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**NORTHWEST COUNCIL OF MAYORS  
TECHNICAL COMMITTEE**

**Agenda**

**Friday, July 21, 2023**

**8:30 a.m.**

**Barrington Village Hall**

- MEMBERS**  
Antioch  
Arlington Heights  
Bannockburn  
Barrington  
Bartlett  
Buffalo Grove  
Deer Park  
Deerfield  
Des Plaines  
Elk Grove Village  
Evanston  
Fox Lake  
Glencoe  
Glenview  
Grayslake  
Hanover Park  
Highland Park  
Hoffman Estates  
Kenilworth  
Lake Bluff  
Lake Forest  
Lake Zurich  
Libertyville  
Lincolnshire  
Lincolnwood  
Morton Grove  
Mount Prospect  
Niles  
Northbrook  
Northfield  
Northfield Township  
Palatine  
Park Ridge  
Prospect Heights  
Rolling Meadows  
Schaumburg  
Skokie  
Streamwood  
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**I. Call to Order**

**II. Approval of April 28, 2023 Meeting Minutes (Attachment A)**

**Action Requested:** Approval of minutes

**III. Agency Reports**

- a. CMAP Report (Attachment B)
- b. IDOT Highways Report
- c. IDOT Local Roads Update (Attachment C)
- d. Illinois Tollway (Attachment D)
- e. Cook County Department of Transportation and Highways (Attachment E)
- f. Metra
- g. Pace (Attachment F)
- h. RTA (Attachment G)

**Action Requested:** Informational

**IV. CMAP PART Presentation**

Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP) staff will present the Plan of Action for Region Transit (PART) project. CMAP is convening representatives from the business, community, environmental, labor, and civic sectors to develop and submit this plan to the governor and General Assembly on or before January 1, 2024.

**Action Requested:** Informational/Discussion

**V. Northwest Council Surface Transportation Program**

**A. Current Program Update (Attachment H)**

Staff will provide an overview of the current program, noting any changes since the previous meeting.

**Action Requested:** Informational/Discussion

**B. Cost Increase Request (Attachment I)**

Staff will provide an overview of the cost increase requests that were received for the \$800,000 that was returned to the council budget when Schaumburg's Hammond & Algonquin (IL Route 62) intersection improvement project removed itself from the program. The Technical Committee will need to decide how to allocate these funds.

**Action Requested:** Approve cost increase

**C. Approval of Current Program (Attachment J)**

Committee approval is needed to include changes in the current program.

**Action Requested:** Approve program

**VI. Proposed Changes to STP Methodology (Attachment K)**

Staff will present a summary of changes proposed by the STP Methodology Working Group that met on July 6 for consideration by the Technical committee.

**Action Requested:** Approve Changes

**VII. Other Business**

**VIII. Next Meeting**

The next Northwest Council of Mayors Technical Committee meeting is scheduled for Friday, October 27 at 8:30 a.m. at the Barrington Village Hall.

**IX. Adjourn**

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Hoffman Estates  
Kenilworth  
Lake Bluff  
Lake Forest  
Lake Zurich  
Libertyville  
Lincolnshire  
Lincolnwood  
Morton Grove  
Mount Prospect  
Niles  
Northbrook  
Northfield  
Northfield Township  
Palatine  
Park Ridge  
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**NORTHWEST COUNCIL OF MAYORS****TECHNICAL COMMITTEE****Minutes****Friday, April 28, 2023****8:30 a.m.****Barrington Village Hall**

The Northwest Council of Mayors Technical Committee met on Friday, April 28, 2023 at the Barrington Village Hall. The following committee members were in attendance:

President Karen Darch, Chair  
Mayor Tom Hayes  
Dane Bragg  
Reid Ottesen  
Brian Townsend  
Jon Sfondilis

**Others Present:**

Mike Pagones  
Aldair Vargas  
Heather Lis  
Ken Jay  
Alan Wenderski  
Matt Barry  
Aaron Grosskopf  
JoEllen Charlton  
Dan Kaup  
Alex Househ  
Cecilia Diaz  
Steven Andrews  
Jon Haadsma  
Katlyn Dote  
Rick Mack  
Dave Block  
Zubair Haider  
Dan Brinkman  
Akram Chaudhry  
Janice Pang  
Tom Gill  
Joel Christell  
Duane O'Laughlin  
Eric Czarnota  
Larry Bury

Village of Barrington  
Village of Arlington Heights  
Village of Buffalo Grove  
Village of Palatine  
Village of Schaumburg  
Village of Wheeling

Village of Arlington Heights  
Village of Arlington Heights  
Village of Barrington  
Village of Elk Grove Village  
Village of Hoffman Estates  
Village of Palatine  
City of Rolling Meadows  
City of Rolling Meadows  
Village of Wheeling  
IDOT  
Cook County DOTD  
Pace  
CMAP  
Metra  
Metra  
Transystems  
Baxter & Woodman  
Gewalt Hamilton  
HR Green  
Chastain & Associates  
Thomas Engineering Group  
Civiltech  
Ciorba Group  
NWMC  
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**I. Call to Order**

President Darch called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m., and asked attendees to introduce themselves.

## II. **Approval of January 27, 2023 Meeting Minutes**

*Mayor Hayes moved approval of the January 27, 2023 meeting minutes. Mr. Sfondilis seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.*

## III. **Agency Reports**

### a. **CMAP Report**

Mr. Haadsma highlighted that CMAP had recently applied and received a grant to create a Safe Travels for All Roadmap (STAR) so that counties and municipalities will be able to apply for implementation grants for Safe Streets for All. He also reported that CMAP is working on creating a Plan of Action for Regional Transit (PART). PART will encompass an assessment of the financial viability and funding options, rider experience, governance, as well as community and economic development pertaining to the region's public transit.

### b. **IDOT Highways Report**

No report.

### c. **IDOT Local Roads Update**

Mr. Househ noted that there were no changes to the status sheet handout since the last meeting. He announced the section 1440 form that will allow Phase I work to begin while agreements are processing. However, a project will be unable to invoice until Phase I Design Approval has been received. For Phase II the same process can occur. He also mentioned that IDOT has begun a new program where IDOT will review your project area and if there are no endangered species or wetlands in the area the project will no longer be required to submit an ESR form.

### d. **Illinois Tollway**

Written report provided.

### e. **Cook County Department of Transportation and Highways**

Ms. Diaz announced that 2023 Invest in Cook applications are now being reviewed and finalists can expect to begin being contacted in 2 to 3 months. Additionally, she mentioned that the proposed 2024 transportation improvement program for the county had been recently been released.

### f. **Metra**

Ms. Dote reported that Metra is currently operating at 45% pre-pandemic level and on April 3, Metra implemented an updated schedule along the UP-NW line, incorporating an additional 12 trains. Ms. Dote then announced that Metra had recently released their 2023-2027 strategic plan that focuses on the operational and financial challenges that the organization faces for the future.

### g. **Pace**

Mr. Andrews reported that system-wide ridership is up 11.4% from the same time last year. He also announced that Pace was awarded CMAP's resilience award for Project Zero which is Pace's goal to transition to an entirely zero-emission fleet by 2040. Pace currently has 1 electric bus in service with 20 more in procurement. Mr. Andrews also announced Van-GO which is a flexible van pool program at the Platine Metra station to help with last mile service.

Mr. Townsend asked if the Wrigley field shuttle service will be restored.

Mr. Andrews said that Pace would like to however, currently they do not have enough operators to run that service. The Soldier field shuttle was restored because it only runs on Sundays when there is less regular service.

h. **RTA**

Written report provided.

**IV. Changes to Northwest Council Functional Classification Procedures**

Staff presented a memo detailing changes to the council's functional classification determination procedures moving forward. *Mayor Hayes moved approval of the changes. Mr. Bragg seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.*

**V. Northwest Council Surface Transportation Program**

**A. Current Program Update**

Staff provided an overview of the current program, noting any changes since the previous meeting.

Mr. Ottesen asked if any projects in the program would not be able to obligate in time.

Mr. Czarnota said that it would be hard to tell until June Quarterly Status updates are submitted and that he would update the committee at their next meeting.

**B. Approval of Current Program**

*Mr. Townsend moved approval of the current program. Mr. Bragg seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.*

**VI. Proposed Changes to STP Methodology**

Staff presented a summary of proposed changes by the STP Methodology Working Group that met on March 22. The Technical Committee approved the Working Group's recommendation to increase the funding cap for intersection and reconstruction projects to \$5 million, subject to Technical Committee approval. The cap for resurfacing projects will remain at \$3.5 million. The committee also approved the use of IDOT's condition rating survey or a municipalities own data as long as it aligns closely with IDOT's scoring and is as up to date as IDOT's data to score pavement data. The working group will reconvene prior to the next Technical Committee to further discuss changes to Complete Streets, Safety Data and Level of Service.

**VII. Northwest Council Subregional Priority Points**

Staff announced the results of the redistribution of the Northwest Council's Subregional Priority Points for CMAP's Call for Projects.

**VIII. Other Business**

No report.

**IX. Next Meeting**

The committee scheduled the next meeting for Friday, July 21 at 8:30 a.m. at the Barrington Village Hall.

**X. Adjourn**

*Mr. Sfondilis moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:24 a.m. Mayor Hayes seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.*

## CMAP News

The CMAP office is open daily and [staff](#) have established hybrid work schedules. As of May 11, 2023, in accordance with the requirements of the Open Meetings Act (OMA), CMAP committee meetings will be held in-person and a quorum of committee members must be physically present. CMAP will continue to provide options for non-member attendees to participate in meetings virtually. Meeting materials, webinar links, minutes, and recordings can be found on [CMAP's Legistar page](#). For general questions, complete our [contact form](#). Subscribe to updates from CMAP on transportation, the economy, climate and more [here](#).

## Job Opportunities

CMAP is hiring for several full-time positions: an [Air Quality Analyst / Senior Analyst](#) in the Research, Analysis and Programming Department; an [Administrative Assistant](#) on the Executive Team; a [Senior Communications Specialist](#) in the Communications and Engagement Department; a [Planner](#) in the Planning Department; and a [Deputy of Administration Services and Finance](#), [Senior Procurement Analyst](#), [Procurement Analyst](#), and [Associate Human Resources Generalist](#) in the Finance and Administration Department. Visit CMAP's [Careers page](#) to discover more job opportunities.

Additionally, the McHenry County DOT is hiring a [Planning Manager](#).

## Plan of Action for Regional Transit (PART)

As directed by Public Act 102-1028, CMAP is developing the [Plan of Action for Regional Transit \(PART\)](#) report, a set of legislative recommendations to strengthen the regional transit system, which is facing a funding crisis that has the potential to decimate service, cripple our regional and local economies, and diminish quality of life. This report must be approved by CMAP's Board and MPO Policy Committee before it is submitted to the General Assembly and Governor's Office by January 1, 2024. The recommendations will include improving transit through enhanced bus service, enabling fare integration and other measures, identifying sustainable revenues for the system through changes to the sales tax and other mechanisms, and exploring what governance reforms are needed to enact these desired changes. The PART report will leverage findings and input from the RTA and its [Transit is the Answer](#) strategic plan, as well as CMAP's [Mobility Recovery](#) project.

CMAP is also required to assemble a steering committee comprised of business, civic, labor, and environmental stakeholders who will help guide development of the recommendations. The PART steering committee have held three meetings, and will next convene on Wednesday, July 19th. If you are interested in receiving a briefing on the PART report, please contact Jane Grover at [jgrover@cmapp.illinois.gov](mailto:jgrover@cmapp.illinois.gov) or 312-386-8802.

