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- Bartlett
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- 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
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**Northwest Municipal Conference  
Transportation Committee**

**Agenda**

**November 21, 2024**

**8:30 a.m.**

**NWMC Offices and Video Conference**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86751781695?pwd=bOjwXLSwDXX39ltZWxkAjjiYzkgcEs.1>

Meeting ID: 867 5178 1695

Passcode: 670043

- I. Call to Order**
  
- II. October 24 2024 Meeting Minutes (Attachment A)**  
*Action Requested:* Approve Minutes
  
- III. Agency Reports**
  - a. CMAP (Attachment B)**
  - b. Cook County Department of Transportation and Highways**
  - c. IDOT Highways**
  - d. IDOT Local Roads (Attachment C)**
  - e. Illinois Tollway**
  - f. Metra**
  - g. Pace (Attachment D)**
  - h. RTA (Attachment E)**
  
- IV. Parking Requirements and Their Community Impacts**  
Parking requirements are currently under review by communities across the Chicagoland region. CMAP staff will share an analysis of how the region is approaching changing transportation needs, what the situation looks like in the rest of the country, and solutions communities are taking in response to these trends.  
*Action Requested:* Informational/Discussion
  
- V. Other Business**
  
- VI. Next Meeting**  
The next meeting of the NWMC Transportation Committee is scheduled for Thursday, December 19 at 8:30 a.m. at the NWMC offices and via videoconference.
  
- VII. Adjourn**

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Highland Park  
Hoffman Estates  
Kenilworth  
Lake Bluff  
Lake Forest  
Lake Zurich  
Libertyville  
Lincolnshire  
Lincolnwood  
Morton Grove  
Mount Prospect  
Niles  
Northbrook  
Northfield  
Northfield Township  
Palatine  
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**Northwest Municipal Conference  
Transportation Committee  
Meeting Minutes  
October 24, 2024  
NWMC Offices and Video Conference**

**Members Present**

Donna Johnson, Mayor, Libertyville, Co-Chair  
Kyle Johnson, Buffalo Grove  
Bob Benton, Trustee, Deerfield  
Maggie Jablonski, Elk Grove Village  
Jeff Brady, Glenview  
Bill McLeod, Mayor, Hoffman Estates  
Phil Green, Hoffman Estates  
Tim O'Brien, Niles  
Lou Arrigoni, Park Ridge  
Lara Sanoica, Mayor, Rolling Meadows  
Brian Bieschke, Trustee, Schaumburg  
Sidney Kenyon, Schaumburg

**Others Present**

Ken Jay, Elk Grove Village  
Sarah D. FioRito, Evanston  
Aram Beladi, Northbrook  
Victoria Barrett, CMAP  
Katherine Herdus, IDOT  
Kelsey Passi, Illinois Tollway  
Jessica Rybarczyk, Pace Suburban Bus  
Zachary Braun, RTA  
Joe Cwynar, Engineering Enterprises, Inc.  
Mark Fowler, NWMC  
Eric Czarnota, NWMC  
Brian Larson, NWMC

**I. Call to Order**

*Mayor Johnson called the meeting to order at 8:36 a.m.*

**II. September 26, 2024 Meeting Minutes**

*Trustee Benton moved approval of the September 26, 2024 minutes. Mayor McLeod seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.*

**III. Agency Reports****a. CMAP**

Ms. Barrett stated that she would be presenting later in the agenda but would be able to direct any questions regarding the CMAP report included in the agenda packet.

**b. Cook County Department of Transportation and Highways**

No report.

**c. IDOT Highways**

Ms. Herdus reported that the Route 53 bridge deck and overlay would be letting in November and the US 14 bridge has been removed from the program due to Union Pacific agreements.

Mayor Johnson asked about the timeline for project completion. Ms. Herdus said she would obtain and share that information.

**d. IDOT Local Roads**

No report.

**e. Illinois Tollway**

Ms. Passi discussed [Illinois Tollway's Investing in the Future capital plan and its survey](#). She added that the Tollway's transponder tag substitution will occur automatically, or can be processed at a local Jewel-Osco. Ms. Passi reported on the Tollway's IPASS Assist program for income-eligible drivers, the Tollway's available social media kits and the IPASS On Demand Team that can make appearances at outreach events.

Mr. Kenyon asked about the planned schedule for Western 490 Bypass and 290 overpasses. Ms. Passi asked Mr. Kenyon to email her and she would follow up.

**f. Metra**

Ms. Dote reported that Metra's operating budget remains balanced, with \$331 million in remaining COVID funds, and \$248 million to be allocated next year. She added that the capital program will include systemwide identification for ADA improvements and compliance, including Braeside.

Ms. Dote announced that the Metra budget hearing in Lake County on November 6 will be held at the Mundelein Village Hall, and the Chicago hearing will offer a virtual option. On November 7, she said hearings will be held for North Cook County in Hanover Park and for McHenry County in Crystal Lake. Ms. Dote also noted that email comments about the budget can be sent to [2025budgetcomments@metrarr.com](mailto:2025budgetcomments@metrarr.com).

Ms. Dote reported that Metra is now currently at 62% of pre-pandemic ridership, with the UP-Northwest at 66%, UP-North at 83%, and the MD-North at 56%.

