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Northwest Municipal Conference Transportation Committee Agenda

Thursday, October 22, 2026
8:30 a.m.

NWMC Offices or via Video Conference

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88398424107>

Meeting ID: 883 9842 4107

Passcode: 886152

- I. **Call to Order/Introductions**
- II. **Approval of September 24, 2026 Meeting Minutes (Attachment A)**
Action Requested: Approve Minutes
- III. **Agency Reports**
 1. Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (Attachment B)
 2. IDOT Local Roads Update (Attachment C)
 3. IDOT Highways Report
 4. Illinois Tollway (Attachment D)
 5. Metra
 6. Pace (Attachment E)
 7. NITA (Attachment F)
 8. Cook County Department of Transportation and Highways (Attachment G)
 9. Collar County Departments of Transportation
- IV. **Illinois Active Transportation Plan**

IDOT staff will share the recently completed Active Transportation Plan, the Local Implementation Guide, and the IDOT Council on Bikeways.

Action Requested: Informational/Discussion
- V. **Funding and Planning Opportunities**

Staff will provide an update on funding and planning opportunities.

 - 1) [STP-Shared Fund](#), [CMAQ](#), and [TAP-L](#)
 - 2) [Invest in Cook](#)**Action Requested:** Informational
- VI. **Other Business**
- VII. **Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the NWMC Transportation Committee is scheduled for Thursday, November 19, 2026 at 8:30 a.m. at the NWMC offices and virtually via Zoom.
- VIII. **Adjourn**

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**Northwest Municipal Conference
Transportation Committee
Meeting Minutes
Thursday, September 24, 2026
8:30 a.m.**

NWMC Offices and via Video Conference**Members Present**

Paul Hoefert, Mayor, Mount Prospect, Chair
Bill Manganaro, Trustee, Arlington Heights
Ryan Grassly, Barrington
Briget Schwab, Buffalo Grove
Bob Benton, Trustee, Deerfield
Maggie Jablonski, Elk Grove Village
Rodney Craig, Mayor, Hanover Park
Bill McLeod, Mayor, Hoffman Estates
Terri Gens, Trustee, Mount Prospect
Bob Israel, Trustee, Northbrook
Brandon Saccone, Palatine
Peter Falcone, Prospect Heights
Brian Bieschke, Trustee, Schaumburg
Aldair Vargas, Streamwood
Dan Kaup, Wheeling

Others Present

Heather Lis, Barrington
Adam Dow, Buffalo Grove
Eric Schmidt, Elk Grove Village
Sarah FioRito, Evanston
Jordan Schmidt, Kenilworth
Aram Beladi, Northbrook
Tom Powers, Winnetka
Ryan Ruehle, Cook County Department of Transportation and Highways
Katie Herdus, IDOT
Kyle Bochte, IDOT
Kelsey Passi, Illinois Tollway
Jess Rybarczyk, Pace
Heather Mullins, NITA
Michael Horsting, NITA
Zach Braun, NITA
Steve Kotecki, Ciorba
Joseph Cwynar, EEI
Tom Gill, Thomas Engineering Group
Mark Fowler, NWMC
Larry Bury, NWMC
Eric Czarnota, NWMC
Brian Larson, NWMC

I. Call to Order/Introductions

Mayor Hoefert called the meeting to order at 8:32 a.m.

II. Approval of April 23, 2026 Meeting Minutes

Mayor McLeod moved approval of the April 23, 2026 meeting minutes. Trustee Israel seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

III. Approval of May 21, 2026 Meeting Minutes

Mayor McLeod moved approval of the May 21, 2026 meeting minutes. Trustee Bieschke seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

IV. Agency Reports**1. Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning**

A written report was provided. Trustee Israel encouraged members to look at how Kane County has adopted a countywide Climate Action Plan. He said that Northbrook has adopted a Climate Action Plan, reducing its carbon footprint by 50% per audits, and recommended its local adoption and use as a tool.

2. IDOT Local Roads Update

No report attached.

