



# ILLINOIS TOLLWAY NEWS

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## **ILLINOIS TOLLWAY AWARDS \$59.6 MILLION IN CONTRACTS FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES IN FEBRUARY**

*Nearly \$7.3 billion invested since start of Move Illinois Program*

**DOWNERS GROVE, IL** – The Illinois Tollway Board of Directors today approved four professional engineering services contracts totaling \$59.6 million at its February Board meeting, including new construction management contracts for the Central Tri-State Tollway (I-294) Project and for the new I-490 Tollway.

“The Illinois Tollway is gearing up for a productive 2020 construction season,” said Illinois Tollway Executive Director José Alvarez. “This month’s contract awards will allow the Tollway to move forward with two critical projects that will enhance the Tollway system and also improve regional mobility and support new opportunity for economic development.”

Nearly \$105 million in construction and professional engineering services contracts has been approved by the Tollway Board in 2020, as part of the ninth year of the Tollway’s 15-year, \$14 billion capital program, *Move Illinois: The Illinois Tollway Driving the Future*.

To date, nearly \$7.3 billion has been invested by the Illinois Tollway since the *Move Illinois* Program began in 2012, with nearly \$2 billion of that total committed to small, diverse and veteran-owned firms. In addition, the capital program has created or sustained an estimated 78,940 total jobs as of January 2020.

The contracts approved today include two prime consultant and 19 subconsultants that are certified as disadvantaged, minority- and women-owned business enterprise (D/M/WBE) firms and four subconsultants that are certified veteran-owned firms. Commitments for D/M/WBE participation range from 33 percent to 94 percent per contract and commitments for veteran participation range from 4 to 10 percent per contract.

February professional engineering services contracts awarded include:

- A \$24 million contract to Burns & McDonnell Engineering/R.M. Chin & Associates, Chicago, IL/SE3, Lisle, IL, for construction management services for roadway widening and reconstruction on the Central Tri-State Tollway (I-294) between 95<sup>th</sup> Street and LaGrange Road.
- A \$16 million contract to Globetrotters Engineering Corporation, Chicago, IL, for construction management services for roadway widening and reconstruction on the Central Tri-State Tollway (I-294) between 75<sup>th</sup> Street and I-55.
- A \$10 million contract to TY Lin International, Chicago, IL, for construction management services for roadway and interchange construction for the new I-490 Tollway at the Jane Addams Memorial Tollway (I-90).
- A \$9.5 million contract to Millhouse Engineering & Construction, Inc., Chicago, IL, for construction management services for advance construction work for the new I-490 Tollway between Devon Avenue and Touhy Avenue.

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 on the basis of 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](http://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 nine 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) and planning for emerging projects.

### **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.

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