Mayor Johnson asked if Metra's ADA compliance projects were ridership focused. Ms. Dote replied that ridership is driving Metra's initial focus.

Mayor Johnson asked if Metra is regularly reviewing its ridership versus service levels and impacts between the two. Ms. Dote said Metra is reviewing scheduling, lot counts, conductor counts, and rider feedback to inform its schedules.

Mr. Benton highlighted that Morton Grove is building a new Metra station. Ms. Dote confirmed the project is led by Morton Grove, with anticipated completion by summer 2025.

**g. Pace**

Ms. Rybarczyk reported on Pace's budget hearing process, which will offer in-person and virtual options, including website, email, and phone comment available through October 30. She added that the proposed budgets were presented to Cook County Board of Commissioners on October 23, and Pace hosted a hearing in River Grove.

Ms. Rybarczyk said that Pace participated in the Illinois Senate Transportation Committee hearings, and would be attending the RTA Suburban Transit Summit later that day at the Metropolis Ballroom in Arlington Heights.

She noted that Pace has served its highest ridership since the pandemic, with a 13.2% year-over-year increase from September 2023 to September 2024, with overall ridership now at 83% of pre-pandemic numbers and ADA paratransit serving over 100% of its pre-pandemic numbers.

**h. RTA**

Mr. Braun reported that the RTA presented its budget to the Cook County Board of Commissioners on October 23, and that additional hearing dates have been scheduled beyond those listed in the attached report. He noted that the RTA Suburban Transit Summit will be occurring later that day in Arlington Heights. Mr. Braun shared that the RTAMS data portal survey had closed with over 50 responses.

**IV. CMAP Speed Management Report**

Ms. Barrett presented the CMAP [speed management report](#), which identifies speed as a contributing factor in 35 to 40 percent of fatal crashes in Illinois. She said the report explores factors that contribute to speed-related traffic safety risks and provided recommendations on road design, speed limit policy, education and equitable enforcement.

Ms. FioRito noted the importance of considering the large trucking and shipping infrastructure when discussing vehicle sizes. Ms. Barrett responded that while CMAP has reviewed truck crashes, which are often fatal, the majority of fatal crashes involve passenger vehicles. She also noted that the 2017 law requiring a 65' truck curb capacity contributes to this risk. Ms. FioRito asked about the risks of streamlining trucks, and Ms. Barrett said that CMAP will connect after the meeting to discuss.

Ms. FioRito asked whether CMAP or other agencies are looking at regulating vehicles beyond the scale of passenger vehicles. Ms. Barrett said such work is only recently on the agency's radar.

Mr. Benton shared that Deerfield has developed an informational card on micromobility modes. Ms. Barrett acknowledged that supporting micromobility and making those modes safe require local ordinance changes, and encouraged Safe Travel for All engagement, including policy documents for bicycle, pedestrian and micromobility tools.

**V. Other Business**

No other business.

**VI. Next Meeting**

Mayor Johnson announced that the next meeting of the NWMC Transportation Committee is scheduled for Thursday, November 21 at 8:30 a.m. at the NWMC offices and via videoconference.

**VII. Adjourn**

*Mayor McLeod moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:42 a.m. Trustee Benton seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.*

## CMAP news

### **New CMAP website – now live and seeking feedback!**

CMAP is excited to announce that our [new website](#) is live! The updated website features a modern design with user-friendly navigation as well as improved accessibility, interactivity, and search functionality. Pages include integrated data, resources, and tools. After you explore the website, fill out and share [our survey](#) to tell us your thoughts and how we can further improve the site.

### **Job opportunities**

CMAP is hiring for several full-time positions: a [Grants Specialist](#) in the Finance and Administration division; and an [Executive Assistant](#) in the Executive office. Visit CMAP's [Careers page](#) to discover more job opportunities.

### **Forging a new partnership to invest in I-290 Eisenhower Expressway/Blue Line corridor**

The Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT), the Chicago Transit Authority (CTA), and CMAP are partnering to plan for a modernized and improved [I-290 Eisenhower Expressway/Blue Line](#) corridor. CMAP and its partners recently took action to create and fund a new corridor development office to create a unified approach and advance progress on this critical multi-modal corridor.

Constructed in the late 1950s, its infrastructure has aged over the decades, and travel demand has exceeded capacity, resulting in poor roadway operations and safety issues. Additionally, the Blue Line Forest Park branch has deteriorated, suffering from slow zones and hard-to-access rail stations.

### **2024 Municipal Survey**

In collaboration with the Council of Mayors, CMAP continues to encourage municipalities to complete the 2024 Municipal Survey. The survey will provide an updated snapshot of the region's current priorities and used to support a variety of agency initiatives. Survey results will be shared across the agency, CMAP Board, and Council of Mayors, once the survey closes. For more information, please contact [Mai Dang](#).

## Program status updates

### **Surface Transportation Program**

The [STP Project Selection Committee](#) last met on August 28, 2024. The committee is scheduled to meet next on **December 5, 2024**, at 9:30 a.m. [Meeting Materials](#) are posted on CMAP's Legistar site one week in advance of the meetings. 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 were updated in April and are available on CMAP's [STP web page](#).

