

16111 Nelson Road Woodstock, IL 60098

### MCHENRY COUNTY COUNCIL OF MAYORS **AGENDA**

Thursday, March 17, 2022 9:00 AM

> Virtual Meeting **Teams Link**

1. **CALL TO ORDER** 

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T: 815.334.4642

**BULL VALLEY** 

CARY

**CRYSTAL LAKE** 

FOX RIVER GROVE

**GREENWOOD** 

HARVARD

**HEBRON** 

**HOLIDAY HILLS** 

HUNTLEY

**JOHNSBURG** 

LAKE IN THE HILLS

**LAKEMOOR** 

**LAKEWOOD** 

**MARENGO** 

McCULLOM LAKE

**McHENRY** 

**OAKWOOD HILLS** 

PORT BARRINGTON

**PRAIRIE GROVE** 

**RICHMOND RINGWOOD** 

**SPRING GROVE** 

**TROUT VALLEY** 

**WONDER LAKE** 

UNION

**ALGONQUIN BARRINGTON HILLS** 2.

> 3. **PUBLIC COMMENT** 4. **AGENCY REPORTS**

> > A. IDOT Highway Report – Katie Herdus B. Pace Report – Jessica Rybarczyk

C. Metra Update – Katie Renteria

D. RTA Update - RTA Staff

E. McHenry County Division of Transportation Update – Scott Hennings

F. Illinois Tollway Update – Kelsey Passi

G. IDOT STP Local Program Update – Gerardo Fierro

Roll Call/Introductions (Sign-In Sheet)

Agenda Changes/Announcements

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – JANUARY 13, 2022

H. CMAP Report - Kama Dobbs

5. **APPROVAL - MCHENRY COUNTY CONNECTION** 

> Presentation on the final draft document will be provided at this A. meeting.

> B. Plan has been posted to MCCOM website and is accessible here: https://www.mchenrycountycom.org/bike-ped-plan/

C. Action Requested: Approval

MCHENRY COUNTY COUNCIL OF MAYORS SURFACE TRANSPORTATION 6. PROGRAM – LOCAL: STAFF RECOMMENDED PROGRAM

Revisions to STP-L program Α. Action Requested: Approval В.

7. **DISCUSSION - INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT AND JOBS ACT** 

Action Requested: Information

PLANNING LIAISON REPORT

STP-L Application Questions and Frequently Asked Questions A.

STP-L Applications are due to the Planning Liaison no later than В. 4:30pm March 18th, 2022.

9. OTHER BUSINESS / ANNOUCEMENTS

10. **NEXT MEETING DATE AND LOCATION** 

> A. Thursday, May 19, 2022

9:00 am: Location: TBD B.

**ADJOURNMENT** 11.

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WOODSTOCK

McHENRY COUNTY

# MCHENRY COUNTY COUNCIL OF MAYORS MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, January 13, 2022 9:00 AM Teams Meeting

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Mack called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

A. Roll Call/Introductions

The meeting had a quorum (minimum of 7 members).

#### **Council Members Present:**

- 1. Village of Algonquin Bob Mitchard
- 2. Village of Barrington Hills Brian Cecola
- 3. Village of Bull Valley Emily Berendt
- 4. Village of Cary Erik Morimoto
- 5. City of Crystal Lake Abby Wilgreen
- 6. Village of Huntley Tim Farrell
- 7. Village of Johnsburg Claudett Sofiakis
- 8. Village of Lake in the Hills Fred Mullard
- 9. Village of Ringwood Rick Mack, Chair
- 10. Village of Spring Grove Mike Lee
- 11. City of Woodstock Christina Betz
- 12. McHenry County Scott Hennings

#### Staff Present:

- 1. McHenry County Council of Mayors Jazmin Vega, Planning Liaison
- 2. McHenry County Council of Mayors Jon Paul Diipla, Executive Director

#### 2. MINUTES APPROVAL

Approval of the minutes for the November 18, 2022, McHenry County Council of Mayors meeting. Ms. Berendt noted item #5 in the November 18, 2021, agenda regarding the reallocated of the funds. A motion on the 2<sup>nd</sup> was made but a vote was not included at the end of the section. Mr. Hennings clarified that it was an informational item. A motion was made by Ms. Berendt and seconded by to approve the minutes with the amendment.

#### 3. PUBLIC COMMENT

Ms. Donner recognized her attendance as a public guest. She identified Mr. Andrews as a PACE representative for the meeting.

#### 4. AGENCY REPORTS

- A. IDOT Highway Report Katie Herdus Not present, no report
- B. Pace Report Steven Andrews

Mr. Andrews, Pace Community Relations Representative, provided a Pace report. While Pace is seeking a new representative, coordination needs will go to Mr. Andrews in the until a permanent assignment is determined. Pace's goal for this year includes beginning the electrification of Pace's North fleet, with goal of converting entire division by 2026. Pace is gradually working to implement new service and exploring pilot programs with transportation networks. Pace will be continuing capital program. Pace will continue to focus on recruitment with hiring plan for bus operators and maintenance. Pace is seeking opportunities to participate and partner with agencies in local job fairs. Pace's COVID response page is updated regularly with operational changes.

Mr. Andrews announced the changes in Pace's fare policy. CTA changed pricing in joint Pace / CTA passes. Pace 30-day pass is now reduced to \$75, and CTA 7-day pass is reduced to \$25. Pace is accepting lower prices and this effective immediately.

Mr. Hennings thanked Pace for the productive 2022 Pace budget intergovernmental agreement process. He noted the large infusion of funding in MC Dial-a-Ride program and formally thanked the work of Pace and other municipalities that participated in this process. He asked the committee if anyone had any other ideas to improve public transit and to reach out to him or Jon Paul Diipla.

#### C. Metra Update – Katie Renteria

Ms. Renteria reported that 2021 Metra ridership is at 9% of 2019 ridership numbers. Throughout the year, ridership grew to 25% in September, 26% in October, and 27% in November. December ridership has not yet been reported but expected to end at approximately 27% ridership. Ms. Renteria reported the slight dip in numbers, but that this is typical in this time of the year. November brought 8 of the highest ridership days since the start of the pandemic.

Ms. Renteria announced that beginning February 1<sup>st</sup>, \$6 all day passes will be available for purchase which are valid for unlimited rides for 3 zones in one day. The current \$10 pass will only be available via Ventra app starting February 1<sup>st</sup>.

D. RTA Update – RTA Staff Not present, no report

E. McHenry County Division of Transportation Update – Ben Redding Mr. Redding reported on Algonquin's Flashing Yellow Arrow project. This project is the first flashing yellow arrow project brought to McHenry County. It is the first of three projects beginning in the next few years.

Mr. Redding informed attendees about roundabout training where an outside consultant will host a series of scheduled trainings, expected to begin in the next several months. He announced that Traffic Engineer, Brad Cousin, is back in the office to help with requests. Mr. Reddings last day in with MCDOT will be January 21, 2022.

#### F. Illinois Tollway Update – Kelsey Passi

Ms. Passi shared the Illinois Tollway's 2021 accomplishments. They aided more than 25,000 customers in emergency roadside services, served more than 2million customers with payby-plate service and expanded the Ipass assist program. Illinois Tollway completed their 10<sup>th</sup> year of Move Illinois and developed the balance 2022 budget with 1.49 billion in revenue.

#### G. CMAP Report – Mary Weber

Ms. Weber announced CMAP has established a hybrid work schedule while the CMAP office is open daily. Meeting material can now be found on CMAP's Legistar page as well as the CMAP home page. The Regional Speed Data project will begin this spring. While new census data has not been released since November, 2021, local governments can request that their boundaries and housing counts by block be reviewed.