## Program Status Updates

### CRRSAA Program

On December 27, 2020, Title IV of the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2021 (CRRSAA) was enacted. This Act resulted in the allocation of \$42,647,247 to be programmed and managed by CMAP. In the fall of 2021, the STP Project Selection Committee and local councils of mayors selected [33 individual project phases](#) for CRRSAA funding. The [Regional CRRSAA Status Report](#) and [Regional CRRSAA Accounting Summary](#) were updated in July 2023.

Staff Contact: [Kama Dobbs](#) (312-386-8710)

### **Surface Transportation Program**

The [STP Project Selection Committee](#) will meet on **July 13, 2023**. At the meeting, the committee will approve opening the public comment period for the Staff Recommended FFY 2024 – 2028 Shared Fund [Active](#) and [Contingency](#) programs. [Meeting Materials](#) are posted on CMAP's Legistar page. Program status reports for the STP Shared Fund, based on quarterly updates submitted by project sponsors and an accounting of available, programmed, and obligated funds for the region are available on CMAP's [STP web page](#).

Staff Contact: [Kama Dobbs](#) (312-386-8710)

### **Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) and Transportation Alternatives (TAP-L)**

The most recent CMAQ Project Selection Committee (PSC) meeting was held on April 13, 2023., and the committee's next meeting is scheduled for **July 13, 2023**. [Meeting materials](#) are posted on CMAP's Legistar page one week in advance of the meetings. Information for submitting change requests for CMAQ or TAP-L funded projects can be found on CMAP's [CMAQ web page](#).

Staff Contact: [Doug Ferguson](#) (312-386-8824)

### **Safe Travel for All Roadmap (STAR)**

CMAP's STAR program aims to improve the region's traffic safety environment. It will continue and build on the work of the Safety Action Agenda and align the effort with new federal funding opportunities including: the development of policy related to speed management, bicycle and pedestrian safety; the creation of safety action plans for qualifying local partners, the dedication of resources to planning and implementing complete streets projects and the creation of data resources for partners to better address safety.

Northeastern Illinois was awarded a \$5 million grant to improve traffic safety across the region. The joint application submitted by CMAP, IDOT, and the region's counties will fund a comprehensive, regional program called [Safe Travel for All Roadmap](#) (STAR), which will provide a framework for safety research and programs to make northeastern Illinois safer for all travelers.

Staff Contact: [Victoria Barrett](#) (312-386-8641)

### **CMAP Products and Data**

#### **Greenhouse Gas Emissions Inventory and Local Summaries**

An updated [greenhouse gas emissions inventory](#) using 2019 data is available. This shows that between 2010 and 2019, overall greenhouse gas emissions in northeastern Illinois decreased by 9 percent. While this is progress, the region has a shared goal of reducing emissions by 5 percent annually through 2050, and it fell 36 percent short of the goal. [Individualized data summaries](#) by county, community, and Chicago neighborhood that provide a snapshot of emissions from the building, transportation, and waste sectors are also available.

#### **Improving Accessibility in the Region**

CMAP has launched a program to help communities in northeastern Illinois improve accessibility for their residents and visitors with disabilities. This [CMAP webpage](#) provides communities and partners with essential information about improving accessibility and complying with the Americans with Disabilities Act. CMAP also hosted a series of free ADA trainings. These interactive workshops covered

ADA and Title II requirements, completing a self-evaluation, the role of an ADA coordinator, and developing a transition plan. Training slides and recordings are available on the [CMAP website](#) and we expect to launch more trainings in early fall! Sign-up to receive the Accessible Communities newsletter by updating your subscriber preferences [here](#). For questions, email [accessibility@cmmap.illinois.gov](mailto:accessibility@cmmap.illinois.gov).

### **IJA booklet and resources for communities**

CMAP has launched an [online resource](#) to provide communities and partners with the essential information they need to know about IJA and its benefits to the region. This includes funding estimates for existing transportation programs as well as new programs that can make our regional transportation system stronger and more resilient for the next generation of users.

CMAP has also been working with partners and stakeholders to prioritize and achieve consensus around sustainable solutions to our region's transportation challenges. The highest priority projects for the region are reflected in the [IJA booklet](#). These projects align with the [core principles](#) that guide IJA and our region — inclusive growth, resilience, and prioritized investment.

## **From Our Partners**

### **2022 Statewide Crash Data**

On June 20, 2023 IDOT released [Circular Letter 2023-18](#) regarding the 2022 statewide crash data and safety portal. The information can be accessed by logging into [IDOT's Safety Portal](#), which provides access to search and retrieve individual crash reports, view the location of a crash on a map, access the full 10-year retention period for historical and trend analysis purposes of sites and crashes, and generate standardized summary reports of crash data based on various input parameters. Additional crash data may be requested by contacting the Bureau of Data Collection at [DOT.DTS.DataRequests@illinois.gov](mailto:DOT.DTS.DataRequests@illinois.gov). Additionally, the 2021 Illinois [Crash Facts and Statistics Publications](#) are also available on the IDOT website.

### **Bicycle Facility Inventory System**

IDOT has launched the [Bicycle Facility Inventory System](#). Users have access to add new facilities, update existing facilities, and mark facilities as decommissioned. A recording of the April 5th [webinar](#) which demonstrates how to use the system is available. For questions and additional information please email: [DOT.BikePed@Illinois.gov](mailto:DOT.BikePed@Illinois.gov).

### **Vulnerable Road User Safety Assessment**

On March 15, 2023, IDOT released [Circular Letter 2023-10](#). With the passage of IJA, IDOT is required to assist and support LPAs to perform a Vulnerable Road User (VRU) Safety Assessment as part of the state's Highway Safety Improvement Plan. The law establishes that the VRU Safety Assessment must be completed no later than November 15, 2023. You can help improve safety by identifying areas in your community that may be unsafe for bicyclists, pedestrians, or other vulnerable road in a new [online map](#).

### **FHWA Bicycle and Pedestrian Planning, Program, and Project Development Guidance**

FHWA has issued updated Bicycle and Pedestrian Planning, Program, and Project Development Guidance. It is posted on FHWA's [BIL webpage](#) and the [Bicycle and Pedestrian Guidance webpage](#). For questions, please contact Todd Schmidt: [todd.schmidt@dot.gov](mailto:todd.schmidt@dot.gov) or 312-353-3868.



### **TRB Publication - “Making Travel More Equitable for People with Disabilities.”**

The Transportation Research Board published the fourth part in a blog series on equity, “[Making Travel More Equitable for People with Disabilities](#).” The blog focuses on the challenges faced by people with disabilities in accessing transportation systems and the need for improvements in infrastructure, policies, and services to address these barriers. The roles of inclusive design, technological advancements, and stakeholder collaboration in creating accessible transportation options are emphasized. The blog also presents examples of successful initiatives and best practices from different regions to inspire and guide future efforts towards enhancing the travel experience for individuals with disabilities.

### **Streamlined Environmental Survey Screening Process**

On March 7, 2023, IDOT released [Circular Letter 2023-08](#), which details significant improvements and changes made to streamline the process of environmental surveys to improve review time. Recent Bureau of Design and Environment (BDE) policy changes allow local projects to now be screened for natural and cultural resources by certain qualified and trained Central Office Bureau of Local Roads and Streets (CBLRS) Staff. The intent of the screening process is to also determine which projects must be submitted for more detailed surveys via the BDE Environmental Survey Request (ESR) process. For new projects which have not previously submitted an ESR and are not already within the BDE ESR queue, the new screening processes became effective on all documents submitted after March 6, 2023.

## **Funding Opportunities**

### **2023 Safe Routes to School Webinars**

The 2023 funding cycle for Safe Routes to School will open August 1, 2023 and close **October 2, 2023**. To assist with the preparation of the upcoming cycle, IDOT has partnered with the Active Transportation Alliance to offer an informational webinar series.

#### **SRTS Webinar 1 – Grant Overview**

- Wednesday, July 12, 11:30am – 1pm
- Register here: [https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_GC5COIkVTxiFqI8LmfKeA](https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_GC5COIkVTxiFqI8LmfKeA)

#### **SRTS Webinar 2 – Q&A with IDOT**

- Wednesday, August 23, 11:30am – 1pm
- Register here: [https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_spFA0MjARiqMatdB5oND9g](https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_spFA0MjARiqMatdB5oND9g)

#### **SRTS Webinar 3 – Q&A with IDOT**

- Wednesday, September 20, 11:30am – 1pm
- Register here: [https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_mfloVU7kSuG8vSgCi14low](https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_mfloVU7kSuG8vSgCi14low)

For question, please contact IDOT Safe Routes to School staff at [DOT.SAFEROUTES@Illinois.gov](mailto:DOT.SAFEROUTES@Illinois.gov).

### **FFY 2022 and 2023 Wildlife Crossing Pilot Program (WCPP)**

On April 4, 2023, the US DOT released a [NOFO](#) for the Wildlife Crossing Discretionary Grant Pilot Program (WCPP), which aims to protect wildlife, reduce the number of Wildlife Vehicle Collisions (WVC), and improve habitat connectivity for terrestrial and aquatic species. WCPP grants are available for all project activities, including but not limited to research, planning, design, and construction. The total amount of funding that is available is up to \$111.85M. It is anticipated that 60% or more of the available funds will be award to applicants in rural areas. Applications are due by **August 1, 2023** through [www.grants.gov](http://www.grants.gov). For questions and additional information please email: [wildlifecrossings@dot.gov](mailto:wildlifecrossings@dot.gov).

## **PROTECT Program**

On May 2, 2023, the USDOT released a [NOFO](#) for the Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative, Efficient, and Cost-Saving Transportation (PROTECT), which is a new discretionary grant program created by the IIJA. There are four categories of funding under the PROTECT Discretionary Grant Program: one for Planning Grants and three for Resilience Grants. The three Resilience Grants categories are for Resilience Improvement, Community Resilience and Evacuation Routes, and At-Risk Coastal Infrastructure projects. Applications are due by **August 18, 2023** through [www.grants.gov](http://www.grants.gov). Additional resources are available [here](#).

## **FY2023 Multimodal Project Discretionary Grant Program**

USDOT has released the [NOFO](#) for the Multimodal Project Discretionary Grant Program. This funding supports three major discretionary grant programs that involve surface transportation projects designed to strengthen supply chains, spur economic development, and improve safety and daily life. Applications for funding through the Rural, INFRA, and Mega grants are being solicited together under a single opportunity titled the Multimodal Project Discretionary Grant program. Applications must be submitted through [Grants.gov](http://Grants.gov) by **August 21, 2023**. Applicants may find the NOFO, Frequently Asked Questions, and other helpful resources [here](#).

## **FY 2023 Reconnecting Communities and Neighborhoods Program (RCN)**

USDOT has released the [FY 2023 NOFO](#) for the Reconnecting Communities and Neighborhoods Program. This RCN NOFO is a combination of two major discretionary grant opportunities: The [Reconnecting Communities Pilot](#) (RCP) and [Neighborhood Access and Equity](#) (NAE) Programs. USDOT has combined these two programs into a single NOFO to provide a more efficient application process for project sponsors. While they remain separate programs for the purposes of award, the programs share many common characteristics, and it is possible for projects to be eligible and considered for both programs using a single application. Under the combined RCN Program, USDOT is offering three grant types: Community Planning Grants, Capital Construction Grants, and Regional Partnerships Challenge Grants. To apply, the three grant programs have been split into two application sites:

1. [Community Planning Grants and Regional Partnerships Challenge Grants with Planning Activities](#)
2. [Capital Construction Grants and Regional Partnerships Challenge Grants with Construction Activities](#)

Applications must be submitted through Valid Evaluation by **September 28, 2023**. A series of webinars are scheduled to provide information on the Reconnecting Communities and Neighborhoods grant program. Registration is not required – simply use the appropriate [webinar link](#) at the designated time. For questions, contact Andrew Emanuele at [reconnectingcommunities@dot.gov](mailto:reconnectingcommunities@dot.gov).