See the *Funding Opportunities* section below for information about the upcoming call for FFY 2026-2030 projects.

Staff contact: [Jon Haadsma](#) (312-386-8664)

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### **Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ), Carbon Reduction (CRP), and Transportation Alternatives (TAP-L)**

The most recent [CMAQ Project Selection Committee](#) meeting was held on August 28, 2024. The committee's next meeting is scheduled for **December 5, 2024**, at 11:00 a.m. [Meeting materials](#) are posted on CMAP's Legistar site one week in advance of the meetings. Information for submitting change requests for CMAQ, CRP, or TAP-L funded projects can be found on CMAP's [CMAQ web page](#).

See the *Funding Opportunities* section below for information about the upcoming call for FFY 2026-2030 projects.

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

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

CMAP's [STAR program](#) continues to work to improve regional travel safety with assistance, resources and policy development. Our *Safe Streets and Roads for All* Regional Safety Action Plan program, with county-led safety action plans across the region, is kicking off engagement activities. Most counties have launched steering committees and are beginning to table at and host engagement events.

CMAP is seeking input to understand the most pressing issues and traffic safety hotspots in the communities you live, work, and travel in. Please visit the [Safe Travel for All project website](#) (and county-specific pages linked within) to:

- Drop pins on the safety hotspots map
- Take the traffic safety survey
- Get event and open house details
- Sign up for project updates

CMAP's recent Speed Management report explores the factors that contribute to speed-related traffic safety risks and provides recommendations on road design, speed limit policy, education, and equitable enforcement. The report proposes that the region adopt the Safe System Approach to achieve travel safety goals outlined in ON TO 2050, the region's comprehensive plan. Learn more in the [full report](#) and [executive summary](#).

Staff contact: [Lindsay Bayley](#) (312-386-8826)

### **Accessible Communities Program**

CMAP launched the Accessible Communities Program to help communities in northeastern Illinois improve accessibility for their residents and visitors with disabilities. Essential information about improving accessibility can be found on this [CMAP webpage](#) and in the Accessible Communities newsletter. Receive the latest news by updating your subscriber preferences [here](#).

CMAP wrapped up a series of free ADA trainings, which cover ADA and Title II requirements, completing a self-evaluation, the role of an ADA coordinator, developing a transition plan, and PROWAG. All training slides and recordings are now available on the [CMAP website](#).

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CMAP is excited to launch the newest initiative in our Accessible Communities program: the [Regional ADA Coordinators Group](#). This group is for municipal Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) coordinators or others interested in learning more about this federally required role. It will connect ADA coordinators from across the region with each other, as well as resources and training.

The first meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, November 19, 9:30 to 11:00 a.m.** discussing new guidelines for website and mobile application accessibility. This session will be facilitated in a hybrid format — attend virtually or in-person at CMAP offices. Please [register](#) by **November 12**. If you are an ADA coordinator, [please take this survey](#) to help CMAP understand your role and how we can support your work.

Staff contact: [Jaemi Jackson](#) (312-386-8706)

## **CMAP products and data**

### **2024 Community Data Snapshots**

Updated 2024 CMAP [Community Data Snapshots](#) are now available. The annual snapshots provide data-driven profiles for every county, municipality, and Chicago Community Area (CCA) in our region. The snapshots include updated demographic, socioeconomic, and employment data from the American Community Survey (ACS) datasets, updated land use summaries using data from the [Land Use Inventory](#), and updated estimated vehicle miles traveled per household. Staff has also created a [toolkit](#) to help communities share this information.

Please email [data@cmmap.illinois.gov](mailto:data@cmmap.illinois.gov) with any questions or provide feedback [here](#).

### **2024 Northeastern Illinois Priority Transportation Investments**

CMAP recently released [Northeastern Illinois Priority Investments](#), a blueprint documenting the highest-priority projects across the region for 2024. It reflects collaboration between CMAP and our partners at the Illinois Department of Transportation, the Chicago Department of Transportation, the Regional Transportation Authority (RTA), the Chicago Transit Authority (CTA), Metra, Pace, the region's seven counties, and the CREATE Program partners. Additional [online resources](#) to provide communities and partners with the essential information they need to know about Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act and its benefits to the region are also available.

### **Plan of Action for Regional Transit (PART)**

Following CMAP's delivery of the [PART report](#) to the General Assembly and Governor's Office, legislative deliberations about the future of transit funding have continued. Most recently, the Climate and Equitable Transportation Act (CETA) was filed, which includes three bills that address several transit and climate issues in the region. One component of CETA, the Metropolitan Mobility Authority Act, details several reforms to transit governance and operations in northeastern Illinois. A companion appropriations bill was also introduced with the intent to provide \$1.5 billion in additional operating funds each year to transit across the region.



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PART outlined three areas that must work in tandem to address the \$730 million fiscal cliff facing our region in 2026 and strength our transit system: system improvements, funding solutions, and governance reforms. CMAP will continue to provide feedback and input in alignment with the PART report. We look forward continued collaboration with partners, stakeholders, and legislators to strengthen transit in the region.