## 5. MCHENRY COUNTY COUNCIL OF MAYORS SURFACE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM – LOCAL: FY2023-FY2027 CALL FOR PROJECTS OPENING

Mr. Diipla presented on the Surface Transportation Program- Local Call for Projects. He noted that MCCOM is now accepting applications until March 18<sup>th</sup>. He provided a brief overview of presentation highlighting the application as well as the process. The information will be posted the McHenry County Council of Mayors website for reference for organizations who chose to apply for the funds.

The following topics were presented on by Mr. Diipla:

- Background information
- McHenry County's allotment for FY 2023- FY 2027
- Instructions for applying
  - Eligible Requirements
  - Eligible Project Types
  - Eligible Route
  - Eligible Phases
- Application process
  - Requirements
- Timeline
- Project scoring and ranking
- Active Program Management (APM)
  - Requirements

Mr. Mitchard asked when the last time the council considered increasing the \$1.5 STP-L funding limit per project. He also asked if there was consideration of increasing the limit due to higher construction and material costs. Mr. Diipla explained that \$1.5 million cap was in place in the previous call for projects and the current methodology adopted by the council at the July 15, 2021 meeting affirmed this amount. He would need to verify when the funding cap was enacted. Mr. Mitchard sought clarification on whether the funding cap was consistent in other counties. Ms. Weber answered that different councils set different constraints in terms of max amount of funding. Mr. Mack added if allocation were to get too high, it may cut down on the number of projects that may be funded in the program. Mr. Mitchard then asked if there was

any anticipation when more federal money may flow into the program. Ms. Weber said there is expected to be more money but can not say when or how much per council will receive at the moment. She expects 2026 and 2027 should increase but CMAP does not have good estimates of how much. She noted the importance of contingency programs so when additional funding is made available, those projects may move up in the program.

#### 6. MCHENRY COUNTY CONNECTION BIKE PLAN-FINAL DRAFT PRESENTATION

Mr. Diipla reported that the final draft plan has been provided by WSP. After the meeting, the materials will be posted to the MCCOM website. WSP will be present during the final overview of the plan at the March 17 meeting. The material posted to the website will be considered draft until the plan is considered for adoption at the March 17 meeting. He thanked the committee for their contributions to the plan.

#### 7. DISCUSSION - MCHENRY COUNTY MOVES 2050 PLAN

Mr. Diipla reported that the current survey will close January 14<sup>th</sup> at which time the phase I engagement report coordination will begin. McHenry County Division of Transportation is coordinating with consultant team HDR to develop that. The report is anticipated to be completed early February, where it will be presented at the McHenry County Transportation Committee meeting. It will be posted to the project website. Later this Spring, strategies and coordination will begin to address engagement report and elements of the plan. Overall transportation plan scheduled to be completed by June 2023. Mr. Diipla will continue to provide updates to Council of Mayors.

#### 8. PLANNING LIAISON REPORT

Ms. Vega introduced herself as the new Planning Liaison for the McHenry County Council of Mayors. She reported that there is a remaining STP-L balance for FY 2022. She requested project sponsors for existing projects in 2022 to contact her or Mr. Diipla with any questions about the process.

#### 9. OTHER BUSINESS / ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### 10. NEXT MEETING DATE AND LOCATION

**11.** The next meeting is March 17, 2022 and will be held likely be held virtually.

#### 12. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Mitchard motioned to adjourn; Mr. Cecola seconded. There was no roll call vote. Chairman Mack adjourned the meeting at 9:51 a.m.

#### **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

Name	Community	Vote
Bob Mitchard	Village of Algonquin	APPROVE
Brian Cecola	Village of Barrington Hills	NOT PRESENT
Emily Berendt	Village of Bull Valley	APPROVE
Claudett Sofiakis	Village of Johnsburg	APPROVE
Erik Morimoto	Village of Cary	APPROVE
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Fred Mullard	Village of Lake in the Hills	NOT PRESENT
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Mike Lee	Village of Spring Grove	APPROVE
Christina Betz	City of Woodstock	APPROVE
Scott Hennings	McHenry County	APPROVE

March 11, 2022

# McHenry County Council of Mayors Management Monitoring Schedule FY 2022-2027 Proposed Highway Improvement Program

Target lettings for projects in the MYP are contingent upon contract plan readiness, land acquisition and funding availability through our future annual legislative appropriations.

Katie Herdus, Area Programmer Phone : (847) 705-4090 FAX: (847) 705-4666

E-mail: katherine. Herdus@illinois.gov

## **Illinois Department of Transportation MANAGEMENT MONITORING SCHEDULE**

**DATE:** March 11, 2022

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Katie Herdus, Area Programmer, 847/705-4090

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System/Reports/OP&P/HIP/2022-2027/2022-2027%20MYP%20Book%20-%20Draft%20Internet%20Version.pdf

PROJECTS & LIMITS	SCOPE OF WORK	(000)	DESIGN APPROVAL DATE	RIGHT-OF- WAY REQUIRED	TARGET FOR CONTRACT TO BE AVAILABLE FOR LETTING (*SEE NOTE BELOW)	FISCAL YEAR FUNDS AVAILABLE	COMMENTS
US 14: N of Oak Grove Rd to Crowley Rd	Ultra-Thin Overlay	\$1000 NHPP	PS\$E	NO	11/2021 Letting	MYP	1-80609-0000 Awarded 11/18/2021 \$322,357.69 Contractor: Peter Baker & Son Co.
US 14 At Ditch South of State Line	Culvert Replacement	<b>\$485</b> NHPP	E12/31/20	NO	Early Years MYP	MYP	1-80346-0000 Harvard
US 14 at Hartland Rd / Hughes Rd	Intersection Reconstruction	\$2,700 HSIP	E12/31/21	TBD	Middle Years MPY	MYP	1-80242-0000 Woodstock
US 14: W of Hartland to E of IL 47	SMART Overlay	\$3,650 NHPP	PS&E	NO	3/2022 Letting	MYP	1-80606-0000 Woodstock
US 14: Crystal Lake Ave to Teckler Blvd	SMART Overlay	\$1,720 NHPP	PS&E	NO	1/2022 Letting	MYP	1-80518-0000 Crystal Lake Awarded 2/08/2022 \$3,474,966.92 Curran Contracting Company Contract 62N44
US 14: E of Teckler Blvd to Pingree Rd	SMART Overlay	\$1,300 NHPP	PS&E	NO	1/2022 Letting	MYP	1-80605-0000 Crystal Lake Contract 62N44
US 14 Spring Beach Way to Lake Co. Line	Standard Overlay, Pedestrian Ramps/ADA	\$2,275 NHPP	PS&E	TBD	Later Years MYP	MYP	1-78256-0000 Cary
US 20: Page St to Locust Rd	Designed Overlay	\$500 NHPP	PS&E	NO	Middle Years MYP	MYP	1-80899-0000 Marengo
IL 23 @ Drainage Ditch (0.1 Mi. N of IL 176)	Culvert Replacement	\$820 NHPP	E12/31/17	TBD	Middle Years MYP	MYP	1-78875-0000 Marengo

