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North Shore Council of Mayors

Technical Committee

Thursday, July 16, 2026

8:30 a.m.

Agenda

Skokie Village Hall

5127 Oakton Street

Virtual Non-Participating Option:

[Zoom Link](#)

I. Call to Order

II. Approval of Meeting Minutes – April 16, 2026 (Attachment A)

Action Requested: Approval of Minutes

III. Agency Reports

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

Action Requested: Informational/Discussion

IV. Local Surface Transportation Program (STP-L) Update (Attachment G)

Staff will provide a brief overview of the current program for the remainder of the fiscal year, noting any changes since the previous meeting.

Action Requested: Approval of the FFY2026-2030 Program

V. Other Business

VI. Next Meeting

The next meeting of the North Shore Council of Mayors Technical Committee is Thursday, October 15, 2026, at 8:30 a.m. at Glenview Village Hall, with a virtual non-voting option available.

VII. Adjourn

Executive Director
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Mount Prospect
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**North Shore Council of Mayors
Technical Committee
Thursday, April 16, 2026
8:30 a.m.
Meeting Minutes
Glenview Village Hall**

Members In Attendance

Jim Bernahl, Village of Winnetka, Chair
Sat Nagar, City of Evanston
Monica Sarna, Village of Glencoe
Adriana Webb, Village of Glenview
Kathy Thake, Village of Kenilworth
John Welch, Village of Lincolnwood
Chris Tomich, Village of Morton Grove
Cara Pavlicek, Village of Northbrook
Dan Manis, Village of Wilmette

Others In Attendance

Jon Trent, Village of Glenview
Ron Milanesio, Village of Wilmette
Sarah Stolpe, CMAP
Sam Waldorf, Cook County Department of Transportation and Highways
Alex Househ, IDOT
Kelsey Passi, Illinois Tollway
Jess Rybarczyk, Pace Suburban Bus
Maggie Czerwinski, Active Transportation Alliance
Zubair Haider, Baxter & Woodman
Albert Stefan, CBBEL
Steve Kotecki, Ciorba Group
Dan Brinkman, Gewalt Hamilton Associates
Sagar Sonar, Kimley Horn
John Beissel, Robinson Engineering
John "Tex" Mick, SE3
Greg Benske, Thomas Engineering Group
Mark Fowler, NWMC
Larry Bury, NWMC
Eric Czarnota, NWMC
Brian Larson, NWMC

I. Call to Order

Mr. Bernahl called the meeting to order at 8:31 a.m.

II. Approval of Meeting Minutes – January 15, 2026

Mr. Manis moved approval of the January 15, 2026 meeting minutes. Mr. Nagar seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

III.

Agency Reports

- a. Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning
Ms. Stolpe shared that applications are due soon for CMAP and RTA's joint Local Technical Assistance program and encouraged communities to apply. She reported that CMAP has recently completed its Comprehensive Climate Action Plan. Ms. Stolpe added that CMAP has also built out its Transportation Resilience Improvement Plan (TRIP), and the NWMC Transportation Committee will have a presentation on TRIP at its May meeting.
- b. IDOT Local Roads Update
Report attached.
- c. IDOT Highways Report
No report.
- d. Illinois Tollway
Ms. Passi encouraged municipalities to share awareness of *999, Tollway's roadside assistance program. Ms. Passi also noted that IPASS stickers will be sent to customers when their transponder has reached its end of life. She shared that Tollway's On Demand Team is available for public events and encouraged municipalities to contact her about scheduling for summer programming, as the On Demand Team can help low-income customers sign up for IPASS Assist.
- e. Metra
Report attached.
- f. Pace
Ms. Rybarczyk shared that Pace is continuing its Hiring On The Spot program and encouraged municipalities to involve Pace in local events. She said that the program is being expanded from only bus operators to mechanic roles.

