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ILLINOIS TOLLWAY AWARDS \$11.2 MILLION IN NEW CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS IN APRIL

More than \$58.8 million in contracts approved for capital program work so far in 2023

DOWNERS GROVE, IL – The Illinois Tollway Board of Directors today approved five construction contracts totaling more than \$11.2 million at its April Board meeting. More than \$58.8 million in contracts has been approved by the Tollway Board in 2023, as part of the 12th year of the Tollway's 15-year, \$14 billion *Move Illinois* capital program.

To date, more than \$10.6 billion has been invested by the Illinois Tollway since the *Move Illinois* Program began in 2012, with more than \$2.7 billion of that total committed to small, diverse and veteran-owned firms. In addition, the capital program has created or sustained an estimated 119,870 total jobs as of March.

"The Illinois Tollway does an excellent job of maintaining our roads, bridges and other infrastructure by making repairs on a timely basis," said Illinois Tollway Executive Director Cassaundra Rouse. "Our commitment to infrastructure preservation not only maximizes performance and extends the useful life of our roadways, but it also enables us to preserve our high level of service to our customers."

April construction contracts awarded include:

- A \$7.3 million contract to Plote Construction Inc., Hoffman Estates, IL, for asphalt paving and pavement marking on the northbound Tri-State Tollway (I-294) between 95th Street and I-55.
- A \$1.2 million contract to Areatha Construction Co., Streamwood, IL, for ramp pavement repairs at the East Riverside Boulevard Interchange on the Jane Addams Memorial Tollway (I-90).
- A \$1.2 million contract to K-Five Construction Corp, Lemont, IL, for ramp pavement repairs at the Illinois Route 31 Interchange on the Reagan Memorial Tollway (I-88).
- A \$945,552 contract to Martinez Frogs Inc., Melrose Park, IL, for local road pavement repairs near the Tri-State Tollway (I-294) between I-57 and 147th Street and near I-57 between I-294 and Leavitt Avenue.
- A \$602,222 contract to Evergreen Supply Co., Chicago, IL, for intelligent transportation system (ITS) device and fiber material fabrication on the Tri-State Tollway (I-294) between St. Charles Road and Wolf Road.

The April contracts approved today include 13 certified disadvantaged, minority- and women-owned business enterprise (D/M/WBE) firms, as well as six certified veteran-owned firms. Commitments for D/M/WBE participation range from 22.18 percent to 56.86 percent per contract and commitments for veteran participation range from 2.59 percent to 3.14 percent per contract.

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 152,000 jobs and linking economies throughout the region. The first 11 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.