Staff contact: [Kasia Hart](#) (312-386-8630)

### **Climate Action Planning**

CMAP collaborated with the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus to prepare the [Priority Climate Action Plan](#) that will set the region on a path to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and allow communities in northeastern Illinois to compete for investments from the U.S. EPA's Climate Pollution Reduction Grant Program. The plan supports equitable investment in policies, practices, and technologies that can enhance the quality of life in our region. The goal is to reduce pollutant emissions, create high-quality jobs, and spur economic growth.

CMAP has begun work on the regional Climate Action Plan. Due in June 2025, the plan will provide an overview of major regional sources and sinks of emissions, develop emissions scenarios and targets, and recommend strategies to reduce emissions.

Staff contact: [Nora Beck](#) (312-386-8677)

### **Explore the CMAP data hub**

CMAP's [Data Hub](#) provides vetted and trustworthy information about northeastern Illinois so local governments, community organizations, academic researchers, and businesses can learn and make informed decisions about their communities. The Data Hub allows you to search or browse by categories and tags. You can find tables or shapefiles for transit routes and stops, land use inventory, greenhouse gas emissions, economically disconnected and disinvested areas, bikeway inventory system, and more!

### **Discover historical aerial photos of the region**

[The Imagery Explorer](#) showcases CMAP's large collection of historical aerial photographs of northeastern Illinois from 1970 through 1995. The archive includes 6,300 images in six of the region's counties. Historic aerial photographs are valuable resources for planning activities like landscape and land use analysis, environmental impact assessments, development projects, and education. These images provide a method for examining changes in properties, neighborhoods, and land use in general. You also can examine changes in historical, environmental, or architectural information about sites over time.

### **From our partners**

#### **Next Move Illinois 2026 Public Transportation Plan**

IDOT is working on [Next Move Illinois](#), a new statewide public transportation plan. The plan seeks to enhance quality-of-life and connectivity in Illinois, including improving the safety and accessibility of our transit networks. Please take the [Next Move Illinois survey](#) and share it with your networks.

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### **Comment period open for proposed rule to protect pedestrians**

The [NHTSA proposed a new rule](#) to reduce fatalities and serious injuries among pedestrians struck by vehicles. The proposed rule would establish a new Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard requiring new passenger vehicles be designed to reduce the risk of serious and fatal injuries in pedestrian crashes. The public comment period is open until **Friday, November 8**.

### **2023 IDOT National Highway System (NHS) pavement and bridge data**

IDOT collects condition data on Interstate pavements annually and on non-Interstate pavements on a two-year cycle. Bridges receive a routine visual inspection at least every 2-4 years, depending on the condition. The results of the most recent NHS pavement condition assessments and bridge inspections, along with performance measures and targets, may be accessed on [IDOT's "Performance" webpage](#).

### **2023 IDOT statewide crash data**

On July 22, IDOT released [Circular Letter 2024-15](#) announcing that 2023 statewide crash data is now available. This information can be accessed by logging into "IDOT's Safety Portal" via this [link](#). If you are a first-time user, please select "Create a New Account" and enter the required information.

### **Vulnerable Road User Safety Assessment (VRUSA)**

The IDOT [Vulnerable Road User Safety Assessment \(VRUSA\)](#) is available for download and use. The VRUSA contains IDOT's efforts to help stakeholders identify programs and projects to address vulnerable road user safety through stakeholders' engagement and data analysis. It also outlines safety strategies based on the safe system approach with a profound consideration for equity principles. It is IDOT's intention for this document to be an important tool for stakeholders to continue to address the needs of VRU's in their communities.

To assist in the use of the VRUSA for the planning of future projects that address the safety of VRUs, a [VRUSA Dashboard](#) has been created that allows the user to view the results of the VRUSA data analysis in a way that can be filtered to specific areas of the state.

### **Funding opportunities**

#### **CMAQ FFY 2026-2030 Call for Projects: STP-Shared Fund, CMAQ, CRP, and TAP-L**

Funding will be available for the [STP-Shared Fund](#), [CMAQ](#), [CRP](#), and [TAP-L](#) fund sources. The biannual call for projects administered by CMAP staff is open through **December 20 at 5:00 p.m.** Detailed information about eligibility, the application process, and FAQs can be found on the [Call for Projects](#) webpage, along with fact sheets for each fund source. The [recording](#) and [materials](#) from the information webinar is available.

#### **USDOT FY 2025 RAISE Grant Opportunity**

The U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) program provides grants for surface transportation infrastructure projects with significant local or regional impact. The minimum size for capital RAISE grant awards is \$5 million for projects in urban areas and \$1 million for those in rural areas. There is no minimum award amount for planning grants. The maximum award size for both capital and planning grants is \$25 million.