## **Training Opportunities**

### **Bicycle and Pedestrian Planning, Program, and Project Development Guidance**

The Pedestrian and Bicycle Information Center is hosting a webinar on Bicycle and Pedestrian Planning, Program, and Project Development Guidance, presented by FHWA staff. The purpose of the webinar is to provide background information and guidance on Federal legislation, policies, and reference materials related to bicycle, pedestrian, and shared micromobility programs and projects. The guidance describes the range of opportunities to improve conditions for bicycling, walking, and shared micromobility, consistent with the USDOT goals for a safe, accessible, comfortable, equitable, and integrated multimodal transportation network infrastructure that serves all ages and abilities. The webinar will take place on **July 13** at 1:30 - 3:00 p.m. CT. [Register here](#).

## **IDOT Phase 1 Course**

IDOT's Illinois Technology Transfer Center is hosting two IDOT Phase I trainings. The course will cover developing a transportation project's purpose and need, roles and responsibilities of local, state, and federal agencies, environmental studies conducted through the Environmental Survey Request process, and more. Register [here](#).

### **Training Option 1**

- Date: Thursday, August 10th
- Time: 8:30am-4:30pm (lunch 12-1)
- Location: 201 Schaumburg Court, Schaumburg, IL 60193 in the Lecture Hall

### **Training Option 2**

- Date: Thursday, August 31st
- Time: 8:30am-4:30pm (lunch 12-1)
- Location: 2300 South Dirksen Parkway, Springfield, IL 62704 in the IDOT Hanley Auditorium

## **Climate Resilience Training Courses**

The FHWA's National Highway Institute (NHI) is now offering five new Environmental courses addressing climate change through adaptation and resilience. The target audiences for the courses are primarily transportation personnel who work in engineering, design, and project development/NEPA units in transportation agencies (mainly State DOTs). The courses will also be relevant to those interested in planning, asset management, operations, and maintenance. Expected participants include experienced staff from State DOTs, local governments, Tribal governments, Federal State agencies, and consultants.

- [Understanding Past, Current and Future Climate Conditions](#)
- [Introduction to Temperature and Precipitation Projections](#)
- [Systems Level Vulnerability Assessments](#)
- [Adaptation Analysis for Project Decision Making](#)
- [Addressing Climate Resilience in Highway Project Development and Preliminary Design \(NHI 142085\)](#)

## **Transportation Planning Video Learning Series**

Two videos now available on FHWA's [Transportation Planning Capacity Building Website](#) under [Connect & Learn](#). This video learning series is designed to exchange information on planning tools, share common experiences and noteworthy practices across the planning discipline, and establish a common knowledge base for all planners.

- [Federal Transportation Planning Process](#): This video explains the typical transportation planning process (based on the US DOT [Transportation Planning Process Briefing Book](#)), and provides an introduction to the transportation planning process conducted by public agencies.
- [Federal Transportation Planning Funds](#): This video explains the process to ensure that federal funding is being used to plan a safe and efficient transportation system according to laws and regulations and help State DOTs and sub-recipients manage the funding efficiently and effectively and in compliance with federal requirements.

## **National Highway Institute (NHI) Introduction to NEPA and Transportation Decision-making**

The NHI has revised the [Introduction to the National Environmental Policy Act \(NEPA\) and Transportation Decision Making](#) course. This web-based, self-paced training describes Federal Highway Administration's (FHWA's) approach to the NEPA transportation decision-making process. This training

covers NEPA regulations, policies and guidance defined by the Council on Environmental Quality and FHWA.

### **Integrating Transportation and Land Use**

The [Integrating Transportation and Land Use](#) web-based training (WBT) course is designed to help practitioners plan multimodal transportation systems that supports community development goals and shape land use patterns that support transportation system performance goals. Course lessons include determining the interplay between transportation systems and land use development patterns, the processes and principles that influence integrated transportation and land use planning, and strategies for applying integrated land use and transportation principles to different types and scales of planning and decision-making processes. Target audience includes Mid-level State DOT employees, City and County engineers and planners, MPO staff, transit operators, Federal employees (FHWA, FTA, EPA), resource agency staff, consultants, elected officials, regulatory agency staff, local zoning officials, site designers, citizen activists, developers, media representatives and business leaders.

### **Every Day Counts (EDC) Virtual Summit**

The EDC-7 summit was conducted virtually and included 2,000 attendees from State DOTs, local agencies, federal land management agencies, tribes and industry. The seven initiatives feature strategies to improve safety for all users, build sustainable infrastructure for the future, and grow an inclusive workforce. The presentations, fact sheets, videos, virtual booths, and pdfs of homegrown innovations developed by the National State Transportation Innovation Council (STIC) Network are available on-demand to all registered participants **through February 2024**. Register for the on-demand summit [here](#).

## **Federally-Funded Project Implementation and Active Program Management Reminders – July 2023**

### **7/31/2023**

Final agreements due for projects targeting the September state letting

### **7/31/2023**

If needed, final ROW agreements due for projects targeting the September state letting

### **Other recommended actions**

Sponsors of STP-L or STP-Shared Fund projects with phases programmed in FFY 2023 that are not yet obligated and are eligible for an obligation deadline extension (see [APM policies](#), Section VI. B.) must submit requests by the end of July. Submittal procedures may vary by council – please contact your Planning Liaison for assistance.

Sponsors of projects with Phase 1 or Phase 2 Engineering programmed in FFY 2024 should consider beginning the Qualifications Based Selection (QBS) process for those project phases so that funding agreements can be submitted to IDOT as soon as possible to help ensure that federal funds are obligated within the programmed FFY.

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This information is compiled from these official sources:

- IDOT Bureau of Local Roads and Streets Region One Letting Schedule (latest version available from IDOT District 1 BLRS staff)
- CMAP's TIP Due Dates and Master Transportation Schedule (latest version posted [here](#))
- [STP Active Program Management Policies](#)
- CMAP's call for projects [web page](#) (Refreshed prior to each call)
- CMAP's [CMAQ and TAP-L Program Management and Resources web page](#)

***If there are any discrepancies in dates, the dates listed on the official sources above should be used. Consult with your planning liaison to resolve any questions or concerns.***

\*7/10/2023

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1	ARLINGTON HTS 220021700RS	FAU2633 - Wilke Rd S of US 14 to IL 62 RESURFACING	4,988,610	03-20-0035 E1: / / / / E2: / / / / RW: / / / / C: FFY23 / STPL / 4,988,610 / 2,398,000 /	CE 1 8 /19/2022	NR		No		9/22/2023	AH CR CBBEL	NR	* NR * * * * * * * * * *
3193													
2	BARRINGTON 110008700GS	FAP0305 - US14 IL 59 to E Valencia Ave GRADE SEPARATION	43,000,000	03-14-0010 E1: / / / / E2: / / / / RW: / / / / C: FFY24 / STPL / 43,000,000 / 34,000,000 / / ILL / 4,500,000 /	CE 2 8 /29/2014	NR		Yes	A 8 /29/2014	1/1/2024	AH CR Civiltech	A No	* NR * * * * * * * * * *
3202													
3	BARRINGTON 110008701PV	MS1000 - Lake Zurich Rd Citizen's Park Dr to US Route 14 RECONSTRUCTION/BIKEPATH INTERSECTION IMPRVMT/TS	3,487,000	03-14-0010 E1: / / / / E2: FFY16 / STPL / 371,926 / 185,963 / A / ILL / 92,982 / / A RW: FFY17 / STPL / 1,826,000 / 913,000 / A / ILL / 456,500 / / C: MYB / STPL / 3,487,000 / 2,789,600 / / ILL / 348,700 / /				Yes		1/1/2050	AH CR Civiltech		* * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *
2538													
4	ELK GROVE VILL 190007000BR	MS - Willngtn/Leicstr Lake Cosman CULVERT REPLACEMENT	220,000	03-19-0007 E1: FFY20 / BRPP / 160,000 / 128,000 / / / / / 0 / E2: FFY21 / BRP2 / 150,000 / 120,000 / / / / / RW: / / / / / / / / C: FFY22 / BRP / 220,000 / 1,760,000 / / / / /	CE 1 9 /27/2021	NR		Yes		3/8/2024	AH CR B & W	NR Yes	* NR * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *
2951													

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5 HOFFMAN ESTATES 190010600RS  3203	FAU3725 - Beverly Rd Prairie Stone Pkwy to Beacon Pointe Dr RESURFACING BIKEWAYS	2,167,000	03-22-0001 E1: / / / / E2: / / / / RW: / / / / C: FFY24 / STPL / 2,167,000 / 1,625,250 /	CE 1 10/19/2021	NR		Yes		11/17/2023	AH CR Civiltech	NR	* NR * * * * * * * * *
6 NILES 130011800WR  3074	FAP0341 - Touhy Ave Gross Point Rd  INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENT	3,177,016	03-09-0072 E1: / / / / E2: FFY21 / STPL / 224,000 / 112,000 / / SO / 100,974 / RW: FFY21 / LAO / 553,000 / C: FFY22 / STPL / 3,177,016 / 2,500,000 / / SO / 563,559 /	CE 2 3 /20/2020	NR		Yes A 11/9 /2022 3 /20/2020		3/10/2023 3,923,898	AH CR H. R. Gree	NR	* NR * * * * * * * * *
7 NILES 180013100SW  3194	Var - Various See Notes  SIDEWALKS INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENT	4,383,445	03-19-0040 E1: / / / / E2: / / / / RW: / / / / C: FFY23 / HSIP / 1,040,000 / 909,000 / / CMAQ / 862,945 / 636,577 / / STE / 2,480,500 / 1,984,400 /	CE 1 12/10/2020	NR		Yes		11/17/2023	AH CR HR Green	NR	* NR * * * * * * * * *
8 PALATINE 170010200PV  2885	FAU1285 - Palatine Rd Quentin Rd to Smith Rd RECONSTRUCTION ADDITIONAL LANES/BIKEWAY	10,304,500	03-16-0008 E1: FFY18 / STPL / 380,000 / 190,000 / A E2: FFY23 / STPL / 958,000 / 479,000 / / / / / RW: FFY24 / STPL / 506,000 / 253,000 / C: FFY26 / STPL / 10,304,500 / 2,874,500 / / / 6,711,375 /	CE 2 3 /17/2022	NR		Yes A 3 /17/2022		1/16/2026	AH CR BLA	NR	* NR * * * * * * * * *

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9 PROSPECT HEIGHT 190005400SW	- Wolf Road  SIDEWALKS								9/22/2023	MS CR		* * * * * * * * * * *
3170												REMARKS: 9/22/23 or 11/17/23 per LPA - ROW (6/7/23).
10 ROLLING MEADOWS 090009800CH	- Algonquin Road at New Wilke Road  INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENT MODERNIZE TRAFFIC SIGNALS	2,700,000	03-06-0006		CE 2	E	Yes		1/1/2024	AH CR CBBEL		Exempt * * * * * * * * * * *
1390					9/27/2021	PM						REMARKS:
11 ROLLING MEADOWS 190012300BT	various - Euclid/Hicks W of Vermont to Hicks to Euclid to N of Kirchoff BIKEWAYS	982,200	03-22-0002		CE 1	NR	Yes		1/19/2024	AH CR	NR	* * * * * * * * * * *
3182					9/10/2021							REMARKS:
12 SCHAUMBURG 180013100PV	FAP0559 - Knollwood Dr Bode Rd to Golf Rd RECONSTRUCTION	3,821,250	03-19-0035		CE 1	NR	No		7/31/2026	AH CR Thomas	NR	* * * * * * * * * * *
2911					10/12/2018							REMARKS: PE2 kick-off meeting held 10-25-18. Currently unfunded in NW CoM MYB (1-9-20).



