



*Move Illinois:  
The Illinois Tollway Driving the Future*

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**ILLINOIS TOLLWAY TO HOST NETWORKING EVENT TO PROMOTE  
OPPORTUNITIES FOR 2018 PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES WORK**

*Firms invited to connect with other firms to build teams  
and to learn about diversity goals, programs and resources*

**DOWNERS GROVE, IL** – The Illinois Tollway is hosting a 2018 Professional Engineering Services Networking Event on Friday, February 2, in Lombard for firms interested in participating in various planning, design and construction management contracts and services throughout the Tollway system. The upcoming work is part of the 15-year, \$14 billion capital program, *Move Illinois: The Illinois Tollway Driving the Future*.

“Approaching the midway point of the *Move Illinois* Program, we remain committed to delivering improvements and benefits to our customers as quickly and efficiently as possible,” said Illinois Tollway Executive Director Greg Bedalov. “This networking event is an excellent opportunity for firms to connect to build teams to participate on a variety projects throughout the Tollway system.”

The event will provide an opportunity for firms of all sizes and types, including disadvantaged, minority- and women-owned business enterprise (D/M/WBE) firms, as well as small and veteran-owned businesses to connect with other firms to build teams to work on Tollway contracts advertised in Professional Services Bulletin (PSB) 18-1, as well as learn about diversity programs, engineering resources and technical assistance.

Currently, PSB 18-1 includes an estimated \$58 million in professional engineering services contracts related to the Tollway's *Move Illinois* Program. The 15 contracts advertised will provide the Tollway with planning, design and construction management services for work on the Tri-State Tollway (I-94/I-294) and the Illinois Route 390 Tollway, as well as improvements systemwide including bridge and roadway reconstruction, pavement preservation, landscaping and ITS services.

The 2018 Professional Engineering Services Networking Event will be held from 1 to 4 p.m. on Friday, February 2, at the Westin Lombard, Yorktown Center, 70 Yorktown Center in Lombard.

The event will include presentation by speakers including Illinois Tollway Executive Director Greg Bedalov, Diversity and Strategic Development Department Chief Gustavo Giraldo and Deputy Chief of Program Control Systems Greg Stukel followed by a panel Q&A with additional Engineering Department and Planning Department staff joining including Chief Engineering Officer Paul, Kovacs and Chief Planning Officer Rocco Zucchero.

The networking portion of the event will provide the opportunity for consultants and subconsultants to network and offer access to exhibitor firms including 2IM Group LLC, Alfred Benesch & Co., AMEC Foster Wheeler, Christopher Burke Engineering, Collins Engineering, Crawford, Murphy & Tilly, EFK Moen, exp US Services, Quigg Engineering and TY Lin International.

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Event registration is available on the Illinois Tollway website [illinoistollway.com](http://illinoistollway.com). Pre-registration closes at noon on Thursday, February 1, but onsite registration will be available beginning at 12:30 p.m. on Friday, February 2.

**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 six 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 interstate tollways 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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