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The [Notice of Funding Opportunity](#) details two rounds of selections:

- Round 1 – The Department is reserving a portion of the \$1.5 billion in FY 2025 RAISE funds, provided by the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, or BIL), for Highly Rated applications that were not selected under the FY 2024 RAISE NOFO and designated FY 2024 Projects of Merit. FY 2024 Projects of Merit not selected for award under Round 1 must submit a revised application in [Grants.gov](#) to be considered under Round 2.
  - Deadline: Eligible applicants seeking awards under Round 1 must notify USDOT by email ([RAISEgrants@dot.gov](mailto:RAISEgrants@dot.gov)) by **December 2, 2024**
  - Awards announcement: Expected by Jan. 13, 2025
- Round 2 – The Department will make another round of selections using a portion of the \$1.5 billion in FY 2025 RAISE BIL funds and/or additional funding that may become available for the program under the FY 2025 Appropriations Act. Complete instructions on how to register and apply can be found at [Grants.gov](#).
  - Deadline: Round 2 applications are due **January 30, 2025**
  - Awards announcement: Expected by June 28, 2025

### **FHWA PROTECT Grant Opportunity and Webinars**

FHWA has posted the [Fiscal Years \(FY\) 2024-2026 Notice of Funding Opportunity](#) (NOFO) for the Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative, Efficient, and Cost-Saving Transportation (PROTECT) Discretionary Grant Program, a competitive grant program created by the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law to help make surface transportation more resilient to natural hazards, including climate change, sea level rise, flooding, extreme weather events, and other natural disasters.

This NOFO offers a total of up to \$876 million in funding through two application periods, including up to \$576 million for FYs 2024 and 2025, and up to \$300 million for FY 2026. The FY 2024-2025 application period opened on October 25, 2024, and will remain open for applications through **February 24, 2025**.

- **PROTECT Notice of Funding Opportunity – How to Apply (Webinar #2)**
  - Tuesday, November 19, 2024 from 3-4 p.m. | [Register here](#)
  - This webinar covers the same content as Webinar #1
- **Preparing a Benefit Cost Analysis for the PROTECT Discretionary Grant Program**
  - Monday, November 18, 2024 from 1-2:30 p.m. | [Register here](#)

### **Training opportunities**

#### **FHWA Learning Management System**

FHWA's National Highway Institute launched its [Blackboard Learning Management System \(LMS\)](#) to provide a more interactive and user-friendly platform, offering easier access to course information, simplified course registration, transcript viewing, and online management of profile information and passwords.

#### **IDOT BLRS 2024 MFT Eligibility and Spending Process T2 training**

IDOT's T2 Center has announced that a new, informative 2024 MFT [training](#) is now available online. For more information on how to navigate this training, along with 35+ additional trainings offered by T2 Center, please reference the [Getting Started Guide](#). New users will need to contact [Barry.Kent@illinois.gov](mailto:Barry.Kent@illinois.gov) for credentials.

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### **Engage with CMAP**

The CMAP office is open daily and [staff](#) have established hybrid work schedules. All CMAP committee meetings are held in-person, and a quorum of committee members must be physically present. CMAP continues 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](#).

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## **Federally-Funded Project Implementation and Active Program Management Reminders – November 2024**

**11/12/2024:** Conformity Amendment (25-03) released for public comment

TIP changes due (January 2025 letting and other changes)

**11/25/2024:** Final plans and draft agreements due for projects targeting March 2025 letting

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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.***



Selections: RCO: 02	Engineer:
Fund:	Tip Fund:

LOCAL ROADS & STREETS STATUS SHEET FOR FEDERAL AID PROJECTS  
 LOCATED IN THE CMAP **NORTH SHORE REGIONAL COUNCIL**

Local Agency/ Section	Project Route/ From/ To/ Scope of Work 1/ Scope of Work 2/	Current CE3 Estimate	T.I.P. NO. FFY/Fund/Cost/Fed Cost/Authorized	Environmental Approval	Public Hearing Status	Design Appv Requested CD DT	ROW Req CD Certified DT	Plans to CO CD DT	Target Let/ Low Bid/ Award Date Award Amt	E1/E2 Consultant	Intagmt Cd Dt RR Agmt Cd Dt 404 Permit Cd Dt	A-95 Review STATE * NIPC *
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6 SKOKIE 130029500BT  3023	FAU1313 - Church St Linder Av to McCormick Blvd Bike Lanes	550,000	02-14-0003 E1: / / / / E2: FFY19 / CMAQ / 43,000 / 32,000 / A RW: / / / / C: FFY23 / CMAQ / 550,000 / 440,000 /	CE 1 5/13/2013	NR		No		4/25/2025	AH CR CBBEL	NR	* * * * * * * * * * *
7 SKOKIE 150030300MS  3007	Var - CTA Stations Dempster to Oakton LANDSCAPING BIKE RACKS	289,000	02-16-0013 E1: / / / / E2: FFY19 / CMAQ / 25,963 / 20,770 / A RW: / / / / C: FFY22 / CMAQ / 289,000 / 231,000 /	CE 1 6/9/2015	NR		Yes		1/1/2026	AH CR CBBEL	NR	* * * * * * * * * * *
8 SKOKIE 160030700BT  3249	Off - Skokie Vly Tr Golf Rd to Dempster BIKEWAYS	3,190,000	02-18-0001 E1: / / / / E2: FFY20 / STE2 / 420,000 / 336,000 / RW: FFY23 / STER / 637,200 / 448,000 / C: FFY24 / STE / 3,190,000 / 2,096,000 /	CE 1 4/5/2019	NR		Yes		4/25/2025	AH CR	NR	* * * * * * * * * * *

