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ILLINOIS TOLLWAY PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE MEETINGS PLANNED FOR CENTRAL TRI-STATE TOLLWAY (I-294) PROJECT

Events scheduled in Burr Ridge, Justice and Schiller Park

DOWNERS GROVE, IL – The Illinois Tollway will host open house meetings next week to share 2019 construction information with customers, residents, businesses and communities as part of ongoing \$4 billion Central Tri-State Tollway (I-294) Project.

The Central Tri-State is being reconstructed from Balmoral Avenue to 95th Street to provide congestion relief, reconstruct old infrastructure to meet current and future transportation demand and address regional needs.

The open house meetings will provide the opportunity to view informational displays and ask questions about work scheduled in 2019 including roadway construction and widening in the northern segment between Balmoral Avenue and Wolf Road and the start of construction on the Mile Long Bridge and the BNSF Railway Bridge, as well as the overall concept plan for the corridor.

The open house schedule includes meetings on:

- Monday, May 20, 6-8 p.m. at the Burr Ridge Police Department, 7700 S. County Line Road, Burr Ridge
- Tuesday, May 21, 6-8 p.m., at the Lipinski Center, 7256 Skyline Drive, Justice
- Wednesday, May 22, 6-8 p.m., at the Schiller Park Community Center, 4501 25th Avenue, Schiller Park

The Illinois Tollway values public input and believes that Tollway customers are best served when a variety of perspectives on the issues are shared.

Construction information for 2019 construction season and the concept plan for the Central Tri-State Project can be viewed online at <u>illinoistollway.com/projects</u>. In addition, comments can be shared with the Tollway at any time via email at <u>294tristate@getipass.com</u>.

The Central Tri-State (I-294) Project is funded by the Illinois Tollways 15-year, \$14 billion capital program, *Move Illinois: The Illinois Tollway Driving the Future.*

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 seven years of *Move Illinois* is on schedule and within budget, delivering the rebuilt and widened Jane Addams Memorial Tollway (I-90) as a state-of-the-art 21st century corridor and 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 Elgin O'Hare Western Access Project and planning for emerging projects, including 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.