

## **MILE LONG BRIDGE PROJECT**

Originally constructed in 1958, the Mile Long Bridge is nearing the end of its service life. Frequently requiring repairs and disrupting traffic for customers, the Tollway plans to rebuild the Mile Long Bridge structure as part of the Central Tri-State (I-294) Project. By rebuilding the bridge, customers will experience increased safety and less on-going repair disruptions.

This bridge is critical to the Central Tri-State because it carries drivers over two major railroads, three water resources, several roads, and serves a major shipping distribution center for UPS and Burlington Northern Santa Fe (BNSF) Railroad. Reconstruction of the bridge is scheduled to occur before the mainline due to the bridge condition, the need to coordinate with natural resource agencies, major business operations, property owners, and local agencies and to enable the Tollway to maintain four lanes of traffic during mainline construction.

The Mile Long Bridge is being built to accommodate the foreseeable future needs to the greatest extent possible as it is expected to last as long as 100 years.

## **PROJECT KEY POINTS**

The bridge is a **critical piece of infrastructure** to the Central
Tri-State corridor as it carries
drivers over many roadway
obstructions.

Reconstruction of the bridge requires a long lead time to coordinate with the many partners and agencies.

The successful reconstruction of this bridge is contingent on maintaining four lanes of traffic throughout mainline construction.







## **CENTRAL TRI-STATE TOLLWAY**

**Project Timeline** 



## 2024 2023 Mainline Construction 2022 **Burlington Northern Santa Fe Bridge** 2021 Right-of-Way Identification Process **Project Construction** North Avenue Interchange Project **Utility Relocation Design and Refine Phase** Construction 2020 2019 **Permitting** 2018 Concept Plan Phase 2017 **Planning** Corridor Council Report 2016

Project information can be found in the Outreach section on the Tollway's website at illinoistollway.com. Please email comments to 294tristate@getipass.com.

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