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Record id													
1	ARLINGTON HTS 230021900SP  3255	FAU2633 - Wilke Rd Kirchoff Rd to W Kirchoff Rd SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS GUARDRAIL	175,000 E1: / / / / E2: / / / / RW: / / / / C: FFY24 / / 175,000 / 131,000 /	03-23-0005 E1: / / / / E2: / / / / RW: / / / / C: FFY24 / / / /	CE 1 4 / 1 / 2023	NR	No		1/1/2030	AH CR HLR	NR	* * * * * * * * * *	
													REMARKS: HSIP funding withdrawn due to scope change (3-28-24). May re-apply or fund locally.
2	BARRINGTON 110008700GS  3202	FAP0305 - US14 IL 59 to E Valencia Ave GRADE SEPARATION	43,000,000 E1: / / / / E2: / / / / RW: / / / / C: FFY24 / STPL / 43,000,000 / 34,000,000 / / ILL / 4,500,000 /	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 / 2 / 2024		11/8/2024	AH CR Civiltech	A	NR	* * * * * * * * * *
													REMARKS: Item No. 102.
3	COOK CO. FP 18F300028BT  3253	Off - Des Plns Rvr Tr N of Golf Rd to S of Central Rf BIKEWAYS PEDESTRIAN OVERPASS	4,512,000 E1: / / / / E2: FFY21 / GCPF / 136,000 / RW: / / / / C: FFY24 / CMAQ / 3,162,000 / 2,529,000 / / GCPF / 1,350,000 /	03-19-0042 E1: / / / / E2: FFY21 / GCPF / 136,000 / RW: / / / / C: FFY24 / CMAQ / 3,162,000 / 2,529,000 / / GCPF / 1,350,000 /	CE 1 3 / 16 / 2020	NR	Yes		4/25/2025	AH CR Terra	E	NR	* * * * * * * * * *
													REMARKS:
4	ELK GROVE VILL 190007000BR  2951	MS - Willngtn/Leicstr Lake Cosman  CULVERT REPLACEMENT	3,300,000 E1: FFY20 / BRPP / 156,219 / 124,219 / A E2: FFY21 / BRP2 / 260,000 / 208,000 / A RW: FFY23 / BRPR / 400,000 / 320,000 / C: FFY24 / BRP / 3,300,000 / 2,640,000 /	03-19-0007 E1: FFY20 / BRPP / 156,219 / 124,219 / A E2: FFY21 / BRP2 / 260,000 / 208,000 / A RW: FFY23 / BRPR / 400,000 / 320,000 / C: FFY24 / BRP / 3,300,000 / 2,640,000 /	CE 1 9 / 27 / 2021	NR	Yes A 8 / 27 / 2024		11/8/2024	AH CR B & W	NR	NR	* * * * * * * * * *
													REMARKS: Item No. 104.



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5 ELK GROVE VILL 200007301PV  3298	FAU2652 - Tonne Rd Landmeier Rd to Touhy/Elk Gr Bl RECONSTRUCTION MODERNIZE TRAFFIC SIGNALS	10,026,000	03-20-0040 E1: / / / / E2: / / / / RW: / / / / C: FFY25 / STPL / 7,387,000 / 3,500,000 / / HSIP / 2,039,000 / 1,853,184 / / HIP / 600,000 / 500,000 /	CE 1 4 /22/2024	NR		No		1/17/2025	AH CR HR Green	NR	* NR * * * * * * * * * *
6 ELK GROVE VILL 220007800RS  3230	FAU1333 - Landmeier Rd 950 ft w/o IL 83 (Busse R to 50 ft e/o Cambridge Dr RESURFACING	932,970	03-20-0037 E1: / / / / E2: / / / / RW: / / / / C: FFY25 / STPL / 932,970 / 415,050 / / / / / / / / /				No		3/7/2025	AH CR Eng Enter	NR	* NR * * * * * * * * * *
7 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: / / / / C: FFY26 / STPL / 10,304,500 / 2,874,500 / / / 6,711,375 / / / / / /	CE 2 3 /17/2022	NR		Yes		11/7/2025	AH CR BLA	NR	* NR * * * * * * * * * *
8 PALATINE 190010500BR  3250	MS0505 - North Baldwin R Buffalo Creek  BRIDGE RECONSTRUCTION	1,034,000	03-19-0020 E1: FFY20 / BRPP / 128,100 / 102,480 / E2: FFY22 / BRP2 / 158,600 / 126,880 / RW: FFY23 / BRPR / 10,000 / 8,000 / C: FFY24 / BRP / 1,034,000 / 827,200 / / / / / / / / /	CE 1 12/8 /2021	NR		Yes		1/17/2025	AH CR Ciorba	NR	* NR * * * * * * * * * *