Mr. Larson asked when municipalities should provide feedback on ReVision. Ms. Rybarczyk replied that once ReVision is ready for feedback, Pace will do direct outreach to communities.
- g. RTA
Report attached.
- h. Cook County Department of Transportation and Highways
Mr. Waldorf shared that Invest in Cook awards will be announced in July. He shared that adoption of the Cook County Safety Action Plan last year enabled all Cook County municipalities to apply for the US DOT Safe Streets for All (SS4A) grant and encouraged them to apply. He said that an addendum was made to the Safety Action Plan to note dangerous railway crossings. Mr. Waldorf shared that the Cook County Bike Plan continues to be updated, and encouraged communities to submit planned and newly constructed bike routes to the County to be included.

Ms. Czerwinski shared that Cook County and the Active Transportation Alliance are partnering to provide technical assistance for the Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program (ITEP) application process. She said that ITEP will accept applications from August 1 to October 5, with the grant increased from \$3 million to \$5 million, and is GATA exempt. Ms. Czerwinski

said that the technical assistance program will be available to 15 communities, with 7 of those awardees eligible for an additional \$2,000 in grants towards minor street safety improvements. She shared that the deadline to apply for application assistance is May 11. Ms. Czerwinski also shared that there will be upcoming ITEP webinars, with a statewide webinar on July 15, two Cook County-led webinars on July 28 and 29, a application webinar on August 12, and a Q&A session with IDOT on September 16.

IV. North Shore Council of Mayors Surface Transportation Program (STP) Proposed Program for FFY 2027-2031

Mr. Larson reported that no public comments were received during the public comment period for the North Shore Council of Mayors Surface Transportation Program (STP) Recommended Program for FFY 2027-2031. Mr. Larson noted changes from the proposed program in January, including that Glenview – Chestnut Avenue was moved from 2029 to 2026, Skokie – Howard East was moved from 2026 to 2028, Skokie – Gross Point Road was moved from 2027 to 2028, and Winnetka – Hibbard Road Hill to Willow was moved from 2030 to 2029.

Mr. Welch moved to recommend the proposed FFY2027-2031 Program for approval by the North Shore Council of Mayors Board. Ms. Thake seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

V. Local Surface Transportation Program (STP-L) Update

Mr. Larson provided a brief overview of the current program for the remainder of the fiscal year and noted relevant changes since the previous meeting, which predominantly consisted of letting date changes.

Ms. Webb asked about the program missing a cost increase for Pfingsten Avenue. Mr. Larson said he would review the project and follow up after the meeting.

Ms. Webb moved approval of the FFY2026-2030 Program. Ms. Pavlicek seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

VI. IDOT Functional Classification Modifications

Mr. Larson provided a brief overview of IDOT's proposed functional classification modifications.

Mr. Bernahl said he had questions for IDOT regarding the impact of the proposed changes on major/minor route applications for funding. Mr. Tomich asked about the impact on municipal comprehensive plans and what happens if a community wants to maintain the current classification.

Mr. Larson said he would work with IDOT to have a special meeting to discuss these issues.

Mr. Mick shared that IDOT is also needing assistance bringing bridges into the federal inventory and wanted to promote cooperation from municipalities in doing so. He said that IDOT has until the end of 2027 to obtain the data.

Mr. Welch asked if the bridges are vehicular or also bicycle and pedestrian bridges. Mr. Mick said he would email and ask, but the current data includes private bridges, and the old form has to be replicated with any differences incorporated into the new material.

VII. Other Business

Mr. Larson shared that SS4A grants are currently open through May 26. She said that there are multiple High-Injury Network locations within the membership which would be eligible for implementation funds, and that communities can also use interventions identified by the NWMC Multimodal Plan. Mr. Larson said he is available to sit down and talk through locations and proposals and write letters of support.

Mr. Larson also requested communities send infrastructure photos, to enable the NWMC to highlight projects.

VIII. Next Meeting

Mr. Bernahl announced that the next meeting of the North Shore Council of Mayors Technical Committee is Thursday, July 16, 2026, at 8:30 a.m. at Skokie Village Hall, 5127 Oakton Street, with a virtual non-voting option available.