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IL 31 Richmond Rd: Johnsburg Rd to McCullum Lake Rd	SMART Overlay	\$2,169 NHPP	PS&E	NO	1/2022 Letting	MYP	1-80603-0000 McHenry / Ringwood Awarded 2/8/2022 \$1,824,328.78 Peter Baker & Son. Co Contract 62N56
IL 31 (Front St): S of IL 120 to N of IL 176	Additional Lanes, Reconstruction	\$75,500 NHPP	2/21/2020	YES	Later Years MYP	MYP	1-75939-0200 McHenry, Prairie Grove, Crystal Lake
IL 47: N of IL 120 to US 14	Additional Lanes, Reconstruction	\$38,600 NHPP	4/11/19	YES	Middle Years MYP	MYP	1-90013-1000 Woodstock
IL 47 At IL 176 & at Pleasant Valley Rd	Intersection Reconstruction	\$35,000 NHPP	6/29/16	YES	Middle Years MYP	MYP	1-79372-0000 Woodstock
IL 47 (Main St): Ware Rd to S of IL 173	SMART Overly	\$2,666 NHPP	PS&E	No			
IL 47: S of Thayer Rd to Charles	Ultra-Thin Overlay	\$2,500 NHPP	PS&E	NO	Early Years MYP	MYP	1-80847-0000
IL 62: at Spring Creek W, of IL 59	Bridge Replacement	\$5,630 NHPP	TBD	TBD	Later Years MYP	MYP	1-79901-0000 Algonquin
IL 68: New Sutton Rd to W of Quentin Rd	Crack & Joint Sealing	\$300 NHPP	PS&E	NO	Early Years MYP	MYP	1-80852-0000 Inverness
IL 173: Alden Rd to Greenwood Rd	Designed Overlay, Pedestrian Ramps/ADA, RR Flagger, Drainage	\$6,000 NHPP	PS&E	TBD	Middle Years MYP	MYP	1-79512-0000 Hebron, Richmond
IL 173: Greenwood Rd to Lake Co. Line	Designed Overlay, Pedestrian Ramps/ADA, RR Flagger, Drainage	\$5,300 NHPP	PS&E	TBD	Middle Years MYP	MYP	1-79512-0000 Hebron, Richmond

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IL 173 at North Branch Nippersink (E of Hunt Club Rd)	Culvert Repair	\$375 NHPP	TBD	TBD	Middle Years MYP	MYP	1-80080-0000 McHenry County
IL 173 @ Solon Rd & At Lakeview	Channelization	\$1,500 NHPP	TBD	Yes	Middle Years MYP	MYP	1-79700-0000 McHenry County
IL 173: Drainage Ditch 1.7 MI E of US 12/ILL 31	Culvert Replacement	\$250 NHPP	TBD	TBD	Middle Years MYP	MYP	1-79408-0000 McHenry County
IL 176 at Buhl Rd & at Bay View Beach Rd	Left Turn Lanes	\$1,800 HSIP	E10/01/22	TBD	Middle Years MYP	MYP	1-80237-0000 McHenry County

IDOT District 1 Construction Update Report - <a href="http://www.idot.illinois.gov/about-idot/idot-regions/r1-construction-update-report">http://www.idot.illinois.gov/about-idot/idot-regions/r1-construction-update-report</a> Construction Releases - <a href="http://www.idot.illinois.gov/about-idot/stay-connected/news-releases/Construction/releases">http://www.idot.illinois.gov/about-idot/stay-connected/news-releases/Construction/releases</a>

For information regarding the status of ongoing major construction projects or ongoing major Phase I studies, information can be located at the following link <a href="http://www.idot.illinois.gov/transportation-system/transportation-management/featured-projects/index">http://www.idot.illinois.gov/transportation-system/transportation-management/featured-projects/index</a>

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Selections: RCO: 11 Engineer:
Fund: Tip Fund:

## LOCAL ROADS & STREETS STATUS SHEET FOR FEDERAL AID PROJECTS

Tip Fund: 11 LOCATED IN THE CMAP MC HENRY REGIONAL COUNCIL Project Route/ Current CE3 Design Appv ROW Req Plans to CO Target Let/ E1/E2 Jntagmt Cd A-95 Review Local Agency/ T.I.P. NO. Environ-Public CD Low Bid/ Dt STATE \* NIPC Requested CDCertified Consultant Section From/ Estimate FFY/Fund/Cost/Fed Cost/Authorized mental Hearing RR Agmt Cd To/ DT Award Date Approval Status DTCD Dt Scope of Work 1/ Award Amt Est/Act CD DT 404 Permit Cd Scope of Work 2/ Record id DT 1 ALGONQUIN NR - Main St 2,049,000 CE 1 NR \* NR 11-13-0007 1/1/2024 ΑH Yes 160009000PV E1: CR Railroad St 6 /7 /2017 CBBEL NR to Edwards St 0 / RECONSTRUCTION E2: No RW: REMARKS: Stage 1 (Bridge) under 16-00090-01-BR using STP-L. Let 3/9/2018. Roadway unfunded (8-13-21). C: MYB 2,049,000 / 2777 2 ALGONQUIN Var - Var-See Notes CE 1 NR NR \* NR 3,905,895 11-21-0008 AΗ No 6/17/2022 170009200PV CR E1: 9 /29/2021 HR Green NR 0 / RECONSTRUCTION E2: DRAINAGE; BIKEWAY No RW: REMARKS: Oceola Trl; Schuett St; Scott St; Souwanas Trl. C: FFY22 / STPL 1,500,000 / 3,905,895 / 3104 3 MCHENRY CO CE 1 NR NR \* NR - Alg / Wilmot АН 724,700 11-18-0002 3/11/2022 180048000TL CR E1: FFY19 / HSIP Haligus to Pyott 140,000 / 4 /29/2020 126,000 / CBBEL NR to at Main HSIP 44,800 40320 / SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS E2: No RW: REMARKS: Combining 2 HSIP's. Item No. 98. C: FFY21 / HSIP 578,340 / 642,600 / / HSIP 82,100 / 73,890 / 2874 4 SPRING GROVE NR FAU0157 - Winn Rd CE 1 NR \* NR 1,662,500 11-21-0012 No 1/19/2024 ΑH CR 210001800RS IL 173 E1: 7 /23/2021 HR Green NR to Main St 0 / RESURFACING E2: No RW: C: FFY24 / STPL / 1,662,500 / 1,330,000 / REMARKS: 3099

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Selections: RCO: 11 Engineer:

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#### FOR MORE INFORMATION:

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#### Pace Suburban Bus Employment Opportunities

Pace Bus is hiring bus operators and mechanics at our facilities across the suburbs to ensure that we can provide the level of bus service that our regional economy depends on. We seek your help in passing these opportunities along to your constituents who might be interested in a rewarding career in public service with great benefits. Working for Pace has many advantages:

- Competitive starting pay
- Paid on-the-job and on-going training
- Promotion from within
- Working close to home
- Health insurance benefits
- Retirement benefits
- Paid vacation and other paid time off
- Safe, clean work environment

If there are any opportunities to help Pace promote these openings, whether by including a message in an upcoming constituent newsletter, posting the attached flyer at your office(s), or making us aware of any upcoming job fairs that we can participate in, we would appreciate it. Applications can be found at PaceBus.com/Careers. Thank you for your help!

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Americans with Disabilities Act transition plan and self-evaluation training. More information can be found here.

Staff Contact: Penny DuBernat, Procurement Officer

#### **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 included a local government component that 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 to be fully or partially funded with CRRSAA funding. The Regional CRRSAA Program Status Report and Regional CRRSAA Accounting Summary were updated in February 2022.

Staff Contact: Kama Dobbs (312-386-8710)

#### **Surface Transportation Program**

The next <u>STP Project Selection Committee</u> meeting will be held on **April 14, 2022**. <u>Meeting materials</u> will be posted on CMAP's Legistar page one week in advance. 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 <u>STP web page</u>.

Staff Contact: Kama Dobbs (312-386-8710)

The region's 11 Councils of Mayors and the City of Chicago are accepting applications through March for Surface Transportation Program projects for federal fiscal years 2023-2027. Projects may include maintenance, modernization, and expansion of the region's highways, bikeways, pedestrian, and transit systems.

