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*The Illinois Tollway Driving the Future*

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**ILLINOIS TOLLWAY AWARDS NEARLY \$125 MILLION IN CONTRACTS  
FOR CONSTRUCTION AND PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES IN MAY**

*Nearly \$5.9 billion invested since start of Move Illinois Program*

**DOWNERS GROVE, IL** – The Illinois Tollway Board of Directors today approved 13 construction contracts and 11 professional engineering service contracts totaling \$124.9 million at its May meeting. More than \$393 million in construction contracts have been approved by the Tollway Board in 2018, as part of the seventh year of the Tollway’s 15-year, \$14 billion capital program, *Move Illinois: The Illinois Tollway Driving the Future*.

To date, nearly \$5.9 billion has been invested by the Illinois Tollway since the *Move Illinois* Program began in 2012, with nearly \$1.7 billion of that total committed to small, diverse and veteran-owned firms. In addition, the capital program has created or sustained an estimated 58,910 total jobs as of April 2018.

“Today’s Board approval of six new small business set-aside contracts brings our total to 20 so far this year, exceeding the Tollway’s small business set-aside goal of 19 construction contracts for 2018,” said Illinois Tollway Executive Director Liz Gorman. “These contracts demonstrate the Tollway’s continued commitment to increasing opportunities for small and minority contractors to participate in the *Move Illinois* Program.”

The Illinois Tollway’s Small Business Initiative helps put small businesses in a position to succeed and grow as prime contractors by identifying select small business set-aside construction contracts, generally with values of approximately \$1 million, that can be offered specifically to small businesses and also promoting the use of small business goals on a project basis.

Since the start of the *Move Illinois* Program in 2012, the Tollway has approved 68 small business set-aside contracts to certified small firms, 36 of which awarded to firms that are also certified as diverse and veteran-owned businesses.

The contracts approved today include eight prime consultants, 26 subconsultants, three prime contractors and 26 subcontractors that are certified as disadvantaged, minority- and women-owned business enterprise (D/M/WBE) firms and five subconsultants, as well as one prime contractor and three subcontractors that are certified veteran-owned firms. Commitments for D/M/WBE participation range from 21 to 98 percent per contract and commitments for veteran participation range from 1 to 6 percent per contract.

May construction contracts awarded include:

- A \$37.5 million contract to a joint venture with Plote Construction Inc. Hoffman Estates, IL, and Dunnet Bay Construction Co. Glendale Heights, IL, for roadway and bridge rehabilitation on the Central Tri-State Tollway (I-294) between Wolf Road in Franklin Park and Balmoral Avenue.

- A \$12.2 million contract to Judlau Contracting Inc., College Point, NY, for rehabilitation work on the Central Tri-State Tollway (I-294) at the 82<sup>nd</sup> Street and 83<sup>rd</sup> Street Toll Plazas.
- A \$10.9 million contract to F.H. Paschen, S.N. Nielsen & Associates, Chicago, IL, for pavement and structural preservation and rehabilitation on the Reagan Memorial Tollway (I-88) between Washington Street and York Road.
- A \$4.6 million contract to K-Five Construction Corp., Westmont, IL, for rehabilitation work on the Central Tri-State Tollway (I-294) at the Cermak Toll Plaza.
- A \$3.3 million contract to K-Five Construction Corp. Westmont, IL, for pavement and structural preservation and rehabilitation on the Reagan Memorial Tollway (I-88) between Illinois Route 59 and Washington Street.
- A \$3.2 million contract to Lorig Construction Company, Des Plaines, IL, for local crossroad bridge rehabilitation on the Central Tri-State Tollway (I-294) between 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Cermak Road.
- A \$1.8 million contract to Abari Construction Inc., Bensenville, IL, for site improvements at the Downers Grove maintenance facility on the Veterans Memorial Tollway (I-355).
- A \$1.3 million contract to Natural Creations Landscaping, Joliet, IL, for landscaping improvements on the Illinois Route 390 Tollway between Rohlwing Road (Illinois Route 53) and Park Boulevard.
- A \$1.3 million contract to Demarc Electric and Communications, Lombard, IL, for lighting improvements on the Veterans Memorial Tollway (I-355) between I-80 and I-55.
- An \$824,997 contract to AC Pavement Striping Company, Elgin, IL, for pavement marking work systemwide.
- A \$640,623 contract to Cardinal State, Lake in the Hills, IL, for landscaping improvements on the Illinois Route 390 Tollway between Lake Street (U.S. Route 20) and York Road.
- A \$352,529 contract to Spark Construction Co., Skokie, IL, for curb repair at the Chicago Southland Lincoln, Hinsdale, O'Hare and Lake Forest Oases on the Tri-State Tollway (I-94/I-294/I-80).
- A \$155,958 contract to Spark Construction Co., Skokie, IL, for curb repair at the Belvidere Oasis on the Jane Addams Memorial Tollway (I-90) and the DeKalb Oasis on the Reagan Memorial Tollway (I-88).