IX. Adjourn

Mr. Tomich moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:27 a.m. Mr. Nagar seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

CMAP news

2026 Regional Transportation Plan

The draft 2026 RTP is now available for public comment through July 31, 2026. CMAP invites residents, partners, stakeholders, and transportation system users to review and comment on the draft [2026 Regional Transportation Plan](#) (RTP), the Air Quality Conformity Determination, and the FFY 2027–2032 [Transportation Improvement Program](#) (TIP). Additional information and resources about the RTP are available on the [RTP webpage](#).

Have a question or want someone from the CMAP team to present at your upcoming meeting? Email us at rtp@cmmap.illinois.gov.

New 2026 Community Data Snapshots help communities track progress and plan for the future

The Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP) released a new set of [Community Data Snapshots](#) to help regional stakeholders track progress and make informed decisions in their communities. 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.

There are three ways to explore the data:

- View the [interactive dashboard](#) of select data points.
- Download the [snapshot report](#).
- Download the data tables from [CMAP's Data Hub](#).

Want to share your community's data? CMAP's media [toolkit](#) includes text and graphics — including customizable templates — you can use on your social media, newsletter, and website to share this useful data.

Job opportunities

CMAP is hiring for full-time positions: a [GIS Architect](#) under CMAP's Deputy of Data; a [Senior Planner](#) in the Planning division; an [Accounting Specialist](#) in the Finance division; a [Regional Policy and Implementation Director](#) in the Regional Policy and Implementation division. Visit CMAP's [Careers page](#) to learn more.

Program status updates

Surface Transportation Program (STP)

The [STP Project Selection Committee](#) last met on May 14, 2026. The committee's next meeting is scheduled for **July 16, 2026**. [Meeting materials](#) are posted on CMAP's Legistar site one week before 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 are available on the [STP webpage](#).

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

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Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program (CMAQ), Carbon Reduction Program (CRP), and local Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP-L)

The most recent [CMAQ Project Selection Committee](#) meeting was held on May 14, 2026. The committee's next meeting is scheduled for **July 16, 2026**. [Meeting materials](#) are posted on CMAP's Legistar site one week before the meetings. Information for submitting project change requests can be found on CMAP's [CMAQ Management Resources webpage](#).

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. Information on the [Countywide Safety Action Plans](#) adopted by the MPO Policy Committee on May 30, 2025, and more, can be found on the STAR webpage.

In collaboration with the DuPage Division of Transportation (DuDOT) and engineering firm TYLin, CMAP is offering implementation guidance with a [pre-recorded webinar](#) for local jurisdictions interested in funding traffic safety improvements.

Staff contact: [Michael Brown](#) (312-386-8615)

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. Recordings and slides for CMAP's ADA trainings, which cover ADA and Title II requirements, self-evaluations, the role of an ADA coordinator, transition plans, and PROWAG are [available](#). CMAP has also developed [templates and guidance](#) that public entities can use to help meet their legal obligations of providing an ADA notice, grievance procedure, and designating an ADA coordinator.

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

CMAP products and data

Land Use Inventory provides updated look at northeastern Illinois

CMAP's Land Use Inventory, a survey of northeastern Illinois' land use, has been updated. This data is a resource for planners, transportation agencies, university researchers, non-governmental organizations, consulting firms, and more. The 2026 inventory features 2023 data, following refinement by CMAP, including a review of 60,000 parcels. The data can be viewed on an [interactive web map](#) and is also available for [download](#).

Comprehensive Climate Action Plan for Chicago released

CMAP, in partnership with the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus and the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission, developed the [Comprehensive Climate Action Plan for Greater Chicago](#).

As the first regional framework to address all major sources of greenhouse gas emissions across a 13-county area spanning Illinois, Indiana, and Wisconsin, the plan charts a clear and ambitious path forward. Grounded in rigorous data and shaped by community and partner voices, it offers a coordinated roadmap to reduce emissions, improve public health, and strengthen the economy.