More information about each of these unique programs is available on <u>CMAP's Surface Transportation</u> Program web page. Questions should be sent to the listed contact for each council.

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

The next CMAQ Project Selection Committee (PSC) meeting will be held on **April 14, 2022**. <u>Meeting materials</u> will be posted on CMAP's Legistar page one week in advance. Project change requests, including schedule and cost changes, to be considered for approval by the committee, are due **March 31, 2022**. Information for submitting change requests can be found on CMAP's <u>CMAQ web page</u>.

Staff Contact: <a href="Doug Ferguson">Doug Ferguson</a> (312-386-8824)

#### **Regional Safety Action Agenda**

CMAP is continuing its work to improve traffic safety and address the growing number of fatalities and injuries. Staff is wrapping up a policy paper on speed management and continuing work on a bicycle and pedestrian safety policy paper. Our Safety Resource Group met for the third time in October to discuss the initial recommendations for speed management and will convene again this spring to discuss implementation steps and initial bicycle and pedestrian safety recommendations. Three LTA safety projects are in progress in Calumet City, Bellwood and Riverdale to address multimodal traffic safety at intersections and along corridors. The Regional Speed Data project will begin this spring, which will

analyze speed probe data to understand patterns of speeding and target countermeasures. An update on the group's work was presented at the January 25, 2022 Council of Mayors meeting.

Staff Contact: Victoria Barrett

#### **CMAP Products and Data**

#### **Examining the prevalence of local development incentives**

Local governments often use tax incentives to encourage development and strengthen their communities. But there can be drawbacks. ON TO 2050, the region's comprehensive plan, <u>calls for incentive reform</u> that will improve the transparency and effectiveness of these tools.

A new CMAP report, <u>Local development tax incentives</u> in northeastern Illinois, provides analysis on the prevalence of local incentives in the region. The report focuses on common types of incentives, including sales tax rebates, incentive classification systems, property tax abatements, and tax increment financing. It also recommends ways to reduce the need for incentives in the region and improve their use where they prove necessary.

The <u>findings</u> highlight the importance of using the best practices identified in CMAP's guide Improving local development incentives.

#### **Community Data Snapshots**

In August 2021, CMAP updated its <u>Community Data Snapshots</u> with <u>new data from the 2020 Census</u>. These data-rich snapshots — one for each of the region's 284 municipalities, 77 Chicago neighborhoods, and seven counties — summarize demographics, housing, employment, transportation habits, and other key details. They help local leaders and the public track progress and make informed decisions in their communities.

The 2021 census data has been incorporated into the General Population Characteristics table, which includes information on total population, total households, average household size, and percent population change since 2010 and 2000. Raw data, including more detail, is available on the <a href="Data Hub">Data Hub</a>.

#### **From Our Partners**

#### **RTA Launches Online Portal for Reduced, Free Ride Permits**

The RTA launched Fare Programs Online, a web-based portal for reduced fare and ride free permits for seniors and customers with disabilities. The portal aims to increase access to these programs. Apply, replace, and renew at <a href="Fares.RTAChicago.org">Fares.RTAChicago.org</a>.

#### **Improving ADA paratransit services**

Pace has launched its <u>DuPage Access Program</u>, a pilot project with Uber to improve transportation for passengers eligible for Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) paratransit services. The new program allows passengers to book trips (up to \$30) using the Uber app as an alternative option to dedicated paratransit services. ADA-eligible passengers who don't use a smartphone also can take advantage of the program by reserving by phone.

#### **Funding Opportunities**

#### **2022 RAISE Grants**

On January 27, 2022 a <u>Notice of Funding Opportunity</u> was posted for Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) grants.

Fiscal Year 2022 RAISE grants are for capital investments in surface transportation infrastructure projects and will be awarded on a competitive basis to projects that will have a significant local or regional impact. The Department seeks to fund projects that reduce greenhouse gas emissions and are designed with specific elements to address climate change impacts.

Applications must be submitted by **5:00 PM Eastern on April 14, 2022** through Grants.gov. RAISE grant program staff can be contacted via e-mail at <a href="mailto:RAISEgrants@dot.gov">RAISEgrants@dot.gov</a>.

#### 2023 Statewide Planning and Research (SPR) Funds

The Illinois Department of Transportation announced today that \$10 million is available to distribute as grants for select projects and activities that help advance the state's long-range transportation and planning goals. The deadline to apply is **March 30**.

Applicants can include local and state agencies, metropolitan planning organizations, regional planning commissions and nonprofit entities with public sponsors. To receive the grants, successful applicants must agree to provide a funding match of 20%. Proposals that benefit disadvantaged or economically distressed communities will be given priority consideration and are eligible for full funding. Learn more and apply <a href="here">here</a>.

#### 2022 Invest in Cook call for projects

The Cook County Department of Transportation and Highways has announced a sixth round of Invest in Cook funding. The \$8.5 million grant program covers some of the cost of planning and feasibility studies, engineering, right-of-way acquisition, and construction associated with transportation improvements sponsored by local and regional governments and private partners. This program is seeking applications for improvements consistent with the five priorities of <a href="Connecting Cook County">Connecting Cook County</a>.

The 2022 application period for Invest in Cook ends **Wednesday, March 16**. More information about the program and application as well as recordings from the virtual workshops can be found <a href="mailto:here">here</a>. Direct any questions to 312-603-1223 or <a href="mailto:investincook.CC@cookcountyil.gov">investincook.CC@cookcountyil.gov</a>.

#### **Other Opportunities**

#### March Illinois Affordable Housing Forum

Join the Illinois Housing Coalition for the Illinois Affordable Housing Forum. This hybrid conference will include educational sessions streamed online and one day of limited in-person activities and networking. Virtual sessions for all attendees will take place from Tuesday, March 22, to Thursday, March 24. Inperson conference activities will follow on Thursday, March 31, with sessions streamed online for attendees. Registration closes **Thursday, March 10**.

#### **Public Input**

#### Chicago seeks comments on its climate action plan

The City of Chicago is updating its climate goals to reduce carbon emissions with a strong focus on increasing household savings, advancing environmental justice, and improving community health. With historic investments coming in 2022, the city would like to know what is most important to community members. Share your thoughts on the Chicago climate action plan.

#### CMAP Updates – March 7, 2022

Plans that reflect the values and priorities of their communities require meaningful public participation from residents and stakeholders. The <a href="Engage with CMAP">Engage with CMAP</a> website allows residents to share their thoughts, ideas, and concerns on current planning projects in the region, including these recently launched projects: <a href="Butterfield Road Corridor Plan">Butterfield Road Corridor Plan</a> in Lombard, Downers Grove, Oak Brook and DuPage County and <a href="Phoenix Planning Priorities">Phoenix Planning Priorities</a> in the Village of Phoenix. Stay informed and connected by checking out the site. We look forward to hearing from you!



## **VISION STATEMENT**



"The McHenry County Connection aspires to establish a regional active transportation network that will build community equity, provide access for all pedestrians and cyclist, and support commuting, recreation, and tourism."

## **PROJECT GOALS**



- Building the COMMUNITY & EQUITY around the multi-modal, transportation system.
   PEOPLE
- Increasing CONNECTIVITY & SAFETY throughout communities and neighborhoods.
   ROUTES
- Promoting the **ECONOMY & TOURISM** of the natural and built environment.
   **WAYFINDING**
- Improving HEALTH & EDUCATION of users and groups of all ages and abilities.
   PROGRAMMING
- Embracing SUSTAINABILITY & DESIGN on future implementation projects.
   FACILITIES
- Simplifying MANAGEMENT & MAINTENANCE of system assets.
   OPERATIONS

## FRAMEWORK: EXISTING

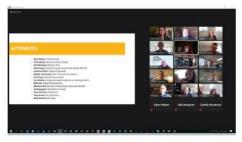




- 11 miles of on-road facilities
- 404 miles of off-road facilities (doesn't include facilities in parks/conservation areas)
- 487 miles of roadways with sidewalks on both sides; 160 miles of roadways with sidewalks on one side
- 10 bike shops
- 14 parking lots providing bike access

## PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT: ADVISORY COMMITTEE





Advisory Committee Meeting #1 Screenshot

#### Meeting #1 November 16, 2020

Discussion focused on introducing the project, providing information concerning existing conditions, and eliciting feedback on the engagement process and potential visions, goals, and branding. Input provided helped establish the project's vision and goals which guided the remainder of the planning process.