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9 ROLLING MEADOWS 190012300BT  3182	various - Eucltd/Hicks W of Vemont to Hicks to Euclid to N of Kirchoff BIKEWAYS	982,200	03-22-0002 E1: / / / / E2: FFY22 / STE2 / 162,000 / 129,600 / RW: FFY23 / STER / 96,000 / 48,000 / C: FFY25 / STE / 982,200 / 785,760 /	CE 1 9/10/2021	NR		Yes		1/17/2025	AH CR	NR	* NR * * * * * * * * * *
10 ROLLING MEADOWS 200012400CH  3213	FAP0339 - Algonquin Rd New Wilke Rd  INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENT	4,142,000	03-06-0006 E1: / / / / E2: FFY22 / STPL / 304,000 / 152,000 / RW: FFY23 / STPL / 70,000 / 35,000 / C: FFY24 / STPL / 4,142,000 / 3,313,000 /	CE 1 9/27/2021	NR		Yes		1/17/2024	AH CR CBBEL	NR	* NR * * * * * * * * * *
11 ROLLING MEADOWS 210012600PV  3290	MS6150 - Weber DR Central RD to Algonquin RD RECONSTRUCTION	2,251,200	03-20-0052 E1: / / / / E2: FFY24 / STPL / 241,200 / 99,000 / RW: / / / / C: FFY24 / STPL / 2,251,200 / 1,393,600 /	CE 2 12/12/2022			Yes	A 12/12/2022	6/13/2025	AH CR CBBEL	NR	* NR * * * * * * * * * *
12 SCHAUMBURG 180013100PV  2911	FAP0559 - Knollwood Dr Bode Rd to Golf Rd RECONSTRUCTION	3,821,250	03-19-0035 E1: / / / / E2: / / / / RW: / / / / C: MYB / STPL / 3,821,250 / 3,057,000 /	CE 1 10/12/2018	NR		No		7/31/2026	AH CR Thomas	NR	* NR * * * * * * * * * *





## Your feedback shapes our future!

**reVision** pace  
REIMAGINING THE FUTURE OF TRANSIT

Travel patterns have changed and Pace is changing with them. We are reimagining what our system looks like and we want your input. Three network concepts are available for your review! These concepts show three different ways Pace could provide improvement in transit service in northeastern Illinois.

We've crafted these with you in mind, so take a look and give us your feedback. What's the right balance to meet your needs and the region's priorities?

We invite you to attend our upcoming open houses. See details for each below:

Name	Date	Time	Location
Open House #1	11/20/24	5:30pm - 6:30pm	Zoom Webinar <a href="https://bit.ly/3NUpVaT">https://bit.ly/3NUpVaT</a> OR Scan the QR code to register
Open House #2	12/02/24	6:00pm - 7:30pm	In person Howard Mohr Community center 7640 Jackson Blvd, Forest Park, IL 60130
Open House #3	12/11/24	5:30pm - 7:00pm	In person Homewood Village Hall 2020 Chestnut Rd, Homewood, IL 60430

## We want to hear from you!

Visit: [PaceBus.com/ReVision](https://PaceBus.com/ReVision) to take our survey or scan the QR code to the right.



### What is the Pace ReVision plan?

Through ReVision, Pace is rethinking our entire network of services, building on the principles of accessibility, equity and productivity defined in the *Driving Innovation* strategic plan.

After months of planning, data collection and analysis, Pace's ReVision project team has released the transit network concepts. These concepts review and reimagine where and how often Pace routes should run, and what types of transit service are appropriate in different areas of the Chicagoland region. These ReVision concepts combine comprehensive technical analysis with an ongoing regional conversation about the values and priorities that stakeholders, riders, and the general public want the Pace network to reflect. Now that the network concepts are available for public review and comment, the next steps will be to gather input on the network concepts, after which the Pace team will propose a Draft Plan in mid-2025. After receiving public input on the Draft Plan, a Final Plan will be developed for implementation, which Pace intends to release for public feedback in late-2025.

### Objectives

The ReVision project is developing a proposal for a reimagined Pace bus and On Demand network, leading to major service changes starting in 2026. As our region emerges from the pandemic, we recognize that travel patterns have changed, and Pace needs to adjust to meet the needs of today's and tomorrow's society. We plan to update and modernize our service offerings to continue being a good steward of taxpayer resources while maximizing access to jobs, education, medical services, and other destinations.

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## Process

To meet these objectives, the project team has:

- Analyzed existing transit services, and relevant demographic and travel patterns.
- Developed and presented future network concepts, to illustrate both key trade-offs (such as the [ridership vs. coverage trade-off](#)) and the opportunities that could be opened up with new funding.

The next steps in the project are to:

- Gather public and stakeholder feedback on these concepts/alternatives and use this feedback to develop a Draft Plan.
- Gather public and stakeholder feedback on the Draft Plan and incorporate the feedback to develop a Final Plan for 2026.

Throughout the process, Pace staff across the organization will be engaged to ensure a viable plan and successful implementation of service changes.



## Timeline

Throughout 2024, Pace has evaluated existing data as well as feedback on unserved needs and formulated preliminary concepts of a modernized bus route network. Visit [PaceBus.com/ReVision](https://PaceBus.com/ReVision) to see them. We are now gathering public input on those network concepts, after which the Pace team will propose a Draft Plan. After receiving input on the Draft Plan, a Final Plan will be developed for implementation. The entire project timeline is 24 months.

## We want to hear from you!

To enhance Pace's transit network throughout the suburban Chicagoland area, Pace is gathering transportation suggestions from our stakeholders—riders, former riders, employers, advocates, business, and community leaders. We hope to gain valuable insights and ideas that can lead to more efficient and convenient bus routes and other transit options, while continuing to provide equitable and environmentally responsible transit options for the residents of the six counties and 274 municipalities we serve.