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13 SCHAUMBURG 180013200PV	- Rodenburg Rd Irving Park Rd to Central Av RECONSTRUCTION RR CROSSING	3,760,000	03-20-0048 E1: / / / / E2: / / / / RW: / / / / C: FFY23 / STPL / 3,760,000 / 2,832,000 /	CE 2 4 /17/2019			Yes		6/16/2023 5,220,905	AH CR Civiltech	E No	* * * * * * * * * *
3072							REMARKS: Combined STP-L project with Roselle (DMMC). Item No. 224. R. W. Dunteman Company.					
14 STREAMWOOD 210006700BR	Off - Ped Bridge IL 59 PEDESTRIAN OVERPASS	5,900,000	03-21-0003 E1: / / / / E2: FFY22 / STE2 / 479,000 / 184,000 / RW: / / / / C: FFY23 / STE / 5,900,000 / 1,816,000 /	CE 1 4 /27/2022	NR		No		8/4/2023	AH CR Transyste	NR No	* * * * * * * * * *
3185							REMARKS: Item No. 8.					
15 WHEELING 210009100RS	MS1001 - Northgate Pkwy Lake Cook Rd to Dundee Rd (IL68) RESURFACING	1,078,000	03-22-0025 E1: / / / / E2: / / / / RW: / / / / C: FFY23 / STPL / 1,078,000 / 808,500 /	CE 1	NR		No		6/16/2023 782,668	AH CR Chaistain	NR No	* * * * * * * * * *
3180							REMARKS: Item No. 6. Builders Paving, LLC.					

## Illinois Tollway June News

### 2023 Summer Safety

The Illinois Tollway and Illinois State Police Troop 15 are working to keep children safe every trip, every time by hosting free Kids' Identification and Safety Seat (K.I.S.S.) events in 2023 to inspect and correctly install child safety seats and provide free kids' ID cards. This year, six events are planned across the Chicago area. For more information about K.I.S.S. events and to see additional activities at each event, visit the [Troop 15 section](#) on the Illinois Tollway's website [www.illinoistollway.com](http://www.illinoistollway.com). Events are on Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

- July 8 - Fox Valley Park District Police Department
- July 15 - Bartlett Police Department
- August 26 - Children's Museum of Oak Lawn
- September 23 - Lambs Farm in Libertyville
- September 26 - Tinley Park Police Department

### I-PASS Assist Program

More income-eligible drivers are receiving the cost-saving benefits of I-PASS after signing up for I-PASS Assist Accounts that also offer few up-front costs. We've put together a tool kit [I-PASS Assist Communications Toolkit - Illinois Tollway](#) if you'd like to promote this program to your residents.

Working through a partnership with the Illinois Department of Revenue and now the Illinois Department of Human services, the Tollway is able to verify the eligibility of households for I-PASS Assist using a secure web form that requires minimal information to determine if household incomes fall below the required threshold, which is based on 250 percent of Federal Poverty Guidelines or if households are currently participating in SNAP or TANF. I-PASS Assist offers eligible drivers all the benefits of I-PASS, including the standard 50 percent discount on tolls, as well as additional benefits, including waiving the transponder deposit fee and allowing drivers to open an account with as little as \$4 in prepaid tolls. In addition, participants may have fees accrued from unpaid tolls dismissed—and avoid future fees for missed tolls. Go to <https://www.illinoistollway.com/assist> to access the application.

### The Official Illinois Tollway App

A quick, money-saving way for drivers to pay their tolls and avoid any fees or fines now is as close as their smartphone. It's the [Official Illinois Tollway App](#), which lets drivers use their phones or mobile devices to easily update or manage their I-PASS accounts, including adding or purchasing transponders, adding or changing payment methods and managing rental vehicle or new vehicles. Drivers who don't have I-PASS can use the app to create a Pay By Plate account that automatically pays their tolls. Because safety is priceless, drivers can use the app to call for roadside assistance with the press of a button for help with roadway emergencies so they can safely complete their trips. With the app, paying tolls and saving money is as easy as driving on the Illinois Tollway.

## Notice of Violation for Unpaid Tolls

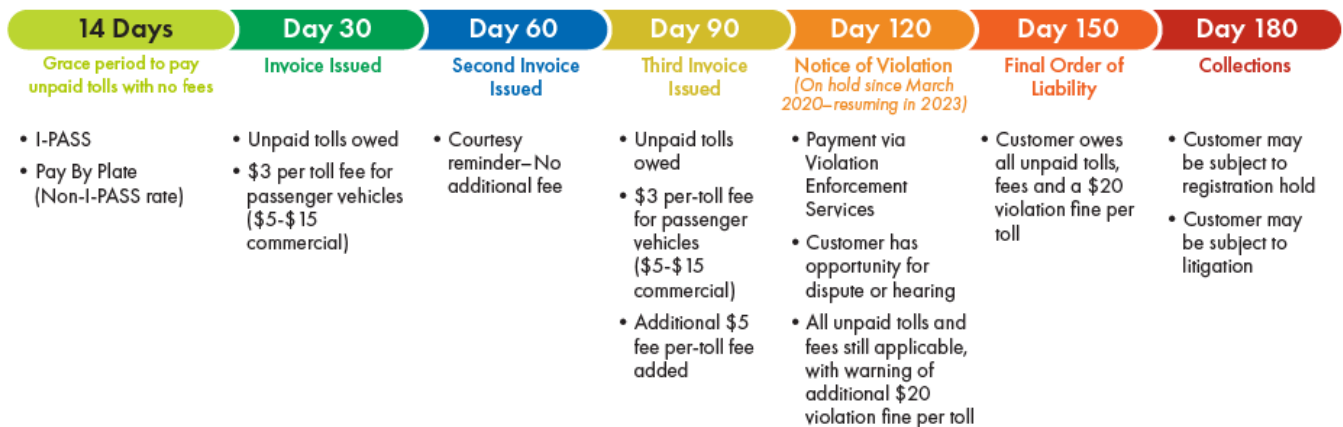
Starting in April, customers who have received multiple invoices and reminders for the same unpaid tolls will receive a notice of violation that, if ignored, will result in a \$20 fine assessed on each unpaid toll. These fines will be in addition to any previously assessed invoice fees.

Customers can go to <https://www.illinoistollway.com/ves> and search by license plate or invoice to identify unpaid tolls.

As the Tollway begins reinstating violation notices, customers with outstanding initial toll invoices issued between June 1, 2020, and September 30, 2022, will have a six-month hold placed on notices and will be eligible for a discount of up to 50 percent off fees on paid invoices. In addition, income-eligible customers who qualify for I-PASS Assist and also establish an I-PASS account may have their fees dismissed.

Customers with outstanding initial toll invoices issued on or after October 1, 2022, will be issued a Notice of Violation, which may result in an additional \$20 fine per toll. However, customers will have an opportunity to dispute violations including via a hearing.

Since unpaid toll invoicing began in 2020 along with the agency’s transition to cashless tolling, the Illinois Tollway estimates that more than 6 million invoices have gone unpaid, with a troubling trend of repeat non-compliance in a growing number of customers. This includes more than \$110 million in unpaid tolls over the past three years.



If you have any questions, please contact Kelsey Passi at [kpassi@getipass.com](mailto:kpassi@getipass.com)

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## Cook County Report for NW Council July 2023

Municipality	Project	Location	Type	Phase	Remarks
Des Plaines	IIC 2019 - OAKTON STREET SIDEPATH	Des Plaines River Rd to Des Plaines River Trl	Bike/Ped	Phase I	Final stage
Palatine, Deer Park	QUENTIN RD	Dundee Rd to Lake Cook Rd	Pavement	Phase I	Scope review
Buffalo Grove	BUFFALO GROVE ROAD	Hintz Rd to St Marys Pkwy	Pavement	Phase I	Design review
Northbrook, Glenview, Elk Grove, Bartlett, Elgin	PRP NORTH 2022	Various locations	Pavement	Phase I	Pending update
Palatine, Northbrook, Hoffman Estates, Glenview, Northfield, Prospect heights, Wheeling	PRP NORTH 2023	Various locations	Pavement	Phase I	In progress
Village of Elk Grove	MEACHAM AVENUE	over Salt Creek	Structures	Phase I	Public Meeting 6/28/23
Mount Prospect	IIC 2020 - BIKE/PED BRIDGE	over Northwest Highway and UP Railroad	Structures	Phase I	In progress
Hoffman Estates	IIC 2018 - BEVERLY RD	over I-90	Bike/Ped	Phase I	In progress
Rolling Meadows and Arlington Hts	IIC 2020 - ALGONQUIN RD	at New Wilke Road	Traffic Control	Phase I/II	No update received
Rosemont	IIC 2017 - DES PLAINES RIVER TRL	Touhy Ave to North Ave	Bike/Ped	Phase II	In progress
Streamwood	IIC 2020 - IL RT 59 BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN OVERPASS	Hummingbird Lane to Madison Ave	Structures	Phase II	In progress
Morton Grove	IIC 2018 -SIDEWALK OAKTON/CALDWELL	Oakton St and Caldwell Ave	Bike/Ped	Phase II	Pending update
Schaumburg	ROSELLE RD	at Hartford Dr (2019 HSIP)	Traffic Control	Phase II	Pending NTP
Palatine	LAKE COOK RD AT OLD HICKS RD	at Old Hicks Rd	Traffic Control	Phase II	In process
Northfield	HAPP RD	Winnetka Rd to Willow Rd	Pavement	Phase II	Pending update
Streamwood	IL RT 19	East of IL Rt 59 to Bartlett Rd	Pavement	Phase II	Pending update
Wheeling	HINTZ RD	over Wheeling drainage ditch	Structures	Phase II	In progress with work order
Des Plaines	IIC 2019 - DES PLAINES RIVER TRL	at Union Pacific RR	Bike/Ped	Phase II	In process
Hoffman Estates	SHOE FACTORY RD	Essex Dr to Beverly Rd	Pavement	Phase II	Design review
Buffalo Grove	LAKE COOK ROAD	Arlington Heights Road to Raupp Boulevard	Pavement	Phase II	In progress
Mount Prospect, Arlington Heights	BUSSE ROAD	Golf Rd to Central Rd	Pavement	Phase II	No update received
Hoffman Estates	IIC 2020 - BEVERLY ROAD	Prairie Stone Pkwy(N) to Beacon Pointe Dr(S)	Bike/Ped	Phase II	No update received
Barrington, Hoffman Estates	CENTRAL RD	Barrington Rd to Huntington Blvd	Pavement	Phase II	No update received
Village of Elk Grove Village	ARLINGTON HEIGHTS RD	Turner Ave to Brantwood Ave	Pavement	Phase II	Pending update
Chicago, Elk Grove, Des Plaines, & Unincorporated Chicago	TOUHY AVE	Elmhurst Rd to Mt Prospect Rd	Pavement	Phase II	Pending update
Prospect Heights	WILLOW ROAD	over Hillcrest Lake	Drainage	Phase II	Pending update
Roselle	NERGE RD	at Plum Grove Rd (2018 HSIP)	Traffic Control	Phase II	In progress
Arlington Heights, Schaumburg, Palatine, Elk Grove, and Roselle	PPRP NORTH 2021	Various locations	Pavement	Phase III	Ongoing
Elk Grove Village	IIC 2019 - BIESTERFIELD RD	Meacham Rd to Michigan Ln	Bike/Ped	Phase III	Pending status
Schaumburg	IIC 2020 - MIDBLOCK PEDESTRIAN CROSSING	Various locations	Bike/Ped	Phase III	Pending status
Arlington Heights	IIC 2019 - LAKE COOK RD	at Wilke Rd	Bike/Ped	Phase III	Pending selection

## Northwest Municipal Conference July 2023

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### Pace Celebrates the Launch of New Pace Connect Service

Late-Night Service Connects Transit Centers to Airport's Cargo Area Businesses and Chicago's South Suburbs



Pace and local officials celebrated the launch of [Pace Connect](#), a new transit service designed to provide a “first and last mile” transit option during late night hours in two designated zones. The service, which is funded in part thanks to grants received from RTA and Cook County, provides crucial transportation connections geared towards third shift workers.

