### **Capital Plan Overview**



The proposed \$12 billion capital plan, Move Illinois: *The Illinois Tollway Driving the Future*, will provide customers with a fully rebuilt, state-of-the-art system and critical new regional projects that will improve mobility, relieve congestion, reduce pollution and link economies across the Midwest.

#### **Key Goals**

- Save drivers time and money
- Drive the economic engine
- Build a 21<sup>st</sup> century transportation system
- Take care of the existing system
- Be the "cleanest and greenest" program in history

#### **Existing Illinois Tollway System Needs**

Projects totaling \$8.32 billion are needed to maintain the existing Tollway system:

- Reconstructing and widening the Jane Addams Memorial Tollway (I-90)
- Reconstructing the central Tri-State Tollway (I-294) and Edens Spur (I-94)
- Preserving the Reagan Memorial Tollway (I-88)
- Preserving the Veterans Memorial Tollway (I-355)
- Repairing roads, bridges and maintenance facilities
- Other capital projects

#### **New Priority Projects**

Projects totaling \$3.83 billion are included to improve regional mobility:

#### Jane Addams Tollway (I-90) Transit Opportunities

- Creating 21<sup>st</sup> century, state-of-the-art corridor linking Rockford to O'Hare
- Planning for transit options in conjunction with rebuilding and widening

#### Tri-State Tollway (I-294)/I-57 Interchange Construction

- Linking I-294 and I-57, one of two points in the nation where interstates cross, but do not connect
- Increasing economic development opportunities throughout the Chicago Southland, including improved access for local communities and freight

#### Elgin O'Hare West Bypass Construction

- Rehabilitating and widening existing Elgin O'Hare Expressway
- Building new all-electronic roadways to link O'Hare and surrounding communities and businesses
- Increasing travel efficiency for commuters and commerce

#### **Commits Funding for Planning Studies**

- Illinois Route 53 Corridor
- Illiana Expressway

#### **Key Benefits**

The proposed \$12 billion capital plan for Move Illinois: *The Illinois Tollway Driving the Future,* will create jobs, stimulate the economy, provide better travel conditions and relieve congestion. The Tollway's new capital plan will ensure that the Chicago area remains competitive with other major cities in the U.S. and around the world.

#### Congestion Relief

- Offers customers opportunities to reduce costs time and fuel
- Roadway improvements offer drivers time savings
  - Jane Addams Memorial Tollway (I-90) improvements projected to save 25 minutes on the average trip from Elgin to the Kennedy Expressway
  - Elgin O'Hare West Bypass projected to save 13 minutes on the five-mile trip from I-290 to York Road

#### Economic Benefits

- Adds \$21 billion to the regional economy
- Stimulates regional economic development and growth
- Supports quick and efficient transport of goods, services and workers

#### Jobs

- Creates more than 120,000 direct jobs
- Ensures \$1 billion of annual construction
  - o Creates more than 13,000 construction-related jobs annually
  - o Sustains those jobs for the next decade
- Elgin O'Hare West Bypass creates opportunities for an estimated 65,000 jobs

#### Mobility

- Includes three capital projects endorsed by the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning's (CMAP) GO TO 2040 Plan to enhance regional mobility
- Provides opportunity for transit and the creation of innovative and environmentally sound solutions to combat regional congestion

#### Clean and Green

- Minimizes the environmental impact of new roadway construction by reducing, recycling and reusing materials
- Commits to incorporating renewable energy products including solar panels, wind turbines and geothermal systems
- New and existing infrastructure projects including maintenance site reconstruction will seek a recognized green project standards and certification for Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED)

### **Save Drivers Time and Money**

Increased capacity and new access from projects in Move Illinois: *The Illinois Tollway Driving the Future*, will provide drivers with options and opportunities to save time and money over the next decade and beyond.

#### **Cost of Congestion**

- · Chicago has the nation's worst road congestion
- Congestion costs the Chicago area between \$4 billion and \$7 billion annually
- The Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning projects 2.5 million more people will live and work in northeast Illinois by 2040

#### New Roadways Will Reduce Travel Times

The Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning projects that—collectively—these three major projects will reduce vehicle miles traveled in congestion by 1 million miles daily, resulting in savings of more than \$775 million annually due to reduced congestion and delays.

