

ILLINOIS TOLLWAY NEWS

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ILLINOIS TOLLWAY AWARDS \$56 MILLION IN CONTRACTS FOR CONSTRUCTION AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES IN MARCH

Nearly \$9.6 billion invested since start of Move Illinois Program

DOWNERS GROVE, **IL** –The Illinois Tollway Board of Directors approved 12 construction and professional engineering services contracts totaling nearly \$56 million in March, including contracts that support new and growing construction businesses with opportunities to step up and become primes.

More than \$139.6 million in contracts has been approved by the Tollway Board in 2022, as part of the 11th year of the Tollway's 15-year, \$14 billion *Move Illinois* capital program. To date, nearly \$9.6 billion has been invested by the Illinois Tollway since the *Move Illinois* Program began in 2012, with more than \$2.5 billion of that total committed to small, diverse and veteran-owned firms. In addition, the capital program has created or sustained an estimated 106,630 total jobs as of February.

The contracts approved in March include five prime contractors and consultants and 37 subcontractors and subconsultants that are certified as disadvantaged, minority-and women-owned business enterprise (D/M/WBE) firms and one prime contractor and 11 subcontractors and subconsultant that are certified veteran-owned firms. Commitments for D/M/WBE participation range from 22.25 to 94 percent per contract and commitments for veteran participation range from 2.21 to 55 percent per contract.

March construction contracts awarded include:

- A \$23.2 million contract to Dunnet Bay Construction Co., of Glen Dale Heights, IL, for roadway
 and bridge construction, as part of the new I-490 Tollway/Illinois Route 390 Tollway Interchange
 on the west side of O'Hare International Airport.
- A \$4.2 million contract to Drive Construction, of Bridgeview, IL, for Tollway traffic operations and dispatch center construction.
- A \$3.8 million contract to Fence Masters, of Chicago Heights, IL, for systemwide roadway appurtenance repairs.
- A \$2.4 million contract to Aldridge Electric Inc., Libertyville, IL, for weigh-in-motion replacement on the Veterans Memorial Tollway (I-355) at Bruce Road.
- A \$1.8 million contract to Foundation Mechanics, of Des Plaines, IL, for weigh-in-motion replacement on the Tri-State Tollway (I-94) at Illinois Route 173.

March professional services contract awarded includes:

- A \$5 million contract to HDR Engineering Inc., of Chicago, IL, for systemwide design services upon request.
- A \$3 million contract to Stanley Consultants, of Chicago, IL, for systemwide construction management services upon request.
- A \$3 million contract to SQN Associates, of Chicago, IL, for construction management services upon request along the Tri-State Tollway (I-294).
- A \$3 million contract to Muller & Muller, of Chicago, IL, for systemwide facilities design services upon request.

- A \$3 million contract to Orion Engineers, of Chicago, IL, for systemwide design services upon request.
- A \$2 million contract to 4HD Inc., of Lombard, IL, for systemwide construction management services upon request.
- A \$1.5 million contract to Horner & Shifrin Inc., of Chicago, IL, for systemwide design services upon request.

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 through the Construction Contract Tracker.

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. These resources can be found in the "Doing Business" section of the Tollway's website.

About Move Illinois

The Illinois Tollway's 15-year, \$14 billion capital program, *Move Illinois: The Illinois Tollway Driving the Future*, is improving mobility, relieving congestion, reducing pollution, creating as many as 120,000 jobs and linking economies throughout the region. The first 10 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.