Pace Connect is a shared ride service where a rider can book a trip through the new [Pace Connect app](#) (available in App Store and Google Play), or through a call center for those who do not have access to a smartphone, at a moment's notice to easily connect with nearby transit stations, or in some cases, be dropped off at their home.

The app, which is powered by Via, uses algorithms to match riders headed in the same direction into one vehicle – maximizing the service's efficiency and affordability. Rides cost \$2 each (or less if the rider pays by Ventra and transfers from a fixed route

service), and riders can pay by credit card through the Pace Connect app or by using in-vehicle Ventra Card readers.

“We’re excited to unveil yet another innovation today,” said Pace Executive Director Melinda Metzger. “This addition to Pace’s family of services provides a new option for third-shift workers, enhancing job access for underserved communities. It is important that Pace continues to explore innovative approaches to providing service as northeastern Illinois’s transit system faces a fiscal cliff in the coming years.”

Pace Chairman Rick Kwasneski focused on Pace’s spirit of partnership embodied by this new service. “This is yet another example of Pace working with our peers at RTA and Cook County to enhance and integrate service in the south suburbs,” he said. “Riders can now utilize Pace, CTA, and Metra service at all hours and still have a way to get from our transportation center to work or to home.”

Other officials attending the event included Congresswoman Robin Kelly, Harvey Mayor Christopher J Clark, RTA Board Member Elizabeth Doody Gorman, Cook County Department of Transportation and Highways (DoTH) Superintendent Jennifer “Sis” Killen, Pace Director Terry R. Wells, and Pace Director David Guerin.

### **How to ride with Pace Connect**

- **Harvey Area Zone:** Riders can book a Pace Connect ride to travel between Pace’s Harvey Transportation Center and any address in a defined zone surrounding the facility, presenting a new way to connect with Pace Route 352 and the Metra Electric District. Employer sites within this zone include (but are not limited to) University of Chicago Ingalls Memorial Hospital, South Suburban College, and the Amazon warehouse in Markham.
  - Tuesday--Friday 12 a.m. – 5 a.m.
  - Saturday 11 p.m. – Sunday 6 a.m.
  - Sunday 11 p.m. – Monday 5 a.m.
- **O’Hare Businesses Zone:** Riders can book a Pace Connect ride to travel between select employers at the O’Hare Airport cargo area and the Rosemont CTA Blue Line Station, where they can connect with the CTA’s “L” rapid transit service. Employer sites within this zone include (but are not limited to) airline and mail cargo areas, airport hotels, and airport catering sites.
  - Every day, 11:30 p.m. to 5:30 a.m., including holidays.

For more information about Pace Connect, please visit [PaceBus.com/Connect](https://PaceBus.com/Connect).

## Upcoming College "Pre-Hire" and "Hire on the Spot" Events

- July 17, 2023 6 PM - 9 PM Prairie State College
- Aug. 9, 2023 6 PM - 9 PM **Harper College**
- Aug. 16, 2023 6 PM - 9 PM Elgin College
- Sept. 7, 2023 4 PM - 7 PM College of Lake County
- Sept. 27, 2023 6 PM - 9 PM **Harper College**
- Oct. 12, 2023 4 PM - 7 PM College of Lake County

- **Every Thursday**

Every Thursday, candidates can come to [Pace headquarters](#) (550 W. Algonquin Road, Arlington Heights) at either 9:30am or 1pm to apply for Bus Operator positions at Pace Northwest Division. Candidates are interviewed, take a 90-minute Customer Service Assessment test, and can get hired immediately for open positions. Pre-registration is not necessary.

## Pulse Dempster Line

Pace to launch Sunday service on the Pulse Dempster Line and open substantially completed Pulse stations to the public on August 13, 2023. Some stations will continue to be under construction with riders using temporary nearby boarding locations. Please visit [PaceBus.com](#) for the most up-to-date information.





Cook and DuPage Counties

# Northwest Transportation Center

Increasing ADA accessibility,  
expanding service with new facility

Pace is using *Rebuild Illinois* funding to invest in transit infrastructure in the northwest suburbs. The Northwest Transportation Center Project includes the demolition of the former Schaumburg Post Office and the renovation of the existing facility, which will improve ADA accessibility and expand capacity at this major transit center along the I-90 corridor that also includes Illinois Tollway Flex Lanes.

The new and fully accessible ADA Paratransit Service transfer facility will offer a comfortable, indoor waiting area with passenger and operator restrooms. The transit center will include an expanded drop-off area and new Pace branded signs with real-time bus departure information. New sidewalks will provide pedestrian access from Mall Drive and Kimberly Drive to the bus terminal, and parking capacity will increase from 192 spaces (6 ADA) to 301 spaces (8 ADA) to support the popular I-90 Express services. Other improvements include landscaping and site furnishings, bench seating, Ventra ticketing, and digital and audio bus arrival information.

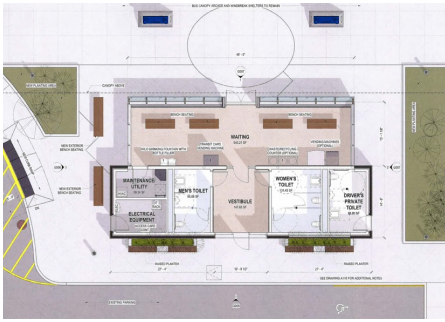
## WITH SUPPORT FROM

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## PROJECT MILESTONES

- **Q4 2022**  
Construction contract awarded
- **Q1 2023**  
Preparing to break ground  
*Scheduling & permitting work (ongoing)*
- **Q3 2023**  
Getting to work  
*Demolition & construction begins*
- **2024**  
Anticipated completion of project





Aerial view



Exterior view



Passenger waiting area

## IMPACTS



**New ADA Paratransit transfer facility and additional parking**



**Electric car charging** to meet riders' transit needs



**A canopy shelter and passenger restrooms** are new amenities for waiting riders



**Bus entrance relocation** will support timely service

## PROJECT FUNDING

**Rebuild Illinois - \$8.2M**

*Includes DBE participation and Project Contractors DBE Goal: 12%*

Company	Service	DBE participation credit
John Burns Construction	Project lead	12.22% (12.0% race-conscious and 0.22% race-neutral)
Araza Corporation	Portland cement concrete (PCC) paving	5.50%
Altra Division 5, LLC	Structural and miscellaneous steel	3.63%
Cardinal State, LLC	Landscaping services	2.58%
Q.C. Enterprises, Inc.	Furnish and install ceramic tile	0.51%



**Flex Lanes** are part of the Illinois Tollway's Jane Addams Memorial Tollway (I-90) SmartRoad system. Pace I-90 Express buses can use these lanes, located left-side shoulders of the road, when traffic congestion slows speeds. This helps buses bypass congestions and provides more reliable transit service for Pace passengers.

*This Pace infrastructure improvement project is designed to meet the mobility needs of the people of Northeastern Illinois now and into the future. Find more information at [pacebus.com/projects-studies](https://pacebus.com/projects-studies).*



Firms interested in bidding on Pace's future capital projects should visit [pacebus.com/isupplier-portal](https://pacebus.com/isupplier-portal) and register as a prospective supplier.



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## Memorandum

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## July 2023 Update

### **Section 5310 Recommended Program Open for Public Comment**

RTA has released a [recommended Program of Projects](#) for the Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Program. Section 5310 is a federal program that aims to improve mobility for seniors and individuals with disabilities by removing barriers to transportation service and expanding transportation mobility options. Public comments on these projects may be submitted from July 10 to August 9 through the [online comment form](#). This recommended Program of Projects will be presented to the RTA Board for consideration on September 14, 2023.

### ***Transit is the Answer in Action***

RTA staff continues to communicate to local, state, and federal leaders about the strategic plan and the importance of transit to the region. On June 15, Chairman Dillard spoke about *Transit is the Answer* in a conversation moderated by WGN's Ben Bradley at the Lincoln Forum held in partnership with the Union League Club of Chicago.

### ***Local Planning 2022 Implementation Report Released***

Every year, the RTA's Local Planning department assists local governments throughout northeastern Illinois on projects that strengthen the region's transit system through two programs: [Community Planning](#) and [Access to Transit](#). The RTA recently published its [2022 Local Planning Implementation Story Map](#), an interactive report of 21 RTA-supported projects around the region that are starting soon, in progress, or recently completed. Overall, the projects included in the implementation report show progress toward the goals of *Transit is the Answer*, and the principle of "Commitment to Change." Moving forward, the RTA will continue to assist communities throughout the region to tackle immediate and emerging planning issues related to transit.

### *Mayor Johnson Transition Report*

Many of the priorities outlined in *Transit is the Answer* were incorporated into Mayor Brandon Johnson's [transition report](#), which was released on July 6. The goals were agreed upon by a diverse team of experts and advocates, including Chairman Dillard, who served as co-chair of the Transportation Subcommittee. The report's goals aim to improve the transit system by stabilizing CTA service delivery and reliability, increase equitable access to existing transportation, grow investments in equitable transportation, and prioritize infrastructure that reinforces safe movement.

### *Semi-Annual Project Management Oversight Report Released*

*Transit is the Answer* highlights the need for an annual investment of \$3.5 billion over the next 10 years to address chronic disinvestment, to achieve a state of good repair, to make improvements to the sustainability of transit, and to improve accessibility, reliability, and equity. Under its Project Management Oversight (PMO) program, the RTA ensures that the Service Boards are spending capital funds and managing their capital projects effectively and efficiently. The [latest PMO report](#) was released June 23 and details 109 projects which show a capital investment of over \$7.6 billion into the RTA region's transit system.

### *Transportation Tuesday Wrap-Up*

The final webinar of the RTA's Transportation Tuesday series was held on June 27, focusing on how the RTA works with the Service Boards to advance a regional capital strategy. Recordings and recaps of each webinar from this year's series, which was focused on implementation of *Transit is the Answer*, are available on the [RTA Connections Blog](#).

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**Memorandum**

**TO:** Northwest Council of Mayors Technical Committee

**FROM:** Eric Czarnota, Northwest Council of Mayors Planning Liaison

**RE:** Northwest Council of Mayors STP Program Updates

**DATE:** July 21, 2023

The following table summarizes updates to the Council's program since the April 28 Technical Committee Meeting. Updates are generally only included for projects with at least one phase in the current year in the eTIP database.