#### Jane Addams Memorial Tollway (I-90) Reconstruction

- o Will save drivers 25 minutes traveling between Elgin and the Kennedy Expressway
- o Will accommodate up to 30,000 more vehicles per day
- o Will save drivers \$440 million annually in fuel and productivity costs

#### · Elgin O'Hare West Bypass

- Reduce traffic volume on local roads by 17 percent during rush hour about 10 minutes per one hour trip
- o Will accommodate three times as many vehicles per day as local roads carry now
- o Will save drivers 13 minutes on a five-mile trip from I-290 to York Road

#### Tri-State Tollway (I-294)/I-57 Interchange

- Will accommodate 76,000 vehicles per day
- o Will save drivers \$4 million annually in fuel consumption
- o Tri-State Tollway commuters using I-80 to I-57 will save 25 hours per year



### **Drive the Economic Engine**



New roads can improve quality of life by saving people time and money, creating jobs and stimulating local economies. The Tollway's capital plan provides an opportunity to help drive Illinois' economy and provide the infrastructure improvements necessary to continue to support the quick and efficient transport of goods, services and workers.

#### **Regional Statistics**

- Northern Illinois is one of the largest inland ports in the world and the Tollway is a primary freight route carrying more that 270 million tons of freight annually
- Truck traffic is projected to increase by more than 70 percent over the next 30 years
- Better transportation means reduced cost to access markets and higher market shares

#### Move Illinois: The Illinois Tollway Driving the Future, will stimulate economic growth

- Adds \$21 billion to the regional economy
- Creates more than 120,000 direct jobs
  - o \$1 billion of annual construction creates more than 13,000 construction-related jobs annually
  - o Sustains those jobs for the next decade

#### Jane Addams Memorial Tollway (I-90) Reconstruction and Widening

- Will create 11,500 additional permanent jobs within the Chicago region
- Provides opportunities for local interchange improvements
- Ensures opportunity for future transit expansion
- Projected to handle more than 15,000 commercial trucks per day carrying 375,000 daily tons of freight

#### Tri-State Tollway (I-294)/I-57 Interchange

- Will support more than 4,000 jobs during construction
- Will create 2,000 permanent jobs
- Dramatically improves access and economic development opportunities throughout the Chicago Southland
- Interchange at I-57 and 147th Street ramps improve local access to underserved communities

### Elgin O'Hare West Bypass

- Will create 13,450 jobs annually in the region during construction
- Creates opportunity for 65,000 permanent jobs
- Improves links between O'Hare and surrounding communities and businesses
- Improves freight shipment operations



## Job #1 – Take Care of Existing System Needs

#### The Illinois Tollway receives no state or federal tax dollars for system maintenance and operation and:

- Serves 1.4 million daily drivers
- Provides four interstate highways crossing 12 counties in Northern Illinois
- Maintains 286 miles of roadway and 642 bridges

# The proposed capital plan provides \$8.32 billion to maintain the existing Tollway System and address needs for 2012-2026:

#### Reconstruct and Widen Jane Addams Memorial Tollway (I-90) - \$2.37 billion

- Rebuilds and widens 52-year-old roadway eight lanes from the Kennedy Expressway to the Elgin Toll Plaza and six lanes from the Elgin Toll Plaza to I-39 (Rockford)
- 62 miles of roadway improvements
- Interchanges, ramp and bridge repairs

#### Reconstruct Tri-State Tollway (I-94/I-294) - \$2.13 billion

- Rebuilds Central Tri-State Tollway pavement ranging from 20-52 years old eight lanes from 95<sup>th</sup> Street to Balmoral Avenue
- Rebuilds Edens Spur four lanes from Tri-State Tollway (I-294) to Edens Expressway
- 27 miles of roadway improvements
- Ramp and bridge repairs