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Transportation Resilience Improvement Plan (TRIP)

In partnership with regional stakeholders, CMAP created the [Transportation Resilience Improvement Plan](#) (TRIP) to identify vulnerabilities in the regional transportation system and highlight how to make the system more resilient to extreme weather and climate change.

TRIP provides a roadmap to inform transportation planning and decision making throughout the region. It meets the Federal Highway Administration's Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative, Efficient, and Cost-Saving Transportation (PROTECT) Program requirements for a resilience improvement plan — and will help position northeastern Illinois to compete for PROTECT funds as well as other resilience funds. Learn more about the key insights from the plan [here](#).

My Daily Travel Phase One data offers insight into how people travel across northeastern Illinois

Between September 2024 and June 2025, CMAP collected detailed travel behavior data from more than 3,500 households across the region. CMAP has published the [Phase One dataset](#) from its [My Daily Travel household survey](#), marking a major milestone in a multi-year effort to better understand how northeastern Illinois residents move through the region. The dataset provides critical insight into daily travel patterns, mode choice, telework, transit use, and barriers to travel — and will inform CMAP's travel demand modeling, policy analysis, and long-range transportation planning efforts, including the development of the next Regional Transportation Plan.

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!

From our partners

Illinois Strategic Highway Safety Plan (SHSP) public survey

On July 2, 2026, the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) Bureau of Local Roads and Streets (BLRS) released [Circular Letter 2026-08](#) detailing updates to the Illinois SHSP. IDOT is seeking stakeholder feedback through the statewide [SHSP survey](#). The survey includes traditional questions and an interactive map. All feedback will help identify safety needs and priorities and may influence future projects, programs, and policies. The survey is open until **Friday, August 14, 2026**.

Illinois Adoption of Federal MUTCD

On March 2, 2026, the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) Bureau of Local Roads and Streets (BLRS) released [Circular Letter 2026-01](#) announcing the adoption of the 11th Edition of the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD), with its FHWA-approved IL Supplement to the MUTCD. This is effective immediately. All local and state standards shall be brought up to this substantial conformance of the MUTCD. Additional information can be found in the letter linked above.

2025 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 Transportation Asset Management page](#).

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2024 IDOT crash data

On August 11, 2025, IDOT released [Circular Letter 2025-11](#) announcing the availability of 2024 crash data. This data set provides important crash information required for the identification of areas of improvement, work on safety studies, and the analysis on the location and number of crashes. The data can be accessed through [IDOT's Safety Portal](#).

Funding opportunities

FY 2028 Local Highway Improvement Program (HSIP) Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO)

On June 22, 2026, IDOT released [Circular Letter 2026-07](#) announcing the HSIP NOFO for fiscal year 2028. HSIP eligibility includes projects addressing the increase in fatalities and meet the “moving toward zero” initiative. IDOT encourages projects that protect Vulnerable Road Users (VRU). IDOT will also prioritize High Risk Rural Road (HRRR) projects. All phases of a safety improvement project are eligible for this program, including preliminary engineering, design, construction, and construction engineering.

Applications materials can be accessed on the [HSIP website](#) under Local HSIP. Applications are due by **Friday, August 14, 2026, at 5:00 p.m. CST.**

Training opportunities

IDOT BLRS 2025 T2 training

IDOT's Technology Transfer (T2) Center has the [Spring 2026 T2 training](#), along with all past offerings, available online. For more information on how to navigate this training, along with 35+ additional trainings offered by the T2 Center, please reference the [T2 website](#). New users will need to contact Barry.Kent@illinois.gov for credentials.

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 – July 2026

- 7/24/2026:** Pre-final plans due for projects targeting the January 2027 letting
- 7/27/2026:** Final PS&E and draft agreements due for projects targeting the November 2026 letting
Final CE, RR and funding agreements and ROW documents due for projects targeting the September 2026 letting

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.