<b>Project</b>	<b>Target Letting and Status</b>
Barrington – US 14 at CN Railroad Grade Separation Current FY: 2023 (CON: \$46,931,788/\$2,405,493) Scope: Grade Separation	<b>Target Letting:</b> January 2024  <b>Status:</b> Pre final plans and ROW will be certified in August 2023. Final agreements will be due November 27 and Federal Authorization request by December 1.
Arlington Heights – Wilke Rd from Northwest Hwy to Algonquin Rd Current FY: 2023 (CON: \$4,535,100/\$2,398,000) Scope: Resurfacing & new shared use path	<b>Target Letting:</b> September 2023  <b>Status:</b> Letting moved up to September 2023 from November 2023

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TO: Northwest Council of Mayors Technical Committee

FROM: Eric Czarnota, Northwest Council of Mayors Planning Liaison

RE: Northwest Council of Mayors STP Cost Increase Request Status

DATE: July 21, 2023

The following summarizes the cost increase requests received by the Northwest Council of Mayors and status updates of each request.

<b>Project</b>	<b>Request</b>
Schaumburg - Hammond & Algonquin (IL Route 62) intersection improvement project	Returning <b>\$800,000</b> to Council Budget.
Schaumburg – National Parkway from Golf Road to American Lane	Requested <b>\$476,217</b> increase for the total project. Currently the project has \$3,042,769 funded and would like to get to \$3,500,000 the maximum allotment for roadway improvements. However, the project is <b>ineligible</b> for cost increase at this time as the project was already Let and cannot request a 6 – month extension to obligate these funds in FFY 23. Project would be eligible to request an increase in FFY24.
Arlington Heights – Wilke Road Resurfacing & Multi-Use Path	Requested <b>\$1,102,000</b> increase for Phase 3 CON/CE. This increase will bring their total to \$3,500,000 which is below the 75% maximum allowable Federal funding level. Additionally, this project also received \$629,503 in CMAQ funding from CMAP Call for Projects. However, if the project is included in the September Letting it will be <b>ineligible</b> to receive CMAQ funds.
Elk Grove – Busse Road-Devon Avenue Intersection Resurfacing	Requested <b>\$511,116</b> to bring the total Federal funding to the maximum STP participation amount of \$941,841 equal to 75% federal funding level. <b>Eligible</b> for a 6 –month extension. If current authorization hasn't been converted from AC to ACC before 9/30/23 the 6 – month extension would be revoked and the council would have to identify a project(s) in FFY 2024 to use redistribution in order to maintain constraint.
Palatine – Illinois Ave from Plum Grove to Quentin	Requesting <b>\$1,072,500</b> to move project from Contingency to Active Program. Project is willing to take partial funding. Project is <b>eligible</b> to receive a 6 – month extension. Will be targeting the November 2023 Letting. Additionally, project sponsor is open to discussing returning funds on another Palatine project in the active plan to support this increase. (Palatine Road ROW from Quentin Road to Smith Street, <b>\$253,000</b> ).

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# VILLAGE OF SCHAUMBURG

PROGRESS THROUGH THOUGHTFUL PLANNING

May 26, 2023

Mr. Eric Czarnota  
Program Associate for Transportation  
Northwest Municipal Conference  
1600 E. Golf Road, Suite 0700  
Des Plaines, IL 60016

RE: Hammond Drive & Algonquin Road Intersection Improvements  
TIP ID#: 03-20-0044

Dear Mr. Czarnota:

Please accept this letter as the Village's formal notification that the Surface Transportation Program funds allocated as part of the above-referenced project will not be utilized. The Village has elected to move forward with the project with 100% Village funds.

The approved \$800,000 allocation for this project is programmed for Federal Fiscal Year 2023 and the Village understands these monies will be returned to the Northwest Council of Mayors, followed by a solicitation for increased funding of eligible projects. The Village would like to request additional funding for the National Parkway (Golf Road to American Lane) project, with the understanding that some, all, or none of the funding may be allocated toward the project.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact John Welch, Engineering Division Manager at 847-923-6618, or via email at [jwelch@schaumburg.com](mailto:jwelch@schaumburg.com).

Sincerely,

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Mike Hall, PE,  
Director of Engineering and Public Works  
Village of Schaumburg

C: Brian Townsend, Village Manager

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# VILLAGE OF SCHAUMBURG

PROGRESS THROUGH THOUGHTFUL PLANNING

July 19, 2023

Mr. Eric Czarnota  
Program Associate for Transportation  
Northwest Municipal Conference  
1600 E. Golf Road, Suite 0700  
Des Plaines, IL 60016

RE: National Parkway from Golf Road to American Lane  
TIP ID#: 03-19-0006 (03-21-0008)

Dear Mr. Czarnota:

The Village of Schaumburg is requesting consideration for an increase in federal funding for the National Parkway from Golf Road to American Lane reconstruction project.

This project was let by District 1 on January 20, 2023, and is currently underway. The overall low bid was \$8,749,122, split between \$3,042,769 for utility improvements (ineligible items) and \$5,706,353 for roadway improvements. The Village has been approved for \$3,023,783 in funding for the roadway improvements, amounting to approximately 53% of the roadway improvement costs. The Village has previously requested and would like to reiterate its request (May 26, 2023 letter) for additional funding in the amount of \$476,217 to bring project funding to the maximum \$3,500,000 allotment for roadway improvements, resulting in approximately 61% of the roadway improvement costs.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact John Welch, Engineering Division Manager at 847-923-6618, or via email at [jwelch@schaumburg.com](mailto:jwelch@schaumburg.com).

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Mike Hall, PE,  
Director of Engineering and Public Works  
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C: Brian Townsend, Village Manager

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## Village of Arlington Heights

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November 23, 2022

Ms. Kendra Johnson  
Program Manager for Transportation  
Northwest Municipal Conference  
1616 East Golf Road  
Des Plaines, IL. 60016

RE: "Wilke Road Resurfacing & Multi-Use Path"  
Village of Arlington Heights  
TIP#: 03-20-0035

Dear Ms. Johnson:

The Village of Arlington Heights is requesting consideration for an increase in federal funding to the "Wilke Road Resurfacing & Multi-Use Path" project.

The Phase 3 CON/CE portion of this project is currently programmed in FFY2023. The original cost estimate of \$3,133,000 was prepared in early 2020. Phase 1 work has been completed and additional Phase 3 CON/CE costs have been identified as a result of project scoping, including the addition of landscaped medians along portions of the roadway, additional traffic signal work for pedestrian activity and other upgrades anticipated at two intersections with streets under the jurisdiction of Cook County, and additional sidewalk work to conform with ADA requirements.

The revised Phase 3 CON/CE cost is estimated at \$4,988,610. Currently, the total STP-L funding allocated in FFY2023 is \$2,398,000, all of which is allocated to Phase 3 CON/CE. The Village is requesting an increase in Federal participation in the amount of \$1,102,000 to bring the total Federal funding to the maximum STP participation amount of \$3,500,000, which would be below the 75% maximum allowable Federal funding level.

Thank you for your consideration. If you have any questions, please call me at (847) 368-5267.

Sincerely,

Michael L. Pagonis, PE  
Village Engineer

c: Cris Papierniak, PE, Director of Public Works & Engineering  
Aldair Vargas, PE, Civil Engineer II  
Gary Rozwadowski, PE, Christopher B. Burke Engineering, Ltd.



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July 12, 2023

Mr. Eric Czarnota  
Program Associate for Transportation  
Northwest Municipal Conference  
1616 East Golf Road  
Des Plaines, IL 60016

RE: "Busse Rd-Devon Ave Intersection Resurfacing"  
Village of Elk Grove Village  
TIP#: 03-20-0039

Dear Mr. Czarnota:

The Village of Elk Grove Village is requesting consideration for an increase in federal funding to the "Busse Rd-Devon Ave Intersection Resurfacing" project.

The Phase 3 CON portion of this project is currently programmed in FFY2023. The Phase II cost estimate of \$997,453 was prepared in early January 2023. The project was let on April 28, 2023 through IDOT District 1 Bureau of Local Roads and Streets. The low bid on the project came in at \$1,255,789.28. Several pay items in the low bid were \$25,000-\$50,000 over the Phase II cost estimate, causing a significant increase in the project cost. These items included stone matrix asphalt, concrete patching and variable depth milling. This sharp increase in bid prices seen across the industry has been difficult to estimate and budget for.

Currently, the total STP-L funding allocated in FFY2023 is \$430,725 (34% Federally funded), all of which is allocated to Phase 3 CON. The Village is requesting an increase in Federal participation in the amount of \$511,116, to bring the total Federal funding to the maximum STP participation amount of \$941,841, which would be equal to the 75% maximum allowable Federal funding level of the as-bid construction cost. Ultimately, the Village would graciously accept any increase in funding that is available.

Thank you for your consideration. If you have any questions, please call me at 847.734.8077.

Sincerely,

Ken Jay, P.E., C.F.M.  
Deputy Director of Public Works, Engineering & Administration

# VILLAGE OF PALATINE

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS  
148 West Illinois Avenue  
Palatine, Illinois 60067  
847 705-5200  
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July 18, 2023

Mr. Eric Czarnota  
Program Associate for Transportation  
Northwest Municipal Conference  
1600 East Golf Road, Suite 0700  
Des Plaines, IL 60016

Re: **Illinois Ave from Plum Grove to Quentin  
Request to Move to Active Program  
TIP No.: TBD  
\$1,072,500**

Dear Mr. Czarnota,

Illinois Avenue is now the top of the Contingency Program for 2024. The project is ready to advance as pre-final plans and specifications complete. There is no right of way required to accommodate the improvement. We would target the first available letting if funding can be made available in the active plan.

We would request the project be moved from the contingency program to the active program at the July Technical Committee Meeting.

We would accept partial funding if available. Our proposed request represents 65% of the anticipated project cost.

We are further open to discussing returning funds on another Palatine project in the active plan to support this adjustment. (Palatine Road ROW from Quentin Road to Smith Street, \$253,000).