#### Preserve Reagan Memorial Tollway (I-88) - \$389 million

- Resurfacing 43 miles from IL Route 251 (Rochelle) to IL Route 56 (Sugar Grove) to extend pavement life
- Rebuilds roadway between York Road and I-290 and four-mile-long ramp connecting I-88 with the Tri-State Tollway (I-294)
- Ramp and bridge repairs

#### Preserve Veterans Memorial Tollway (I-355) - \$511 million

- Resurfacing between I-55 and Army Trail Road to extend pavement life
- 17.5 miles of roadway improvements

#### Systemwide Improvements and Local Interchanges - \$1.35 billion

- Reconstruct and restore nine maintenance facilities, most of which are 52-years-old
- Pavement, drainage and safety repairs

#### Other Capital Projects - \$1.57 billion

- Electronic toll collection system upgrades
- Annual capital expenditures

### The "Cleanest and Greenest" Program in History



Move Illinois: *The Illinois Tollway Driving the Future*, will minimize the environmental impact of new roadway construction by reducing, recycling and reusing materials. The Illinois Tollway is committed to using renewable energy and green technology, as well as adopting research initiatives and best management practices to reduce energy use and costs.

#### **Natural Environment and Resource Protection**

Minimize environmental impacts by adopting mitigation and landscaping projects with local and regional benefits, and adopt best management practices to improve nearby wetlands and waterways.

- Wetland mitigation For every acre impacted, a minimum of 1.5 acres will be restored or created.
- Native vegetation Use native and adaptive vegetation to reduce maintenance and mowing costs.
- **Stormwater management** Continue and expand surface and groundwater monitoring research; use results to guide future work.

#### Waste Reduction and Recycling

Increase the use of recycled, reused and reclaimed materials. New programs and tracking mechanisms will quantify resources preserved and materials recycled, as well as eliminate landfill waste.

- Waste-reduction work zone Develop a pilot project to eliminate construction waste that is traditionally sent to landfills for disposal.
- **100 percent recycled materials** Recycled concrete, asphalt and other materials, including roof shingles and tires, will be used as base materials, backfill and in new pavements.

#### **Renewable Energy and Energy Conservation**

Incorporate renewable energy sources and conservation strategies proven to provide operational and maintenance benefits to conserve energy and reduce costs.

- Renewable energy Install solar, wind and geothermal systems.
- **Warm-mix asphalt** Maximize use in place of hot-mix asphalt on all program projects, reducing CO2 emissions and energy consumption by about 20 percent during asphalt production.

#### **Investing in Technology**

Incorporate new and innovative technologies to reduce maintenance and operating costs without sacrificing quality and effectiveness.

 LEED-certified buildings – Develop construction plans for maintenance facilities and other buildings that meet standards for Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) and other green certification standards.

**Intelligent Transportation Systems** – Installation and use of dynamic message signs, portable changeable message signs, cameras and other technologies to enhance safety and reduce delays; every minute of delay can result in four to nine minutes of congestion.

### **Budget Cuts and Increased Transparency and Accountability**

Since April 2010, the Tollway has implemented one-time or multi-year budget cuts of \$62.2 million and more than \$14 million in annual recurring savings.

The Tollway's 2011 Budget includes a nearly 4 percent cut in operating expenses from the original 2010 Budget. This marked the first time in Illinois Tollway history that the annual operating budget is less than the year before.

#### Reducing spending and doing more with less

- Eliminated 106 vacant positions from the Tollway's 2011 Budget a 6 percent cut from the budget for a total of 1,598 employees
  - o Represents 328 positions and a 17 percent cut in the Tollway's workforce since 2002
- Strengthened our processes for collecting toll violation fines and fees to ensure that the Tollway is collecting all that is owed to us
  - Collected nearly \$5 million from Indiana violators in 2010
  - o Will collect an additional \$1 million annually from other out-of-state customers

#### Additional cost-savings initiatives underway

- Explored new ways to generate non-toll revenue, including finding a corporate sponsor for the Tollway's H.E.L.P. Truck Program
- Leveraging research partnerships to reduce costs conduct focus group project with the University of Illinois at Chicago and sponsored a Research Symposium in June 2011

