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ILLINOIS TOLLWAY AWARDS NEARLY \$31.5 MILLION IN CONTRACTS FOR CONSTRUCTION AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES IN MAY

More than \$9.6 billion invested since start of Move Illinois Program

DOWNERS GROVE, **IL** –The Illinois Tollway Board of Directors today approved seven construction and professional engineering services contracts totaling nearly \$31.5 million at its May Board meeting.

Nearly \$195.8 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, more than \$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 108,400 total jobs as of April.

"Move Illinois is providing construction and professional services opportunities for a wide variety of work needed in rebuilding and strengthening the Tollway's transportation infrastructure across Northern Illinois," said Interim Executive Director Lanyea Griffin.

The contracts approved in May include five contractors and consultants and 10 subcontractors and subconsultants that are certified as disadvantaged, minority-and women-owned business enterprise (D/M/WBE) firms and six subcontractors and subconsultant that are certified veteran-owned firms. Commitments for D/M/WBE participation range from 16.37 to 87 percent per contract and commitments for veteran participation range from 2.31 percent to 6 percent per contract.

May construction contracts awarded include:

- A \$12.9 million contract to Aldridge Electric Inc., Libertyville, IL, for active traffic management
 (ATM) system/intelligent transportation system (ITS) device and fiber installation on the TriState Tollway (I-294) between Wolf Road and Balmoral Avenue as part of the Central Tri-State
 Tollway Project.
- A \$6.3 million contract to Sumit Construction Co., Chicago, IL, for concrete pavement repairs on the Jane Addams Memorial Tollway (I-90) between the Kishwaukee River and River Road.
- A \$1.5 million contract to Foundation Mechanics, Chicago, IL, for drainage improvements on the Tri-State Tollway (I-94) between Half Day Road and Atkinson Road.
- A \$275,808 contract to Vixen Construction, Bridgeview, IL, for bridge sealing on 15 bridges on the Tri-State Tollway (I-94) between the Canadian National Railway and U.S. Route 41.

May professional engineering services contract awarded includes:

- A \$4 million contract to Delta Engineering Group, Chicago, IL, for systemwide intelligent transportation system (ITS) design services upon request.
- A \$3.3 million contract to HBM Engineering Group, Hillside, IL, for pavement and structural preservation and rehabilitation on the Illinois Route 390 Tollway between Lake Street and I-290.
- A \$3 million contract to American Surveying & Engineering, Chicago, IL for systemwide land acquisition 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.