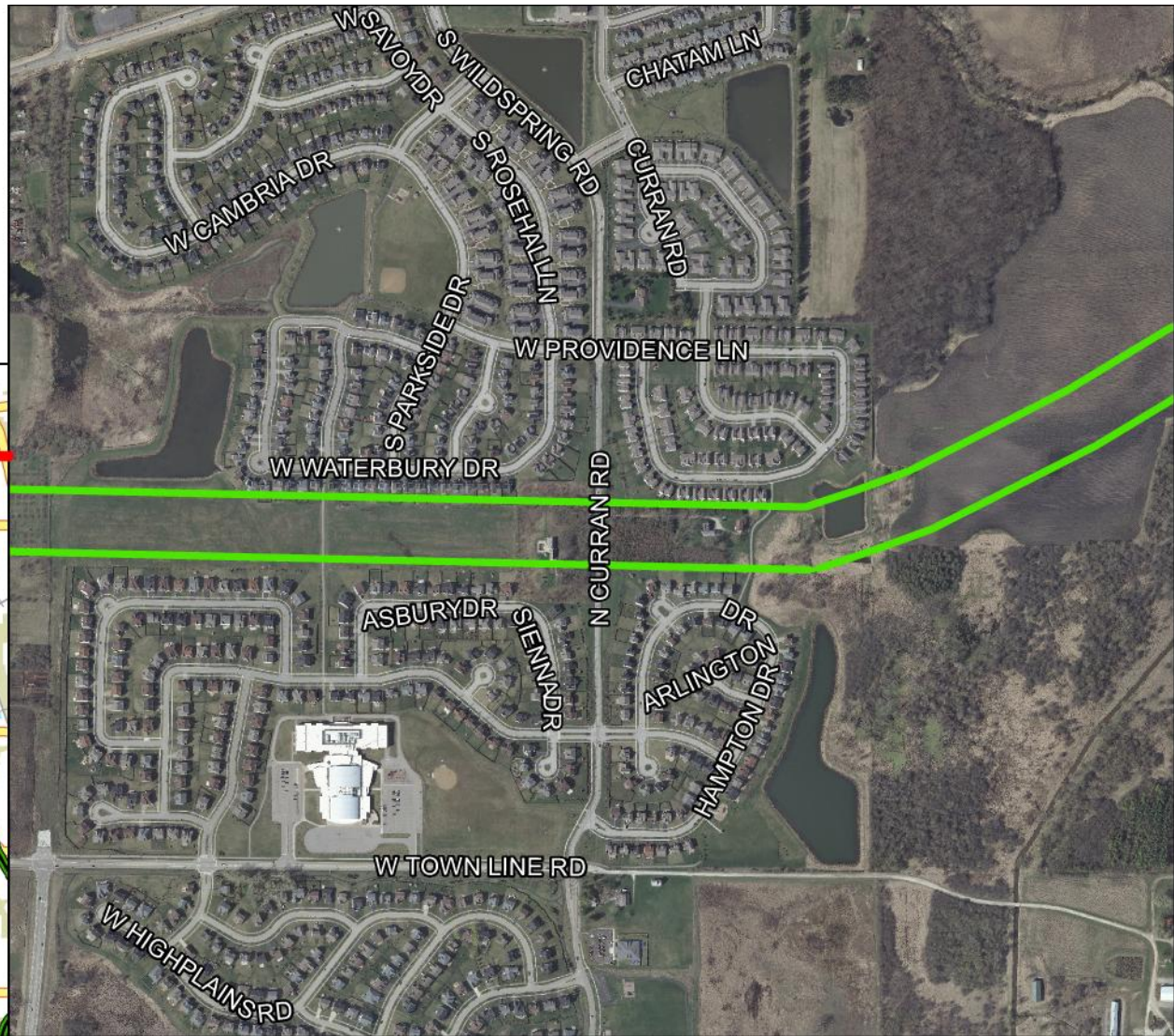
- Prairie Crossing
- Three nearby Metra stops
- Agricultural land



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6) Round Lake/Hainesville

- Residential development
- Squaw Creek watershed
- Wetland north of Campbell Airport