#### Increased transparency and accountability

- Webcasting live all Board and Committee meetings on the Tollway's Web site
- Posting all FOIA requests and construction project budget and completion information on the Tollway's Web site
- Created a new Office of the Tollway Inspector General to investigate fraud, waste and abuse
- Launched a new feature that allows customers to view license plate images and dispute toll violations online
- Audited use of employee assets, including permanently assigned vehicles, transponders, laptops, Blackberries and cell phones

### Illinois Tollway is a Good Value



#### The Illinois Tollway has continued to provide drivers great value for their money over the past 52 years

- When the Tollway opened for business in 1958, toll rates were set at 30 cents
- Seventy five percent of Tollway users drive passenger cars with I-PASS and have not seen a toll rate increase since 1983 – 28 years

#### The Illinois Tollway offers customers one of the lowest toll rates in the nation

- The Illinois Tollway continues to offer rates below the national average 7 cents per mile
- The Illinois Tollway currently has the second lowest per-mile rate of any toll road in the nation no other drivers on toll roads elsewhere in the U.S. have gone without a toll increase since 1983
- With the proposed increase, the Illinois Tollway will rank 29 among all 41 toll road agencies in the U.S. in terms of price still in the bottom third and just 6 cents per mile

#### What it means for customers

- The preliminary plan includes a toll rate increase of 35 cents at a typical toll plaza for I-PASS customers
- With this increase, the cost of a car trip on the Tollway system for an average I-PASS customer would be \$1.18 – up from today's average of 63 cents per trip and an increase of \$2.75 a week or \$11.00 a month

#### The Illinois Tollway's rates are a bargain compared to many other consumer goods.

• When adjusted for inflation, 40 cents in 1983 is equivalent to 90 cents today, and the proposed new rates are still lower than if they had kept pace with inflation

	1958	1983	2011	
First-class postage stamp	.04	.20	.44	
White bread per pound	.19	.54	\$1.59	
Full-size car	\$2,200	\$10,627	\$35,655	
Average home	\$36,500	\$86,200	\$126,100	
McDonald's hamburger	.15	.50	\$1.00	
Daily Herald	.10	.25	1.00	
Chicago Tribune	.07	.25	1.00	
Chicago Sun-Times	.07	.25	.75	
Rockford Register Star	.10	.25	1.00	
SouthtownStar	.10	.25	.75	



### **Comparison of Toll Rates - Trucks**

The commercial vehicle increase previously approved by the Tollway Board in 2008 will remain. Commercial rates are scheduled to increase a total of 60 percent between 2015 and 2017 and are tied to the Consumer Price Index beginning in 2018.