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1	GLENVIEW 220020600CH	FAU1292 - E Lake AVE AT Waukegan RD	6,983,276	02-19-0016	CE 1		Yes		9/18/2026	AH CR Civiltech	NR	* NR
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2	GLENVIEW 240021200RS	FAU2766 - Lehigh/Harlem Lake Av to Dewes St RESURFACING MODERNIZE TRAFFIC SIGNALS	5,520,000	02-22-0016	CE 1	NR	No		11/6/2026	AH CR B & W	NR	* NR
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3507			/ / / / / / / /									*
3	GLENVIEW 250021700BT	Var - ~38 locations Villagewide BP SIGNINGS/MARKINGS	233,200	02-26-0001	CE 1	NR	No		9/18/2026	AH CR B & W	NR	* NR
			E1: / / / / / / / 0 / E2: / / / / / / / / RW: / / / / / / / / C: FFY26 / STE / 233,200 / 186,560 / / ILL / / 46,640 / / / / /	REMARKS: State Matching Assistance.								* * * * * * * * *
3506			/ / / / / / / /									*
4	LINCOLNWOOD 180006600CH	FAP0350 - Cicero Ave Touhy Ave INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENT	2,220,000	02-19-0008	CE 1	NR	Yes E		6/11/2027	AH CR Stanley	NR	* NR
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5	NORTHBROOK 210018100RS	FAU2771 - Skokie Blvd Lake Cook Rd to S Village Limits RESURFACING	2,521,311	02-22-0014	CE 1	NR	No		6/12/2026 2,247,439	AH CR In-House	NR	NR
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6	SKOKIE 160030700BT	Off - Skokie Vly Tr Golf Rd to Dempster BIKEWAYS	3,190,000	02-18-0001	CE 1	NR	Yes		3/5/2027	AH CR	NR	NR
			E1: / / / /									*
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3249			/ / / /			REMARKS:						*
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7	SKOKIE 190010802BT	FAU1332 - Oakton St Caldwell Ave to Lehigh Ave SIDEWALKS BIKE PATH	2,759,937	02-19-0015	CE 1	NR	Yes		6/11/2027	AH CR CBBEL	NR	NR
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			E2: / / / /									*
			RW: / / / /								No	*
			C: FFY25 / CMAQ / 2,458,074 / 1,966,460 /									*
3425			/ SRTS / 301,863 / 241,488 /			REMARKS:						*
			/ / / /									*
8	WILMETTE 190020301CH	FAU0350 - Skokie BI/US41 Illinois Rd to Lake Ave BIKEWAYS MODERNIZE TRAFFIC SIGNALS	1,334,000	02-16-0005	CE 1	NR	Yes		11/6/2026	AH CR Civiltech	NR	NR
			E1: / / / /									*
			E2: FFY23 / ITEP / 195,715 / 121,600 / A									*
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3356			/ / / /			REMARKS: State ITEP.						*
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9	WINNETKA	FAU3561 - Willow Rd	18,410,000	02-06-0021	CE 1	NR	Yes		9/18/2026	AH		NR	*	NR
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	to Provident Ave	E2:	/	/	/	0	/			Strand	NR		*	
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Learn about the benefits of joining our team!



Bus Operator

Servicer



Attend our next Hire-on-the-Spot event!

Wednesday, July 22, 2026, 10am
975 S. State, Elgin, IL 60123

Get hired immediately for available bus operator, and servicer positions at Pace's River Division in Elgin.

Same-day job offers will be made. Applicants should plan on **3–4 hours** total for testing and interviewing. Testing starts at **10:30am**, and interviews will take place shortly thereafter.