Advisory Committee Meeting #2 Screenshot

#### Meeting #2 January 22, 2021

Discussion focused on sharing conclusions drawn from the previous Advisory Committee meeting, results of public outreach conducted thus far, and sharing a draft presentation of the upcoming public meeting. Input on issues and ideas was gathered.



Advisory Committee Meeting #3 Screenshot

#### Meeting #3 May 4, 2021

Discussion focused on the recommended facilities, connections between downtown centers and populations, the plan's vision, and potential routes. The Advisory Committee members provided feedback and minor modifications to incorporate into an updated presentation for the second public meeting.



Advisory Committee Meeting #4 Screenshot

#### Meeting #4 October 15, 2021

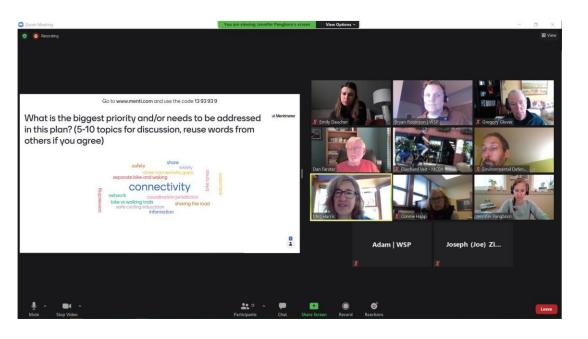
Discussion focused on final plan wrap and consensus and helping to identify any countywide priorities. The previous public engagement and refinement to the recommendations were shared. Priorities were ranked to identify in the final plan section for next steps.

# Four Advisory Committee meetings were convened with members from:

- Active Transportation Alliance
- City of Harvard
- City of McHenry
- CMAP
- Consultant
- Heartland Realtor Organization
- McHenry County Bicycle Advocates
- McHenry County College
- McHenry County Conservation District
- McHenry County Department of Public Health
- McHenry County Planning & Development
- McHenry County Division of Transportation
- Northwestern Medicine
- Ride Illinois
- Village of Bull Valley
- Village of Cary
- Village of Johnsburg
- Village of Lakewood
- Village of Spring Grove
- Visit McHenry County

## PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT: FOCUS GROUPS





The project team met in small groups with representatives from different groups and cities around the County. Discussion topics varied from group to group but included formulating and prioritizing recommendations and considering partnering on future projects.

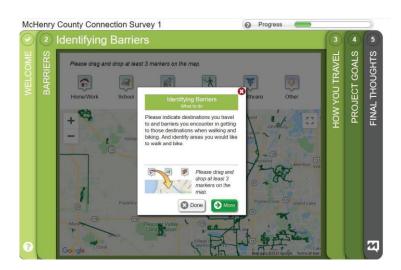
- MCDOT (12/14/2020)
- McHenry County Bicycle Club/
- McHenry County Environmental Defenders/
- McHenry County Bicycle Advocates (12/18/2020)
- City of Harvard (5/3/2021)
- City of Marengo (5/3/2021)
- City of McHenry
- Village of Johnsburg/
- Village of Ringwood (5/3/2021)
- Village of Spring Grove (5/7/2021)
- Village of Wonder Lake (5/7/2021)
- City of Crystal Lake/
- Village of Lake in the Hills (6/1/2021)
- Village of Algonquin/
- Village of Huntley (6/1/2021)
- IDOT (8/6/2021)
- Village of Bull Valley (8/6/2021)
- McHenry Conservation District

## PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT: MEETINGS & SURVEYS



## Public Surveys

- The first survey was available from January 2021 to February 2021. The survey received 721 visitors with 290 people participating in the survey.
- The second survey was available in June 2021. An interactive map was provided showing preliminary biking and walking facility recommendations. The survey received 1,229 visitors with 519 people participating.
- The third and final survey was available from October 2021 to November 2021. The survey received 298 respondents.

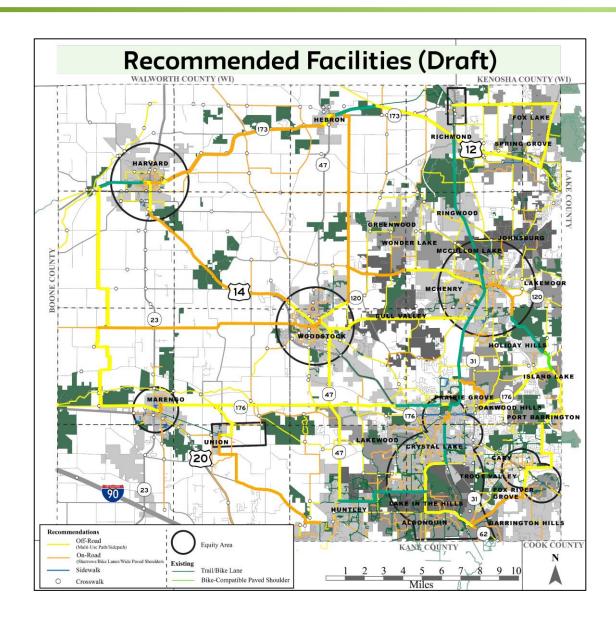


## Public Meetings

- Two virtual public meetings were conducted during the project to collect input from attendees and provide insight on the goals, issues, ideas, and recommendations:
  - The first virtual public meeting took place on January 27, 2021. The subject matter of the meeting focused on providing the draft goals and existing conditions, sharing public engagement tools, and eliciting feedback concerning attendee's biking and walking habits. More than 80 people were in attendance.
  - The second virtual public meeting took place on May 12, 2021. The project team presented results of outreach conducted thus far, including stakeholder's preferences by facility type.

## FRAMEWORK: FACILITIES MAP





- Built around the vision of the "Loop" preferred by the community; with a focus on linking municipal centers.
- Developed primary, secondary, and tertiary connections.
- Priority facilities connect highdemand locations across McHenry County.
- Established typologies that can apply to both on-road and off-road
- Focused on linking to "equity" areas as identified through the analysis for funding potential.