	Agency	\$ / Mile (Facility Vielonted)	Last Toll Rate Change	
	Skyway Concession Company (PPP) (Chicago, IL)	2 154	Janua n 1, 2011	
	Harris County Toll Road Authority (Houston, TX)	1.698	February 25, 2011	
	Northwest Parkway LLC (PPP) (Denver, CO)	1.240	January 1, 2010	
	Transportation Comptor Agencies (Orange County, CA)	1,146	July 1, 2011	
		1.052	May 1, 2009	
	Mary and Transportation Authority			
	E-470 Public Highway Authority (PPP) (Deriver, CO)	1.001	Janua y 1, 2011	
	Nacoualité (PPP) (Dulles Greenway, Washington DC)	0.964	July 1, 2010	
	Folt Bend County Toll Road Authority (Houston, TX)	0.837	January 1, 2009	
	California Transportation Ventures, Inc. (PPP) (South Bay Expressway, San Diego, CA)	0.770	June 1, 2011	
	Mami Dade Expressway Authority	0.715	July 17, 2010	
	Central Texas Regional Mobility Authority (Austin, TX)	0.690	January 1, 2010	
	Transuitean (PPP) (Pocahontas Parkway, Richmond, VA)	0.682	February 7, 2011	
	Tampa-Hillsbo rough Expressway Authority	0.667	September 17, 2010	
	Central Texas Turnpike System (Austin, TX)	0.602	May 7, 2009	
5	North Texas Tollway Authority (Dallas, TX)	0.587	July 1, 2011	
	Osceola County (Orlando, FL)	0.565	April 1, 2009	
	South Carolina DOT	0.500	March 30, 2008	
- 1	Delaware DOT	0.500		
1			October 1, 2007	
	Beach Express (Private) (Gulf Coast Region, AL)	0.444	January 1, 2010	
	Connector 2000 Association, Inc. (PPP) (Greenville Southern Connector, Greenville, SC)	0.438	November 1, 2009	
	Texas Tollways, Texas Department of Transportation (Laredo, TX and Tyler, TX)	0.415	June 1, 2009	
	Orlando-Orange County Expressivaly Authority	0.393	April 5, 2009	
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	Georda State Road and Tollway Authority	0.355		
	Illinois State Toll Highway Authority	0.349	January 1, 2005	
	Richmond Metropolitan Authority (Richmond, VA)	0.347	September 8, 2008	
	South Jersey Transportation Authority	0.319	November 18, 2008	
	Florida Department of Transportation (includes Florida Tumpike Enterorise)	0.290	March 1, 2004	
	Metropolitan Washington Aliports Authority (Dulle's Toll Road, Washington DC)	0.251	January 1, 2011	
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	City of Chesapeake (VA)		May 1, 2011	Prepared by
	Indiana Toll Road Concession Company (PPP)	0.230	JULY 1, 2011	Frepared by
	New Hampshire DOT	0.209	July 1, 2009	Wilbur Smith
	Massachusetts Department of Transportation	0.202	January 1, 2008	winbur smith
	New Jersey Tump ke Authority	0.201	December 1, 2008	Associates – a
	Oklaho ma Turnpike Authority	0.196	Au quist 4, 2009	Associates – a
	West Virginia Parkways Authority	0.184	August 1, 2009	.674 2044
	Maine Tumpike Authority	0.176	February 1, 2009	of 7.1.2011
	New York State Throway	0.173	Janua tr 3, 2009	
	Virona DOT	0.150	canadity of roop	
	Ohio Tumpike Commission	0.133	October 1, 2009	
	Kansas Tumpke Autority	0.120	October 1, 2009	
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	National Average	0.509		

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### A Toll Increase is Necessary



The proposed capital plan is financed by bonds backed by a toll increase for passenger vehicles, including those with I-PASS, and a previously approved commercial toll rate increase beginning in 2015.

#### The Illinois Tollway is a user-fee system

- No state or federal tax dollars are used to support the maintenance and operation of the Tollway system
- Only drivers who choose to use the Tollway pay for the Tollway

#### A gas tax increase would be needed without the Tollway

- Without the Illinois Tollway, the state would need to raise the gas tax by about 9 cents a gallon statewide to pay for maintenance and operation of existing Tollway roads – or 11-12 cents a gallon if the tax was only applied to the Tollway's 12-county service area
- To fund the infrastructure improvements included in this capital plan, the state would need to raise the gas tax by more than 20 cents a gallon

#### The proposed toll increase offers a fair and reasonable balance for customers

- Preliminary plan includes a toll rate increase of 35 cents at a typical mainline toll plaza
- With this increase, the average car trip on the Tollway system for an I-PASS customer would be \$1.18 up from today's average of 63 cents per trip an increase of \$2.75 a week or \$11 a month.
- Seventy-five percent of the Tollway's customers have not had a toll increase since 1983 28 years ago
- The last time the Tollway adjusted toll rates was 2005, doubling cash tolls for cars, while leaving the price of electronic tolls unchanged. This successfully induced electronic toll payments and, today, more than 83 percent of the Tollway's transactions are electronic

#### I thought the Tollway would be free one day?

- The Illinois Tollway was created by the state legislature in 1953
- A promise was made that once the bonds used to build the original 187 miles of the Illinois Tollway were paid off, the roads would become freeways
- Promise was well-intentioned, but shortsighted
- Promise did not consider the need to maintain the system or need to answer future demands for new roads
- Maintenance and expansion of our roadway infrastructure must be paid for one way or another

#### Illinois Tollway Toll Rate History