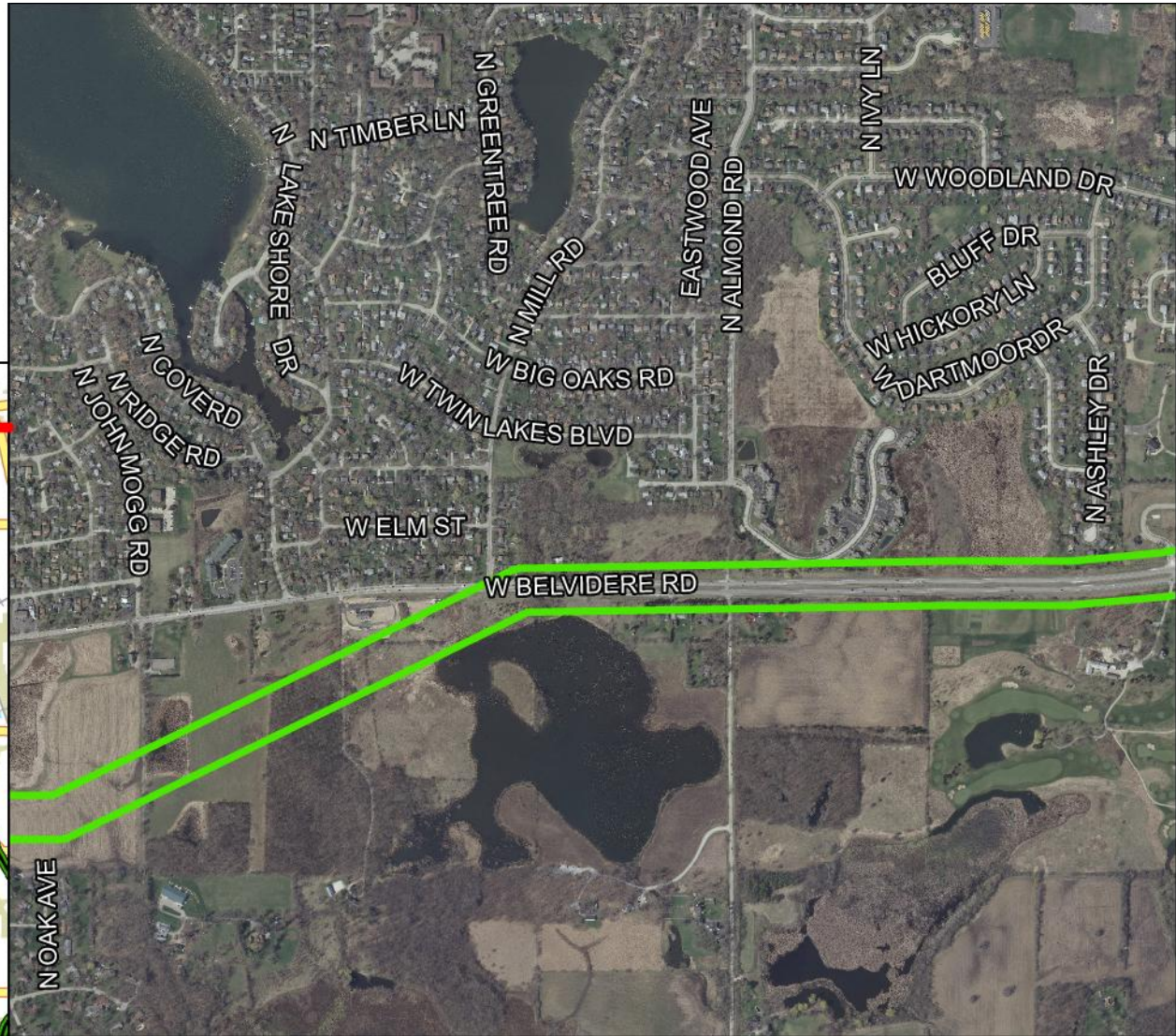


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7) Almond Marsh (Grayslake & Unincorporated)

- Liberty Prairie Reserve
- High quality marsh
- Lake County Forest Preserve property





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INNOVATIONS

Opportunities



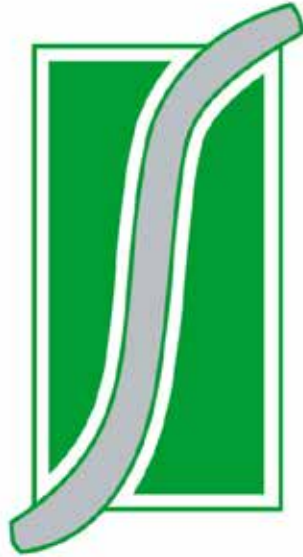


CMAP GO TO 2040 PLAN

GO TO 2040 calls for a 21st Century urban highway – this “modern boulevard” should have a smaller footprint to minimize potential negative impacts while protecting the natural environment and preserving the character of nearby communities.

CMAP VISION





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NEXT STEPS





NEXT FULL MEETING – OCTOBER 17, 10-12

- CMAP GO TO 2040 Plan
- Conceptual roadway and transit opportunities
 - Review land use, environmental concerns and known potential impacts
- Pricing and technology opportunities
- Discuss agendas for first round of Working Group meetings



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- **Council meeting materials** are available on the Tollway's community outreach page.

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Tollway Homepage: Traffic & Construction: Projects by Roadway (click triangle to expand): Community Outreach





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