## FRAMEWORK: TYPOLOGIES



## **✓** Urbanized Corridor

- ✓ UC-I-A (Type A: Typical Buffered)
- ✓ UC-I-B (Type B:Typical Separated)
- ✓UC-2 (Typical)
- **✓** Neighborhood Corridor
  - ✓ NC (Typical)
- ✓ Multi-Use Path
  - ✓ MP (Typical)
- **✓** Rural Corridor
  - ✓ RC-A (Type A: Typical On-Road)
  - ✓ RC-B (Type B: Typical Off-Road)

- √ Rail With Trail
  - ✓ RWT (Typical)
- **✓ Rural Trail** 
  - ✓ RT (Typical)
- **✓ Urbanized Crossing** 
  - ✓UC (Typical)
- **✓ Rural Crossing** 
  - ✓UC (Typical)



## ✓ Urbanized Corridor Type I (UC-I-A) – Typical Buffered





## **✓** Urbanized Corridor Type I (UC-I-B) – Typical Separated





## **✓** Urbanized Corridor Type I (UC-I-B) – Typical Separated





## ✓ Neighborhood Corridor (NC) – Typical



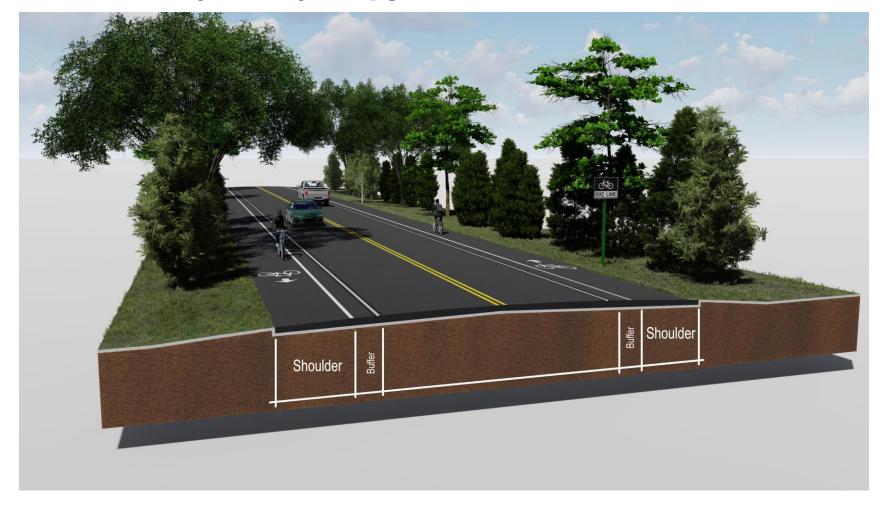


## **✓** Multi-Use Path (MP) – Typical





## ✓ Rural Corridor (RC-A) – Typical On-Road





## ✓ Rural Corridor (RC-B) – Typical Off-Road





## ✓ Rail with Trail (RWT) – Typical





# **✓** Rural Trail (RT) – Typical



## **TYPOLOGIES: CROSSINGS**



### ✓ Urbanized Crossing (UC) – Typical



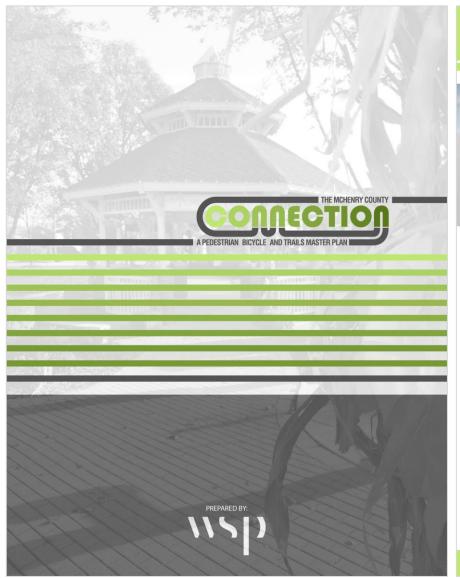
### **TYPOLOGIES: CROSSINGS**



# ✓ Urbanized Crossing (UC) – Typical







#### 0.0 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY



Proposed urban corridor with on-street separated bike facilities, sidewalks, and separated trail facilities.

#### Overview

The McHenry County Connection Pedestrian, Bicycle and Trails Master Plan provides a framework for improving biking and walking infrastructure in McHenry County. Through a thorough analysis of existing conditions and datasets and inclusion of stakeholders throughout the planning process, a comprehensive set of infrastructure, policy and maintenance recommendations were developed to set a path for McHenry County and its partners in pursuit of improving biking and walking conditions for all roadway users. A visioning and goal-setting exercise was undertaken early in the process with the public and the project's advisory committee providing a basis for which further analysis and recommendation concepts were developed while assuring the Plan meets the County and stakeholder's needs.

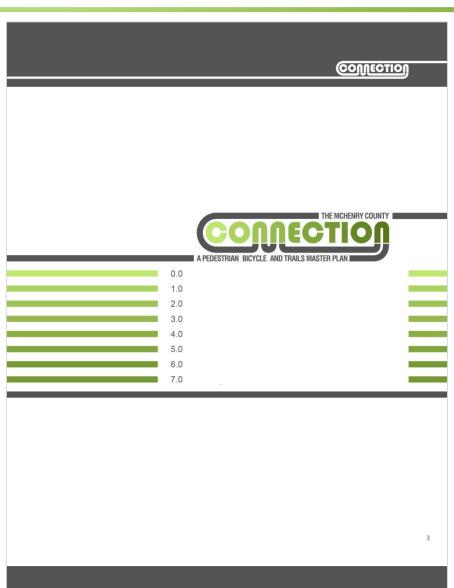




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- ✓ 0.0 Executive Summary
- ✓ I.0 Introduction + Existing
  Conditions
- ✓ 2.0 Vision + Goals
- ✓ 3.0 Master Plan Framework
- √4.0 Facilities + Sustainability
- √5.0 Programming + Wayfinding
- √ 6.0 Management + Maintenance
- ✓ 7.0 Implementation Steps









### **Programming + Wayfinding**

(Design Guidance / Strategies)

- ✓ Lighting
- ✓ Seating
- ✓ Bicycle Parking / Corrals
- ✓ Programming
- ✓ Wayfinding Signage





#### **Informational Signage**



#### **Decision Signage**



#### **Locational Signage**





### **Management + Maintenance**

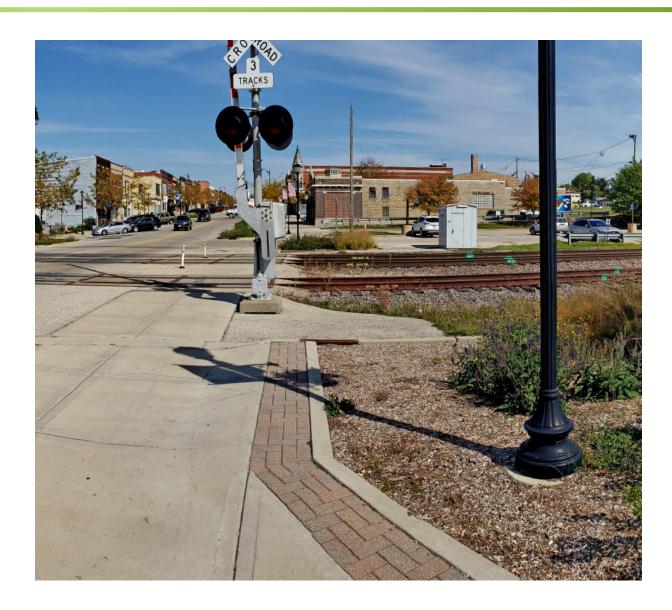
### (Design Guidance / Strategies)

- ✓ Determine where is best for Complete Streets Policies.
- ✓ Work to incorporate essential elements into local codes.
- ✓ Adopt a bicycle parking ordinance in supportive communities.
- ✓ Maintain open dialogue with County and Municipalities about maintenance.
- Establish implementation committee to foster on-going progress.
- ✓ Work with local non-profits, advocacy organizations, economic development organization, and conservation district.
- ✓ Develop a snowplow prioritization plan
- ✓ Consider an "adopt a trail" program to support implementation
- ✓ Prepare wayfinding and signage plan for the network
- ✓ Identify opportunities for partnership on green infrastructure projects
- ✓ Support educational programs focused on biking and walking
- ✓ Develop maintenance plan for bicycle facilities and sidewalks



### **Implementation Steps**

- ✓ Further coordination MCDOT
- ✓ Partner with agencies (such as McHenry County Conservation District) to implement recommendations
- McHenry County Councils of Mayors to adopt plan
- ✓ Coordinate with IDOT on all ongoing and future projects
- Develop Complete Streets Policy to support implementation