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,  
VILLAGE OF PALATINE



Matthew D. Barry, P.E.  
Director of Public Works

Cc: President Karen Darch, Chair  
Reid Ottesen – Village of Palatine

Northwest Council of Mayors  
 FFY 2023-2027 STP-L Program  
 DRAFT for Approval on 7/21/23

Points	TIP ID	Project	Muni/Lead	Phase	NORTHWEST COUNCIL OF MAYORS FFY 2023-2027 PROGRAM					Target Letting/Auth.	COUNCIL MARKS/PAST YEAR OBLIGATIONS					
					Programmed:	2023	2024	2025	2026		2027	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
					Balance:	\$4,174	\$12,359,265	\$12,572,632	\$12,641,702		\$12,890,470	\$22,029,417	\$12,382,024	\$12,597,737	\$12,816,938	\$13,039,952
85.25	03-20-0032	Tonne Rd-Devon Ave Intersection Resurfacing	Village of Elk Grove Village	CON/CE*			\$745,147				Jan-25					
85	03-16-0015	Roselle Rd Bike Bridge & Intersection Improvements	Village of Schaumburg	CON/CE*	\$516,000						Mar-23	Draft amendments approved 9/23/22; Obligation deadline extended to 3/31/2023				
83.25	03-20-0035	Wilke Rd from Northwest Hwy to Algonquin Rd	Village of Arlington Heights	CON/CE*	\$2,398,000						Sep-23	Shifted ENG II funding to CON/CE				
81.5	03-22-0021	Euclid Ave from Rohlwing Rd to Rand Rd	Village of Arlington Heights	CON*			\$3,500,000				Jan-25					
79.5	03-22-0001	Beverly Rd from Prairie Stone Pkwy to Beacon Pointe Dr	Village of Hoffman Estates	CON/CE*		\$1,872,750					Nov-23					
79	03-22-0022	Elmhurst Rd from Greenleaf Ave to Pan Am Blvd	Village of Elk Grove Village	CON/CE*					\$2,226,000		Jun-27					
78.25	03-22-0023	North Ave from Oak Ave to US 20 Lake St	Village of Bartlett	CON/CE*		\$930,600					Mar-25					
75.25	03-20-0036	Arlington Heights Rd-Devon Ave Intersection Resurfacing	Village of Elk Grove Village	CON/CE*			\$917,985				Jan-25					
75.25	03-20-0037	Busse Rd-Landmeier Rd Intersection Resurfacing	Village of Elk Grove Village	CON/CE*		\$415,050					Jan-24					
73.5	03-20-0045	Jones/Hassell Rd and Salem Dr Resurfacing	Village of Hoffman Estates	CON/CE*		\$13,172					Jan-23	Amended agreements for additional funding approved 6/2/22				
71.75	03-20-0042	Weathersfield Way from Braintree Dr to Salem Dr	Village of Schaumburg	CON/CE*	\$52,296						Mar-23	Received obligation deadline extension to 3/31/2023; Draft amendment submitted 11/29/21				
71.44	03-22-0024	Oakton St from Arlington Heights Rd to Shadywood Ln	Village of Elk Grove Village	CON/CE*					\$1,776,570		Jan-27					
70.25	03-20-0039	Busse Rd-Devon Ave Intersection Resurfacing	Village of Elk Grove Village	CON*	\$430,725						Apr-23					
70.13	03-22-0025	Northgate Pkwy from Lake Cook Rd to IL 68 Dundee Rd	Village of Wheeling	CON/CE*	\$808,500						Jun-23	Phase II kickoff meeting held 12/29/22. Design approval received 1/3/23				
70	03-09-0072	Touhy Ave at Gross Point/Harts Rd Intersection Improvements	Village of Niles	CON/CE*	\$2,672,012						Mar-23	Includes \$2,625,427 CRRSA funding; funding authorized 1/20/23				
69.5	03-22-0026	Weathersfield Way from Barrington Rd to Springinguth Rd	Village of Schaumburg	CON/CE*					\$2,961,750		Nov-26					
67.94	03-22-0027	Walnut Ln from Bode Rd to Schaumburg Rd	Village of Schaumburg	CON/CE*				\$2,747,250			Nov-25	Originally requested funding for 2025				
67.5	03-14-0010	US 14 at CN Railroad Grade Separation	Village of Barrington	CON*	\$2,405,493						Sep-23	Requested \$3.5 million / 6 - month extension request				
67.5	03-20-0040	Tonne Rd from Landmeier Rd to Elk Grove Blvd	Village of Elk Grove Village	CON/CE*			\$3,500,000				Nov-24					
66.5	03-09-0073	IL 19 Irving Park Rd from Schaumburg Road to Bartlett Rd	Village Streamwood	ENG II	\$59,000						Mar-23	Received obligation deadline extension to 3/31/2023; Draft amendment submitted 7/27/22				
66.5	03-09-0073	IL 19 Irving Park Rd from Schaumburg Road to Bartlett Rd	Village Streamwood	CON/CE*	\$3,150,000						Sep-23					
66.19	03-22-0028	Schoenbeck Rd from Camp McDonald Rd to US 12 Rand Rd	Village of Mount Prospect	CON/CE*		\$297,000					Mar-25					
65.63	03-22-0029	Central Rd from Westgate Rd to Wolf Rd	Village of Mount Prospect	CON/CE*		\$564,465					Jan-24					
65	03-06-0006	IL 62 Algonquin Rd at New Wilke Rd	City of Rolling Meadows	ROW	\$35,000											
65	03-06-0006	IL 62 Algonquin Rd at New Wilke Rd	City of Rolling Meadows	CON/CE*		\$3,313,000					Jan-24					
64.88	03-22-0030	Shermer Rd from Dempster St to Waukegan Rd	Village of Niles	CON/CE*				\$1,981,952			Jul-26	Originally requested funding for 2024				
64.56	03-19-0029	Park Blvd from Schaumburg Rd to Irving Park Rd	Village of Streamwood	CON*	\$140,844						Jan-23	Final amended agreements approved 5/26/22. No AC notification to date				
64.56	03-19-0029	Park Blvd from Schaumburg Rd to Irving Park Rd	Village of Streamwood	CON*	\$70,939						Mar-23	Actively reprogrammed due to IDOT agreement processing timeline. Draft agreements submitted 11/7/22				
64.31	03-22-0031	Braintree Dr from Bode Rd to Schaumburg Rd	Village of Schaumburg	CON/CE*				\$2,252,250			Nov-25					
64.31	03-22-0032	Braintree Dr from Schaumburg Rd to Weathersfield Way	Village of Schaumburg	CON/CE*				\$2,161,500			Nov-25	Originally requested funding for 2025				
64.31	03-16-0008	Palatine Rd from Quentin Rd to Smith St	Village of Palatine	ENG II	\$474,826						Feb-23					
64.31	03-16-0008	Palatine Rd from Quentin Rd to Smith St	Village of Palatine	ROW	\$253,000						Jun-23					
64.31	03-16-0008	Palatine Rd from Quentin Rd to Smith St	Village of Palatine	CON/CE*		\$2,874,500					Sep-24					
62.8	03-20-0041	Woodfield Rd from Plum Grove Rd to Meacham Rd	Village of Schaumburg	CON/CE*			\$3,000,000				Jan-25					
62.69	03-20-0048	Rodenburg Rd from Irving Park Rd to Village Limits	Village of Schaumburg	CON/CE*	\$3,822,653						Jun-23	Awarded additional CON funding from DMMC				
62.5	03-20-0050	Rand Rd-IL 83-Kensington Rd Intersection Improvements	Village of Mount Prospect	ENG II	\$685,060						Sep-24					
62.5	03-20-0050	Rand Rd-IL 83-Kensington Rd Intersection Improvements	Village of Mount Prospect	ROW	\$114,940						Nov-24					
62.5	03-20-0050	Rand Rd-IL 83-Kensington Rd Intersection Improvements	Village of Mount Prospect	CON*				\$2,700,000			Jan-25	Originally requested funding for 2024				
62.5	03-22-0033	Palatine Rd at Rohlwing Rd Intersection Improvements	Village of Palatine	ENG II				\$55,000			Nov-23	Originally requested funding for 2023				
62.5	03-22-0033	Palatine Rd at Rohlwing Rd Intersection Improvements	Village of Palatine	CON/CE*					\$968,000		Nov-26	Originally requested funding for 2025				
61.88	03-22-0034	Windsor Dr from Hintz Rd to Jane Ave	Village of Arlington Heights	CON/CE*							Nov-26	Originally requested funding for 2025				
61.5	03-22-0035	Bieberfield Rd from Martha St to Arlington Heights Rd	Village of Elk Grove Village	CON/CE*					\$3,500,000		Jan-27					
60	03-20-0044	Algonquin Rd-Hammond Dr Intersection Improvements	Village of Schaumburg	CON/CE*	\$800,000						Nov-23	Submitted pre-final plans 12/19/22				
59.25	03-22-0036	Jones Rd from Highland Blvd to IL 72 Higgins Rd	Village of Hoffman Estates	CON/CE*				\$543,750			Mar-26	Originally requested funding for 2024				
57.06	03-19-0006	National Parkway from Golf Rd to Higgins Rd	Village of Schaumburg	CON/CE*	\$3,023,783						Jan-23	Obligation deadline extended to April 2023 letting				
50.25	03-22-0037	Hintz Rd from Kennicott Ave to Arlington Heights Rd	Village of Arlington Heights	ENG II				\$106,500			Mar-27					
49.56	03-22-0044	Hassell Rd from Fairway Ct to Rosedale Ln	Village of Hoffman Estates	CON/CE*				\$726,000			Mar-25	Originally requested funding for 2024				
44.38	03-22-0038	Hicks Rd at IL 68 Dundee Rd Intersection Improvements	Village of Palatine	ENG II		\$43,050					Nov-23	Originally requested funding for 2023				
44.38	03-22-0038	Hicks Rd at IL 68 Dundee Rd Intersection Improvements	Village of Palatine	ROW			\$105,000				Jun-25	Originally requested funding for 2024				
42.94	03-22-0039	Central Rd from E. Frontage Rd to Old Wilke Rd	City of Rolling Meadows	ENG II		\$218,750					Jun-24	Originally requested funding for 2025				
42.94	03-22-0039	Central Rd from E. Frontage Rd to Old Wilke Rd	City of Rolling Meadows	ROW			\$45,000				Jun-25	Originally requested funding for 2026				
42.31	03-22-0040	Dryden Ave from Thomas St to Oakton St	Village of Arlington Heights	ENG II			\$33,500				Jan-25					
41.16	03-22-0041	Arthur Ave from Davis St to Central Rd	Village of Arlington Heights	ENG II				\$93,500			Jan-26					
40.46	03-20-0052	Weber Dr from Central Rd to Algonquin Rd	City of Rolling Meadows	ENG II	\$99,000						Apr-23	Actively reprogrammed ROW funding to ENG II per sponsor request				
40.46	03-20-0052	Weber Dr from Central Rd to Algonquin Rd	City of Rolling Meadows	CON/CE*		\$1,393,600					Jun-24					
39.34	03-22-0042	Hillside Ave from Hough St to US 14 Northwest Hwy	Village of Barrington	ENG II		\$261,500					Sep-25	Originally requested funding for 2023				

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Funding authorized
Project let