3. IDOT Highways Report

Ms. Herdus introduced Mr. Bochte as the IDOT acting area programmer. Mr. Bochte shared that Route 53 staging has been updated, with completion anticipated for the 2026 season. Mr. Czarnota said that the IDOT highway sheets for North Shore and Northwest Council of Mayors would be shared after the meeting.

Trustee Manganaro asked if there was additional information about the Route 53 barrier mishap and the resulting Palatine Road closure. Mr. Bochte replied he would follow up after the meeting with details.

Mayor Hoefert requested that IDOT investigate implementation of the HAWK pedestrian crossing system at the state level. Mr. Czarnota said that NWMC staff can follow up with IDOT regarding use of this infrastructure. Ms. Herdus said that Mr. Bochte can work with the Bureau of Traffic to address Mayor Hoefert's request.

4. Illinois Tollway

Ms. Passi reported on the Tollway's largest capital plan, Driving Connections, which includes the first toll increase in 15 years for passenger vehicle drivers.

Mayor Hoefert asked how commercial toll rates were affected. Ms. Passi said rates increased as well and she could obtain the percentage. Mayor Hoefert expressed concern about increased inflation and the impacts on waste hauling and other transportation costs. He asked if increases were tied to the Consumer Price Index. Ms. Passi replied yes.

5. Metra

No report attached.

6. Pace

Ms. Rybarczyk reported that eight new Pace board members were introduced at the September board meeting. She said the board selected Romeoville Mayor John Noak as Pace Board Chair, noting that he will also be a NITA board member.

Ms. Rybarczyk announced that the Pace ReVision draft final plan will be presented at the October 21 Pace Board meeting and will be released for public comment afterward. Ms. Rybarczyk said she would share additional information about ReVision at the next NWMC Transportation Committee meeting. She asked that members with upcoming public events following October 21 to include Pace so that public comment can be collected.

Ms. Rybarczyk stated that Pace had an August ridership of 2.1 million rides, with ridership trends increasing. She said that Pace is obtaining certification from the Federal Transit Administration to include automatic passenger counters on vehicles. Ms. Rybarczyk said that Pace has launched new messaging to address fare evasion, in partnership with support from the Cook County Sheriff's Office.

Ms. Rybarczyk announced that Pace is launching the Pace Little Library Program and will be installing small lending libraries at Pace stations in Elgin, the Northwest Transportation Center, Bolingbrook, Harvey, and Barrington Road.

Ms. Rybarczyk reported that the Access Pilot Program has been expanded to provide reduced fares to SNAP participants who ride CTA and Pace, now covering all three transit agencies. She announced that the Soldier Field Express service has resumed from the Northwest Transportation Center.

Mayor Hoefert asked how riders evade paying fares. Ms. Rybarczyk replied that Pace faces non-paying riders daily and their drivers have been instructed not to escalate. Trustee Benton added the goal in avoiding escalation is to avoid conflict and injury to drivers. Trustee Benton said he appreciated the Little Free Library program and suggested getting retired materials from libraries.

7. NITA

Mr. Braun reported that the NITA board met for the first time in September, selecting Tom Kotaric as Chair, and appointing Jamie Rhee as Interim Executive Director. He said that the NITA Board expanded the Access Pilot Program to CTA and Pace for SNAP recipients for 50% fares starting October 1, and existing riders do not need to re-enroll. Mr. Braun requested help from the membership in notifying residents about the program.

Mr. Braun noted that NITA has published an impact map of the People Over Parking Act. He added that the new website is nita.illinois.gov, and all web domains are being updated accordingly, requesting that email contacts be updated.

Trustee Israel praised the selections of Tom Kotaric and Jamie Rhee.