May professional engineering services contract awards include:

- A \$13.5 million contract to H.W. Lochner Inc., Chicago, IL, for construction management services for roadway and bridge rehabilitation and widening on the Central Tri-State Tollway (I-294) between Wolf Road in Franklin Park and Balmoral Avenue.
- An \$8 million contract to 2IM Group, Chicago, IL, for design and construction services upon request.
- A \$7.3 million contract to Kristine Fallon Associates Inc., Chicago, IL, for document and process control management services.
- A \$3.5 million contract to EJM Engineering Inc./TranSmart Technologies Inc., Chicago, IL, for intelligent transportation systems services upon request.
- A \$3 million contract to Crawford, Murphy & Tilly Inc., Springfield, IL, for design services upon request.
- A \$3 million contract to Cotter Consulting Inc., Chicago, IL, for construction management services upon request.
- A \$2.5 million contract to R. M. Chin & Associates Inc., Chicago, IL, for construction management services upon request.
- A \$2.1 million contract to Clark Dietz Inc., Chicago, IL, for construction management services for pavement and structural preservation and rehabilitation work on the Reagan Memorial Tollway (I-88) between Washington Street and York Road.

- A \$1.7 million contract to Apex Consulting Engineers, Chicago, IL, for construction management services for pavement and structural preservation and rehabilitation on the Tri-State Tollway (I-294) between Balmoral Avenue and Lake Cook Road.
- A \$1.6 million contract to The Upchurch Group Inc., Elgin, IL, for design services for widening of the Windsor Road Bridge over ramps connecting the Reagan Memorial Tollway (I-88) and the Tri-State Tollway (I-294).
- A \$699,800 contract to TransLand Engineering Group, Aurora, IL, for construction management services for pavement and structural preservation and rehabilitation on the Reagan Memorial Tollway (I-88) between Illinois Route 59 and Washington Street.

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, rather than low bid. Contract services staff from the Engineering Department checks statements of interest to ensure that specified pre-qualifications and documentation requirements are met. Tollway engineers and managers then review and score statements of interest based on the advertised selection criteria service. Tollway Diversity Department staff also reviews the statements of interest for compliance with advertised diversity criteria. Executives from the Engineering Department then review the scoring, as well as each firm's capacity, and identify the top recommended firms per project. To complete the selection, a committee of Tollway professionals and independent engineering officials considers the top recommended firms and finalizes the top three firms in ranked order. The Tollway then seeks to negotiate a final contract price with the top-ranked firm. The award of a professional engineering services contract is dependent on approval by the Tollway Board of Directors.

Construction contracts for Illinois Tollway projects are competitively bid under the rules of the Illinois Procurement Code. As part of the process, contractors' bid submissions for construction work advertised by the Tollway are opened and read aloud during public bid opening meetings, which are also broadcast live on the Tollway's website. Following an agency review process, the lowest, responsible and responsive bid is presented to the Illinois Tollway Board of Directors for review and approval.

The Illinois Tollway provides detailed information about current Tollway construction contracts through the Construction Contract Tracker on the Tollway's website at [illinoistollway.com](http://illinoistollway.com). 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 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 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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