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Contingency Program										Target Letting/Auth.	Notes
TIP ID	Project	Muni/Lead	Phase	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027			
59.5	Weathersfield Way from Salem Dr to Roselle Rd	Village of Schaumburg	CON/CE*				\$1,971,750			Mar-26	
58.56	Springinsguth Rd from Wise Rd to Schaumburg Rd	Village of Schaumburg	CON*					\$3,500,000		Mar-27	
	Illinois Ave from Plum Grove Rd to Quentin Rd	Village of Palatine	CON/CE*		\$1,072,500					Feb-24	
58	Salem Dr from Wise Rd to Weathersfield Way	Village of Schaumburg	CON/CE*				\$2,607,000			Mar-26	
57.56	03-20-0049 Bernard Dr from Arlington Heights Rd to Lincoln Terrace	Village of Buffalo Grove	CON/CE*			\$3,150,000				Jan-25	Scope change revised project limits; project receives same score
56	Kirchoff Rd/Plum Grove Rd Resurfacing	City of Rolling Meadows	CON/CE*			\$2,103,750				Mar-26	
55.13	McConnor Pkwy from Meacham Rd to Roosevelt Blvd	Village of Schaumburg	CON*				\$3,500,000			Nov-24	
51.19	Wheeling Rd from Palatine Rd to IL 68 Dundee Rd	Village of Wheeling	CON*			\$3,500,000				Jan-26	
50.25	03-22-0037 Hintz Rd from Kennicott Ave to Arlington Heights Rd	Village of Arlington Heights	CON/CE*					\$3,071,840		Feb-27	
49.5	Weathersfield Way from from Roselle Rd to Plum Grove Rd	Village of Schaumburg	CON/CE*				\$1,938,750			Mar-26	
48.75	McConnor Pkwy from Roosevelt Blvd to IL 58 Golf Rd	Village of Schaumburg	CON*			\$3,500,000				Nov-24	
47	Oak Ave from Railroad Ave to US 20 Lake St	Village of Bartlett	CON/CE*			\$693,000				Mar-25	
46.69	Thomas St from Wilke Rd to Arlington Heights Rd	Village of Arlington Heights	CON/CE*					\$2,230,672		Feb-27	
45.5	Ridge Ave from Landmeier Rd to Devon Ave	Village of Elk Grove Village	CON/CE*					\$2,917,500		Jan-27	
44.97	Tonne Rd from Elk Grove Blvd to Devon Ave	Village of Elk Grove Village	CON/CE*				\$3,500,000			Jan-26	
44.38	03-22-0038 Hicks Rd at IL 68 Dundee Rd Intersection Improvements	Village of Palatine	CON/CE*		\$757,680					Feb-24	
42.94	Central Rd from E. Frontage Rd to Old Wilke Rd	City of Rolling Meadows	CON/CE*					\$2,800,000		Jan-27	
42.75	Weathersfield Way from Springinsguth Rd to Braintree Dr	Village of Schaumburg	CON/CE*					\$2,358,400		Mar-27	
42.31	03-22-0040 Dryden Ave from Thomas St to Oakton St	Village of Arlington Heights	CON/CE*				\$968,416			Feb-26	
42.06	Kennicott Ave from Hintz Rd to Happfield Dr	Village of Arlington Heights	CON*				\$3,500,000			Feb-26	
41.38	Salem Dr from Schaumburg Rd to Parker Dr	Village of Schaumburg	CON/CE*				\$2,983,200			Mar-26	
41.38	Salem Dr from Weathersfield Way to Schaumburg Rd	Village of Schaumburg	CON/CE*		\$3,197,840					Mar-24	
41.16	03-22-0041 Arthur Ave from Davis St to Central Rd	Village of Arlington Heights	CON/CE*					\$2,692,811		Feb-27	
40.63	Pratt Blvd from Busse Rd to Elmhurst Rd	Village of Elk Grove Village	CON/CE*					\$2,121,000		Jun-27	
40.16	Braintree Dr from Wise Rd to Weathersfield Way	Village of Schaumburg	CON*				\$3,500,000			Mar-26	
39.34	03-22-0042 Hillside Ave from Hough St to US 14 Northwest Hwy	Village of Barrington	CON/CE*				\$3,238,500			Mar-26	
38.56	Spring South Rd from Wise Rd to IL 19 Irving Park Rd	Village of Schaumburg	CON/CE*				\$2,921,600			Mar-26	
				Subtotals	\$0	\$5,028,020	\$16,446,750	\$27,129,216	\$21,692,223		
						Total			\$70,296,209		

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**Memorandum**

TO: Northwest Council of Mayors STP Working Group Follow Up

FROM: Eric Czarnota, Northwest Council of Mayors Planning Liaison

RE: Revisions to the Northwest Council of Mayors STP Methodology

DATE: July 14, 2023

**Action Requested:** Determine additional amendments to the Northwest Council's Surface Transportation Program (STP) methodology that support the Council's broader goals.

**Issue:** Several potential revisions to the Northwest Council of Mayors STP methodology have been proposed in response to member experiences during the call for projects and functional classification change process. The Working Group met on August 2 and November 10, 2022 and March 22, 2023 to discuss potential options and provide feedback for staff to create refined proposals. Staff also received feedback from council members via email.

During the April 28 Northwest Council Technical Committee meeting, members expressed concern that the proposed changes did not adequately address the overall goals of the council and there was not a consensus on several of the recommendations. The Technical Committee recommended further discussion of the Council's broader issues and goals before considering any modifications to the STP methodology.

**PROJECT SELECTION CRITERIA – ROADWAYS AND INTERSECTIONS**

Regional Transportation Significance 35 points (17.5%)

**Safety** 35 points (17.5%)

Prior Agency Funding 5 points (2.5%)

**Complete Streets/Multimodal Improvements** 50 points (25%)

**Congestion Mitigation** 30 points (15 %)

Project Readiness 40 points (20 %)

Inclusion in Current Northwest Council STP Program 5 points (2.5%)

**PROJECT SELECTION CRITERIA – RESURFACINGS**

Regional Transportation Significance 50 points (25%)

**Complete Streets/Multimodal Improvements** 50 points (25%)

Project Readiness 40 points (20%)

Pavement Condition 50 points (25%)

Prior Agency Funding 5 points (2.5%)

Inclusion in Current Northwest Council STP 5 points (2.5%)

**A. Council Goals / Funding Priorities:** Establish overall goals of the Northwest Council so that staff can ensure alignment of desired STP changes with states objectives.

**July 6 Meeting recommendation:** It was the consensus of the working group that the Council objectives should focus on larger intersection/reconstruction projects with no change to the percentage of yearly STP-L funding allocated exclusively for Intersection/reconstruction projects.

**Action Requested:** No action required.

**B. Complete Streets:** During both calls for projects held to date, requests have been made to change how this category is scored. Below is the scoring as it currently stands:

Action Taken	Points
Community has adopted a Complete Streets policy	30
Project includes new or upgraded Complete Streets elements	20
Project includes replacement or maintenance of existing Complete Streets infrastructure OR sponsor has documented an exception in Phase I or Phase II	10

Previous working group recommendation:

- Keep total points available the same.
- Change scoring for the adoption of a Complete Streets policy from 30 points to 25 points.
- Lower the points awarded for new or upgraded elements to 15 points from the current 20 points.
- Keep the point amount for replacement/maintenance and documented exceptions the same.
- The remaining 10 points will be made into a “bonus” category awarded to the top 3 projects in terms of the number of new or upgraded Complete Streets elements.

Note: It was the consensus of the working group to reduce the amount of points a project would receive if the community had adopted a Complete Streets policy. This was based on the assumption that all council members already have a Complete Streets policy. However, Park Ridge, Inverness and South Barrington do not currently have a Complete Streets policy. It was suggested to allocate only 10 points for having a policy, while increasing the points for new or upgraded Complete Streets elements to 25 points, and replacement or maintenance of existing Complete Streets infrastructure to 15 points.

Action Taken	Points
Community has adopted a Complete Streets policy	25
Project includes new or upgraded Complete Streets elements	15
Project includes replacement or maintenance of existing Complete Streets infrastructure OR sponsor has documented an exception in Phase I or Phase II	10
Additional points to the Top 3 projects in this category	10

Action Taken	Points
Community has adopted a Complete Streets policy	15
Project includes new or upgraded Complete Streets elements	20
Project includes replacement or maintenance of existing Complete Streets infrastructure OR sponsor has documented an exception in Phase I or Phase II	15
Additional points to the Top 3 projects in this category	15

Staff used this system to rescore a previous call for projects and assess the impacts of the potential new scoring system. It was determined that this system would help achieve the goals of making the category more meaningful in modest ways while not penalizing projects that might not have the capability to make significant Complete Streets improvements. Staff did not receive negative feedback on this solution following distribution of this information to the working group via email.

**July 6 Meeting recommendation:** The working group came to the consensus that the amount of points awarded for having a Complete Streets (CS) policy should be lowered from 30 to 20 points. Projects that include new or upgraded CS elements will remain at 20 points. Projects that include replacement or maintenance of existing CS infrastructure OR sponsor has documented an exception in Phase I or Phase II will increase from 15 to 20 points. Additional points to the Top 3 projects will be worth 10 points meaning that only 3 intersection/reconstruction projects will get a perfect 50/50 points in this category. The table below illustrates the breakdown of those points.

Action Taken	Points
Community has adopted a Complete Streets policy	20
Project includes new or upgraded Complete Streets elements	20
Project includes replacement or maintenance of existing Complete Streets infrastructure OR sponsor has documented an exception in Phase I or Phase II	20
Additional points to the Top 3 projects in this category	10

**Action Requested:** Approve recommendation for new scoring breakdown of points for Complete Streets. This includes removing 5 points from having a complete streets policy making it only 20 points. Increasing the amount of points for new or upgraded complete street elements by 5 points for a total of 20 points. Increasing the amount of points for replacement or maintenance of existing complete street elements by 10 points to make it 20 points. Adding an additional 10 points for the Top 3 projects in this category.

**C. Safety Data:** Currently, the safety tiers data for local roads used by the Council is from 2017. IDOT has updated the state route data for 2020, but the latest available data will always be a couple of years behind. Staff suggested that the council align with some of CMAP's recent proposals. Below is the proposed reallocation:

#### Safety Need

SRI Category	Points
Critical	<del>20</del> 12
High	<del>15</del> 10
Medium	<del>10</del> 8
Low	<del>5</del> 4

Minimal	0
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Up to eight additional points will be awarded based on the percentage crashes that occurred within the project limits that are one of the high risk crash types and the percentage of those high risk crashes that resulted in a fatality or serious injury:

- Percentage of speed related crashes within the project limits x 2 points
- Percentage of crashes involving vulnerable users within the project limits x 2 points
- Percentage of speed related crashes resulting in a fatality or serious injury x 2 points
- Percentage of vulnerable user crashes resulting in a fatality or serious injury x 2 points

Crash data used to determine these percentages will be the most recent five years for which data was available from IDOT or provided by the applicant. No points will be given for speed-related or vulnerable user-involved crashes if the project scope does not include countermeasures to address reduction of these types of crashes. A crash that was both speed related and involved a vulnerable user would be counted in both parts of this scoring. The total points for the Safety Need category is 20 points.

**July 6 Meeting recommended discussion:** After discussion the working group came to a consensus that the scoring for the SRI category should remain unchanged. The current breakdown that will be used for the upcoming Call for Projects this fall is below.

SRI Category	Points
Critical	20
High	15
Medium	10
Low	5
Minimal	0

**Action Requested:** No action required.

**D. Level of Service:** Currently, all intersection and reconstruction project types are subject to Level of Service (LOS) scoring, even though many reconstruction projects do not address Level of Service improvements. This puts many reconstruction projects at a disadvantage, since they almost always automatically receive a 0 in this category. The category is worth 15% of total points available.

**Green Infrastructure Planning Factor**

Number of Green Infrastructure Elements in Project	Points
5	20
4	16
3	12
2	8
1	4
0	0

**Freight Planning Factor**

Proximity of Zoned Industrial Land Use to Project Location	Points
Within ½ mile	10
Within 1 mile	5



**July 6 Meeting recommendation:** The working group recommended no changes to this section for now. The working group asked staff to explore new scoring criteria for this section for the future that could include scoring congestion mitigation improvements such as the change in the number of lanes, change in sidewalks, new turn lane, level of transit nearby or number of bike/ped facilities nearby.

**Action Requested:** Does the committee want to change Level of Service project selection criteria? Further discussion required.

**Background:** The Northwest Council of Mayors first approved a new STP scoring methodology in response to federal requirements in September 2019. The Council held its first call for projects (CFP) using the new system in January 2020. Following the first call for projects, several changes were proposed and discussed by a working group composed of members' staff. Proposed changes included several minor changes to the application as well as more significant changes to the Complete Streets category. The Technical Committee was presented with the proposed changes and elected to approve the minor clerical changes while deferring any for the Complete Streets category in favor of allowing another CFP to proceed under the original scoring and reassess in the future.

In November 2021, the Working Group met again to discuss a change to allow cost increases for Phase II engineering. This change was approved and officially incorporated into the methodology in February 2022. After holding another CFP in January 2022, additional changes to the council's methodology were requested, and the Working Group was convened to discuss and recommend solutions. The group then reconvened in March and made some suggestions; however, there was not a consensus on recommendations to present to the Technical Committee.