This initiative will help us find specific areas where improvements are needed, such as increasing bus frequency on certain routes, optimizing route planning, identifying new pickup and drop-off locations, and even adding other mobility options where none existed before. By involving the community in this process, we hope to create a more user-centered and responsive public transportation system that meets the diverse needs of area residents and today's society.

## What does this plan mean for me?

The restructuring of bus service will bring about many positive outcomes for our current riders, future riders, and communities. The primary benefits will be increased accessibility and convenience for a greater number of commuters. With improved routes, convenient operating hours, and better connectivity, more individuals will have access to reliable and affordable transportation options. Changes will help commuters reach their destinations efficiently and will reduce traffic congestion. Pace's eco-friendly goals will contribute to a greener environment by reducing carbon emissions. Upgraded buses equipped with modern amenities like Wi-Fi and charging ports will provide an improved travel experience for the public.

## How do I get involved?

Please tell us what you think about the future network concepts by [completing a survey](#), [attending a public open house](#), or [sending us a note](#). This next round of feedback will be evaluated and incorporated into the Draft Plan coming in 2025.

For project updates, visit [PaceBus.com/ReVision](https://PaceBus.com/ReVision)




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## November 2024 Update

### Regional transit budget presentations scheduled, final vote to be held in December

Each year, the RTA reviews, adopts, and monitors the annual operating budgets of CTA, Metra, and Pace. The process begins in earnest in the fall, when the Service Boards present their initial budget proposals to their boards and the public. A series of presentations has been scheduled throughout the region to review the [proposed 2025 regional operating budget and five-year capital program](#), which will be shared publicly on the RTA website on November 15. RTA staff will be available at public open houses following each of the presentations for members of the public to provide feedback. The first presentation was held in Cook County in October, and the remaining are scheduled as follows:

- DuPage County Board | Tuesday, Nov. 12 | 10 a.m. | DuPage Center Administration Building, County Board Room, 3rd Floor, 421 N. County Farm Rd., Wheaton
- Lake County Board | Tuesday, Nov. 12 | 9 a.m. | Lake County Board Office, 18 N. County Street, 10th Floor, Waukegan
- McHenry County Board | Thursday, Nov. 14 | 9 a.m. | McHenry County Administration Building, 667 Ware Rd., Woodstock
- Virtual Public Hearing | Tuesday, Dec. 3 | 4 p.m. | [Zoom](#)
- Kane County Board | Tuesday, Dec. 10 | 9:30 a.m. | Kane County Government Center, 719 S. Batavia Ave., Building A, Geneva
- Will County Board | Tuesday, Dec. 10 | 9 a.m. | Will County Board Office, 302 N. Chicago St., Joliet

The Service Boards will present their final budgets at the RTA's November 22 Board meeting once their public comment periods have concluded, and a final vote will be taken by the RTA Board of Directors on December 19. Previous regional budgets, capital plans, and other financial documents can be found on the [RTA website](#).




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## Four nominees from City of Chicago appointed to RTA Board

The Chicago City Council approved four out of five of Mayor Brandon Johnson's nominees to the RTA Board of Directors last month. The four appointees begin their terms immediately:

- Dennis J. Mondero, Executive Director, Chinese Mutual Aid Association
- Natasha E. Jenkins, Senior Attorney – Labor and Employment, Clark Hill
- Nora Cay Ryan, Chief of Staff, Chicago Federation of Labor
- Thomas Kotarac, Senior Vice President, Civic Committee of the Commercial Club of Chicago

## Suburban Transit Summit gathers regional leaders, advocates to weigh in on funding and reform

The RTA hosted a half-day [Suburban Transit Summit](#) in Arlington Heights on October 24 in partnership with Metra, Pace, and CTA. The event provided a forum to discuss the future of transit service in Chicago's suburbs with a diverse audience of state legislators, transit agency leadership and staff, local officials, the business community, advocates, and riders. Attendees learned about ongoing agency plans to transform suburban transit through network revitalization and new connections, and how these plans are interconnected to provide regional benefit.

Lessons learned from the Suburban Transit Summit's panel discussions and breakout sessions will carry forward in the RTA's work in advocating for \$1.5 billion in annual systemwide operations funding and governance reform that strengthens the agency's authority on service standards, fare policy, and capital project prioritization. Portions of the event were recorded and will be made available to attendees and published online, as well as a full report with recommendations from the event.



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### **Riders are encouraged to provide feedback on RTA system performance data dashboards**

The CTA, Metra, and Pace publish a variety of operational performance data for the region's transit system – including information on staffing, service delivery, and safety as required by state law. The [CTA](#), [Metra](#), and [Pace](#) webpages are updated monthly with key performance indicators and riders can directly provide feedback to them on each of their dashboards. In addition to the [RTA Mapping and Statistics \(RTAMS\)](#) portal, the RTA hosts a new [Chicago Region Transit Dashboard](#) with further regional statistics. Riders are encouraged to provide any comments to [communications@rtachicago.org](mailto:communications@rtachicago.org).