PROJECT INFORMATION					CURRENT PROGRAM						CALL FOR PROJECTS						Totals	
		Municipality	Project Type	Phase(s)		2021	2022	2023	2024	2025		2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	Unfunded	5-year total
Rank	Project				STP	\$ 4,348,790	\$ 3,559,118	\$ 3,296,992	\$ 3,202,139	\$ 3,480,707	STP	\$ 3,698,647	\$ 3,698,647	\$ 3,698,647	\$ 3,698,647	\$ 3,698,647	\$4,306,164	\$8,817,611
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8	N Main St	Crystal Lake	R&I	CON			\$1,500,000											\$0
9	Madison/South/Lake St	Woodstock	R&I	CON		\$1,500,000												\$0
1	Mason Hill Rd	Bull Valley	Resurfacing	CON, CE			\$1,144,000											\$0
2	Haligus Rd	Lakewood	Resurfacing	CON		\$712,726												\$0
3	Ringwood Rd	Ringwood	Resurfacing	CON, CE			\$206,708											\$0
4	Riverside Dr	Johnsburg	Resurfacing	CON, CE				\$1,500,000				\$1,500,000					\$0	\$0
5	Cary/Main St	Algonquin	R&I	CON		\$1,500,000												\$0
6	Green St	McHenry	Resurfacing	CON, CE				\$919,187				\$919,187						\$919,187
7	Prospect St	Marengo	Resurfacing	E2			\$60,000											\$1,440,000
7	Prospect St	Marengo	Resurfacing	CON, CE					\$1,440,000				\$1,440,000					\$1,440,000
10	Souwanas Tr	Algonquin	Resurfacing	CON			\$1,080,983										\$0	\$0
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11	Kreutzer Rd	Huntley	R&I	CON						\$1,500,000				\$1,500,000				\$1,500,000
12	Johnsburg Rd	Johnsburg	Resurfacing	CON, CE						\$1,500,000				\$1,500,000				\$1,500,000
13	Valley View Rd	Prairie Grove	Resurfacing	CON, CE		\$527,417												\$0
14	Winn Rd	Spring Grove	Resurfacing	CON, CE					\$1,330,000				\$1,330,000				\$0	\$1,330,000
15	Bull Valley Rd	McHenry	Resurfacing	CON, CE					\$262,139				\$262,139				\$0	\$262,139
16	Reed Rd	Lake in the Hills	Resurfacing	CON, CE		\$78,649												\$0
17	Diggins St	Harvard	Resurfacing	E1		\$29,998												
17	Diggins St	Harvard	Resurfacing	E2			\$38,556											\$471,240
17	Diggins St	Harvard	Resurfacing	CON, CE				\$471,240				\$471,240						
18	Four Seasons Blvd/Sullivan Lake	Lakemoor	R&I	E1			\$43,000											
18	Four Seasons Blvd/Sullivan Lake	Lakemoor	R&I	E2				\$43,000				\$43,000						\$491,568
18	Four Seasons Blvd/Sullivan Lake	Lakemoor	R&I	CON, CE					\$448,568				\$448,568				\$665,372	
19	Marengo Rd	Harvard	Resurfacing	CON, CE						\$480,707				\$480,707			\$333,667	\$480,707
20	Three Oaks/Sands	Crystal Lake	R&I	CON				\$183,715				\$183,715					\$1,316,285	\$183,715
21	Pingree Rd	Lake in the Hills	Resurfacing	CON, CE			\$212,649											\$0
22	Howe/Wonder Lake Rd	Greenwood	R&I	E2			\$21,115					\$21,115						\$239,055
22	Howe/Wonder Lake Rd	Greenwood	R&I	CON, CE				\$363,565					\$217,940				\$145,625	\$259,055
23	Dartmoor Dr	McHenry	Resurfacing	CON, CE	Unable to fund - project sponsor has two awarded projects.						Unable to fund - project sponsor has two awarded projects.						\$329,780	\$0
24	Crystal Lake Ave/Walkup	Crystal Lake	R&I	CON	Unable to fund phase due to fiscal constraint.						Unable to fund phase due to fiscal constraint.						\$1,216,141	\$0
25	Crystal Lake Rd	Lake in the Hills	Resurfacing	CON, CE	Unable to fund - project sponsor has two awarded projects.						Unable to fund - project sponsor has two awarded projects.						\$299,294	\$0
26	McCullom Lake Rd	McCullom Lake	Resurfacing	E2		Dropped out.						Dropped out.						\$0
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# The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act

BIPARTISAN INFRASTRUCTURE BILL

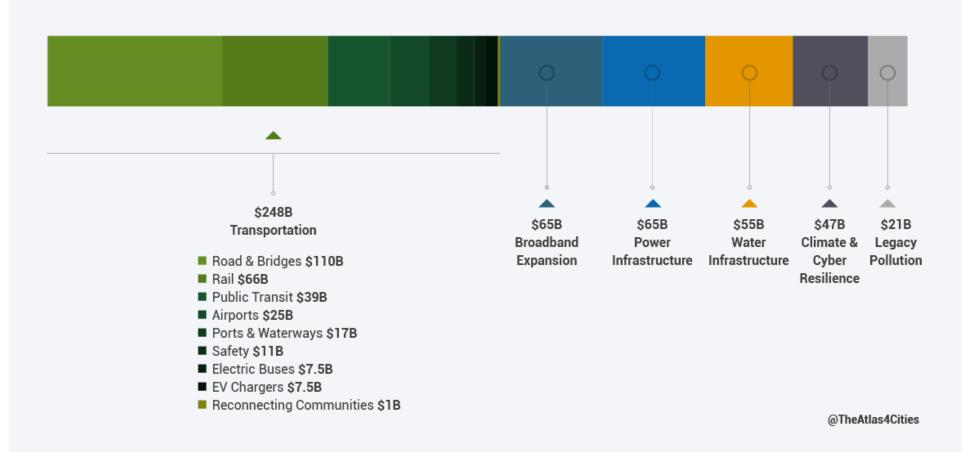


# What We'll Cover

- Basic overview of what's included in the bill
- olllinois-specific #'s
- Recommendations for local governments
- **o**Timeline
- Additional resources

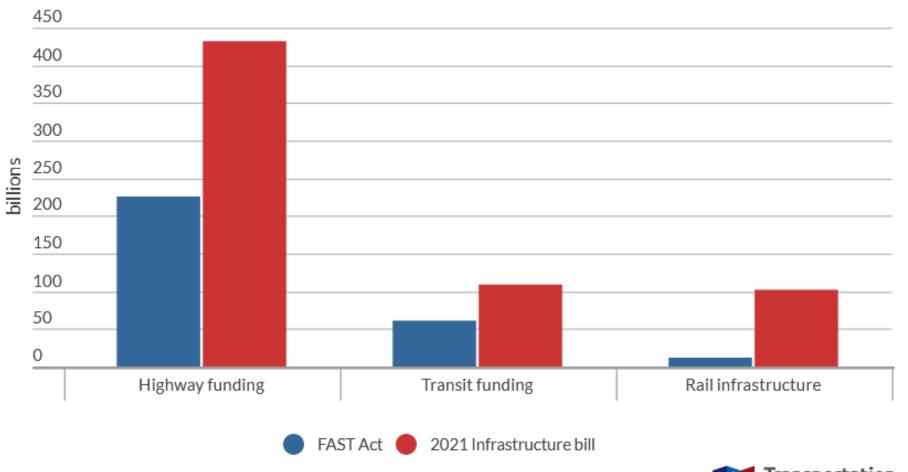
### What's in it for State & Local Governments?

Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act





### FAST Act vs the 2021 infrastructure bill





# Existing Programs (Formula)

### **Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Program (CMAQ)**

 New eligibility for shared micro-mobility projects, zero emissions vehicles and charging infrastructure

#### **Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP)**

- Increase in local sub-allocation from 50% to 59%
- New eligibility for safety projects that address vulnerable road users

### **Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STBG)**

 New eligibility for charging infrastructure, intelligent transportation technologies, and emerging transportation technologies

# Existing Programs (Formula)

### **Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP)**

- States now required to allocate at least 15% toward projects that address safety of vulnerable road users, if annual fatalities of vulnerable road users are at least 15% of total annual crash fatalities
- States have to create vulnerable road user assessment

### **Rail-Highway Grade Crossing**

- Funding level held steady, but federal share increased from 80% to 90%
- No longer requirement for state to use half of funding on installing protective devices at crossings

# Existing Programs (Competitive)

# Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE)

Multimodal projects with a regional impact

### Infrastructure for Rebuilding America (INFRA)

Highway and rail projects of regional and economic significance

# New Programs (Formula)

#### **Carbon Reduction Program**

- 65% local sub-allocation
- Projects that reduce transportation-related emissions
  - Public transportation
  - Bike-ped infrastructure
  - Deployment of congestion management and intelligent transportation technologies
  - Projects that mitigate freight emissions
  - Port electrification

# New Programs (Formula)

# Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative, Efficient, and Cost-Saving Transportation (PROTECT)

- Resilient projects that incorporate natural infrastructure, flood protection, other improvements related to highway projects
- Also has \$1.4 billion competitive portion of funding, local gov's are eligible

### **National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Program**

- Covers purchase, installation, operation, maintenance, and data sharing
- 10% set aside for state/local gov's that require additional assistance
- States have to submit EV Infrastructure Deployment Plan to access funds

# New Programs (Competitive)

#### **Congestion Relief Program**

- Integrated congestion management systems, implementation of congestion pricing, other incentive programs
- Priority given to most congested areas in the country

#### **Healthy Streets Program**

Cool and porous pavement, expanded tree cover

#### **Reconnecting Communities Pilot Program**

- Planning and projects that remove, retrofit, or mitigate existing highways that have created economic and social barriers in communities
- Highways, viaducts, and grade separations are eligible

# New Programs (Competitive)

### **Transportation Access Pilot Program**

 Funding for states and regions towards development of accessibility data to improve transportation planning

### Safe Streets and Roads for All Program

Development and implementation of comprehensive safety action plans

# What's Coming to Illinois

### Bump in formula funding

- Not the same across programs:
  - **CMAQ** = ~10% increase
  - TAP (ITEP & TAP-L) =  $^{\sim}76\%$  increase

  - Metropolitan Planning Program (Local Technical Assistance) = ~32% increase
  - **HSIP** = ~34% increase
  - Rail-Highway Grade Crossing = held steady

### What We Know About the Infrastructure Deal



➤ The funding will come with strings attached



Much of the funding will be competitively awarded



▶ The money will need to be spent on pre-specified timelines



Certain colors of money will be available sooner than others

### **Keep the Legislation's Vision in Mind**

- Repair and rebuild roads and bridges with a focus on climate change mitigation, resilience, equity and safety
- Improve transportation options and reduce greenhouse gases
- Build a national network of electric vehicle (EV) chargers

### **Comb through Strategic Plans and Capital Improvement Plans**

Identify synergies early on

### Maximizing Project Fundability & Sustainability

Navigating IIJA for State & Local Governments



### **Find New Entry Points to Bigger Projects**

- Identify where new projects could align with future DOT funded projects or new EPA Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (WIFIA) and State Revolving Fund (SRF) system improvements.
- Example:
  - 1. Use America Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding for feasibility studies for stormwater projects
  - 2. Use studies to identify opportunities for traffic calming/safety improvement projects
  - 3. Use transportation funding to implement projects with dual benefits
    - Greening medians/traffic circles
    - Aligning bike lanes with street trees or bioswales
    - Installing green curb bump outs or other pedestrian improvements that reduce heat islands

Top Funding Priorities for Transportation included in IIJA by the Federal Transit Agency

### **Safety**

 New Programs like Safe Streets and Roads for All Grant Program will fund the development of safety action plans and projects that promote safety, reduce traffic fatalities, and support Vision Zero initiatives

#### **Modernization**

- The Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STBGP) will fund the repair and upgrades of aging infrastructure.
- The Strengthening Mobility and Revolutionizing Transportation (SMART) grant program will help fund smart-city projects ranging from autonomous and connected vehicle infrastructure to smart traffic sensors.

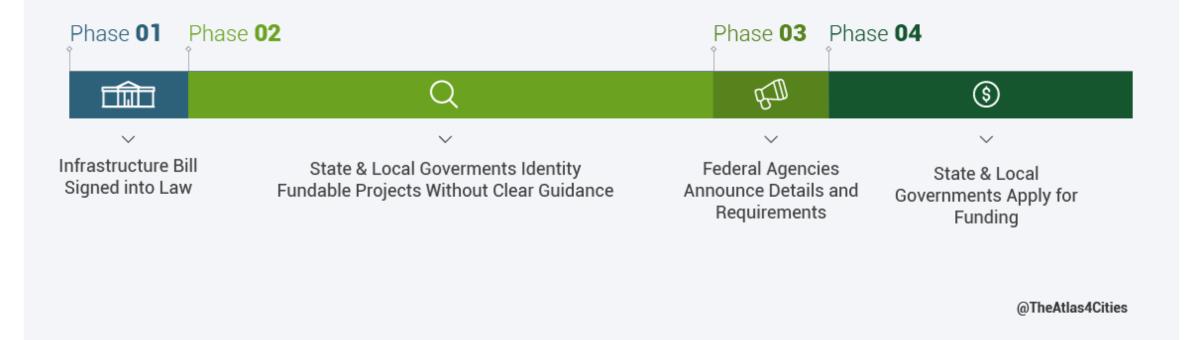
#### Climate

 Investments in Electric and Low-emission School busses through the EPA Clean School Bus plan

#### **Equity**

- Competitive grants like RAISE aim to improve mobility and accessibility for communities with historically limited access to public transportation.
- Healthy Streets Program will boost equity with a focus on urban tree planting with an emphasis on low-income, disadvantaged communities.

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# Timeline

### Formula funding will come first

- Also will be what we know the most about re: eligible projects, etc.
- Available for programming in mid FFY 2023
- Expect revised marks from CMAP by the end of March
  - TAP (TAP-L and ITEP)
  - CMAQ
  - STP (Shared Fund, Bridge, and Local Programs)

# Timeline (cont.)

### Reauthorized Competitive Grants will come after

- Rebuilding American infrastructure with sustainability & Equity (RAISE) grant program (open now)
- Low or No Emission Vehicle Program

### Newly established formula programs will come third

- Tend to be more straightforward to roll out than newly established competitive programs because all eligible applicants who meet the minimum requirements in the application process are entitled to receive funding.
- National Electric Vehicle Formula Program

# Timeline (cont.)

### Newly created competitive grant programs will come last

- IIJA creates several new competitive grant programs:
  - Clean School Bus Program
  - Safe Streets and Roads For All Program
  - Strengthening Mobility & Revolutionizing Technology (SMART) Grants
  - Healthy Streets Program

# Resources

<u>Transportation for America - IIJA Implementation Hub</u>

White House - IIJA Implementation Guide

<u>The Atlas - Navigating Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act Uncertainty: A Handbook</u> for State & Local Government Leaders

NACTO - IIJA Overview for Cities

CMAP – Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act update

<u>Brookings – Federal Infrastructure Hub</u>

# Thank You

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