Advantages of working at Pace:

- Bus operator pay starts at \$26.24/hour
- Servicer pay starts at \$24.33/hour
- Long-term stability
- Earn your CDL for free and start earning a paycheck right away with paid on-the-job and on-going training
- Promotion from within
- Excellent health and retirement benefits
- Paid vacation and other paid time off

What to expect at the event:

- Learn directly from Pace staff about rewarding career opportunities.
- Bring your 'Court Purpose' Motor Vehicle Report (also called Driver's Abstract) from the Illinois Secretary of State.
- Bus operator candidates will take a 90 minute customer service assessment, followed by interviews.
- Receive an offer on the spot!



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RTA awards \$10.9 million to improve access to transit in communities throughout the region

The RTA has selected 21 new projects at a total award amount of \$10.9 million for its [2026 Access to Transit Call for Projects](#), making it the largest round of funding in agency history in terms of both the number of projects funded and total dollar amount. Access to Transit provides funding to municipalities to complete engineering and construction for small-scale capital improvements—like filling sidewalk gaps and installing covered bicycle parking—that improve connections to transit. This group of new projects will be the eighth group accepted to the Access to Transit program, which has funded more than 50 projects since the program began in 2014. [See the full list of funded projects on the RTA Connections blog.](#)

State budget puts NITA in position to deliver on promised benefits

The Illinois General Assembly adjourned at the end of May after passing the State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2027 budget. Although the new revenue sources from the NITA Act are maintained in the trailer legislation and the system still expects to receive the funding amount projected when the NITA Act passed, the SFY27 budget included some changes to transit funding. Lawmakers diverted \$150 million from the sales tax on motor fuel—a key new funding source for transit operations—to address other state budgetary needs for SFY27. Revenue from this tax is expected to exceed projections due to higher-than-expected gas prices.

The 2027 budget includes all transit appropriations at expected levels for this year for both capital and operations. The state budget was signed by the Governor on June 16.

Riders are already [seeing the benefits of new funding](#) through more security personnel, expanded service, improved fare programs, and better customer information across the region. [Read more on the RTA Connections blog.](#)



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NITA Act trailer bill features policy changes to enhance agency transition

In addition to the state budget, the Illinois General Assembly also passed [trailer legislation](#) to streamline the transition to the new agency. The trailer bill awaits the governor's consideration.

The trailer bill makes no substantive changes to the new operating revenue sources included in the NITA Act or the new capital revenue source for the Chicago region. The trailer bill did include technical changes to policies and deadlines intended to streamline the agency transition that is now underway, including the following key changes:

- The new NITA Board is seated on September 1, 2026, and the new chair is elected at the September meeting. This update aligns the NITA Board's timeline with CTA, Metra, and Pace Boards.
- The deadline to pass the FY2027 regional transit budget is corrected to the end of the calendar year on December 31, 2026, as was the case under the RTA Act.
- The legislation includes flexibility for achieving the \$46.9 million in efficiencies by the transit agencies called for in the NITA Act from service-delivery savings, labor optimization, and real estate.
- The system's waiver from the new 25% recovery ratio requirement that was instituted in 2021 is extended to include the fiscal year 2027 budget.
- The final report featuring safety recommendations from the NITA Law Enforcement Task Force is now due to NITA by March 1, 2027.
- NITA must implement the transition plan developed by IDOT and a third-party consultant by ordinance by September 30, 2027.

See RTA's [updated legislative summary of the NITA Act](#) for a full list of changes in the trailer legislation and how it affects the ongoing agency transition.

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Preparing a Strong ITEP Application: Webinar for Cook County Communities

Wednesday, July 29 | 11 am – 1 pm

Planning to apply for Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program (ITEP) funding this year? Join Cook County and local partners on Wednesday, July 29 for a free webinar focused on helping communities submit strong applications for walking, biking, and trail projects. Participants will hear lessons learned from 3 past ITEP awardees, learn about Cook County data tools and resources available to support project narratives and other grants, and have the opportunity to ask questions about the upcoming funding cycle.

Webinar: Preparing a Strong ITEP Application

Date/time: Wednesday, July 29, 11 am to 1 pm

Register at <https://tinyurl.com/ITEPCookCountyWebinar>



Cook County's NEXT Long Range Transportation Plan

Cook County is currently developing the Next Long-Range Transportation Plan – a strategic roadmap that will guide how the County invests in and improves transportation for its residents and businesses. The plan will build on the foundation of Connecting Cook County, the Long-Range Transportation Plan published in 2016. The plan will respond to evolving transportation needs and lessons learned over the last decade, especially related to the COVID-19 pandemic, which reshaped travel patterns, priorities and community expectations across Cook County.



Invest in Cook 2026 Program

The 2026 application period for *Invest in Cook* has closed. The program will be announced in late July. More information can be found at <https://www.cookcountyl.gov/investincook>.



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Roadway Projects Report

Project Name	Project Limits	Project Scope	Current Phase	Quarterly Milestone	Est. Start Construction	Est. Complete Construction
LAKE COOK BRIDGE DECK REPLACEMENTS	over the NBCR (SN 016-3200); over CNRR (SN 016-3201); over east Rand Road (SN 016-3205)	Removal and replacement of concrete bridge decks, replacement of concrete approach slabs and pavement, removal and replacement of PPC I-beams	2. Preliminary Engineering (Phase I)	5. Kick-Off Meeting Held	2030	2031
SANDERS ROAD 21-W2444-00-PV	Milwaukee Ave to Techny Rd	Roadway reconstruction & widening with drainage improvements, traffic signal modernization and construction of multi-use path	3. Design Engineering (Phase II)	8. Pre-final Plans Submitted	2027	2028
SKOKIE VALLEY TRAIL EXTENSION	Lake Cook Road to Voltz Road	Pedestrian bridge construction and trail extension	3. Design Engineering (Phase II)	13. Phase II Ongoing	2028	2029
EAST LAKE AVENUE 18-A5924-00-BR	over MFNB Chicago River	Removal and replacement of bridge deck with structural steel cleaning and painting	3. Design Engineering (Phase II)	13. Phase II Ongoing	2027	2028
CRAWFORD AVENUE	Oakton St to Golf Rd	Roadway reconstruction	3. Design Engineering (Phase II)	7. Preliminary Plans Submitted	2028	2030
PRP NORTH 2024	Various locations	Pavement rehabilitation with associated traffic signal modernization, drainage, and ADA sidewalk improvements	3. Design Engineering (Phase II)	9. Finals Plans Submitted	2026	2028
BRIDGE REHABILITATION NORTH 01	COUNTYWIDE	Rehabilitation of 9 structures in North Cook including removal and replacement of deck overlays, structural repair of concrete, partial and full depth concrete deck patching.	3. Design Engineering (Phase II)	13. Phase II Ongoing	2026	2027
PAVEMENT CRACK SEALING 2028-2031	Various locations	Countywide crack sealing program	3. Design Engineering (Phase II)	1. Project Kick off	2027	2027
PRP LAKE COOK ROAD PATCHING 2026	Lake Cook Road from Birchwood Road to the west leg of Skokie Boulevard	Pavement patching and diamond grinding, adding new right turn lanes where ROW is not required, replacement and modernization of six (6) traffic signals, and ADA ramp upgrades	3. Design Engineering (Phase II)	11. Phase I Ongoing	2027	2028
Lake Cook Road Bridges over I-94 and I-55 Sanders Rd to Wilmot Rd		Reconstruction of the Lake Cook Rd Bridges over I-94 & SB I-294, and rehabilitation of the Lake Cook Rd Bridge over NB I-294	3. Design Engineering (Phase II)	7. Preliminary Plans Submitted	2027	2029
BRIDGE REHABILITATION NORTH 02	COUNTYWIDE	TBD	3. Design Engineering (Phase II)	1. Project Kick off	2028	2029

Contingency Program (Not Currently Programmed)							
	2026		2027	2028	2029	2028	Target Letting/Auth.
Subtotals	\$0		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Total					\$0		