8. Cook County Department of Transportation and Highways

Mr. Ruehle reported that all active roadway projects were included in the packet. He added that Invest in Cook 2026 awardees have been announced, with \$8.3 million to 36 recipients, with nine NWMC members receiving

awards, noting that the program has distributed over \$81 million since its inception. ATTACHMENT A

Mr. Ruehle noted the Cook County Bike Share Feasibility Study has been completed and posted to the website. He added that Cook County has launched an Expressway Crossing Study to identify locations for pedestrians and bicyclists to cross expressways and highways and to assess barriers to transportation. Mayor Hoefert asked whether the study would result in overpass or underpass projects. Mr. Ruehle said projects would likely be underpasses, but the study is investigating both options. Trustee Gens asked whether a municipality could put forward a specific location for a crossing. Mr. Ruehle said that external outreach will be a component and that he will get back to the committee when that becomes available.

Trustee Israel asked about the progress on the Skokie Valley Trail extension. Mr. Ruehle said he will look into the matter and get back on this.

9. Collar County Departments of Transportation

Mr. Larson reported that DuPage County has launched Link Up DuPage, a study for countywide consolidation of on-demand transit services.

V. 2026-2027 Meeting Dates

Mr. Czarnota presented the proposed meeting dates for 2026-2027.

Trustee Gens moved to approve the proposed meeting dates for 2026-2027. Mayor McLeod seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

VI. Northern Illinois Transit Authority (NITA) Implementation Update

Mr. Czarnota provided an update on the Northern Illinois Transit Authority (NITA), which officially replaced the Regional Transportation Authority (RTA) on September 1. He provided information on the implementation status of NITA's state mandates, new board and chair selections, key deadlines and outreach to NITA/Service Board members.

Ms. Mullins and Mr. Horsting provided an overview of the People Over Parking Act (POPA). Ms. Mullins explained that development agreements prior to June 1, 2026 are not affected by POPA, and NITA is accepting public comments through October 9 on NITA's POPA map and methodology. Ms. Mullins announced that NITA is developing model zoning and parking regulation ordinances to be completed by the end of the year and is offering zoning update assistance to municipalities. Mayor Hoefert expressed concern about the impacts of POPA on local control and meeting local needs.

Trustee Bieschke asked if ADA parking minimums are prohibited. Mr. Horsting clarified that ADA parking was not addressed in POPA. Trustee Israel asked that if the developer is responsible for their own parking requirements, would they need to determine their own parking needs. Ms. Mullins noted that a developer can still propose a project with parking but that they are no longer required to provide a minimum amount.

Ms. Fiorito shared recent research from the UCLA Institute of Transportation Studies on parking minimums.

VII. Funding and Planning Opportunities

Mr. Larson provided an update on funding and planning opportunities, including the Cook County Bicycle and Pedestrian Expressway Crossing Study, ITEP, and PROTECT.

VIII. Other Business

No other business.

IX. Next Meeting

Mayor Hoefert announced that the next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 22, 2026 at 8:30 a.m. at the NWMC offices and virtually via Zoom.

X. Adjourn

Mayor McLeod moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:30 a.m. Trustee Israel seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

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CMAP news

2026 Municipal Survey

CMAP invites all 284 municipalities in northeastern Illinois to participate in the 2026 Municipal Survey, with the deadline for responses **extended to October 23 at 5pm**. Conducted every two years, the survey helps CMAP better understand local priorities, challenges, and capacity so the agency can provide more responsive technical assistance, inform policy analysis, and track progress towards regional goals.

The survey consists of five topics, so municipalities are encouraged to complete the survey together with other staff who may be helpful in answering some of the questions. Municipalities can view and complete the survey online by following [this link](#). If you have any questions or would like assistance, please reach out to the Municipal Survey team at municipalsurvey@cmmap.illinois.gov.

2026 Regional Transportation Plan

At its September meeting, CMAP's Transportation Committee recommended the draft 2026 [Regional Transportation Plan](#) (RTP), FFY 2027-32 [Transportation Improvement Program](#) (TIP), and Air Quality Conformity Determination for approval. CMAP will present the final plan for adoption to the [CMAP Board](#) and the [MPO Policy Committee](#) on **October 14, 2026**.

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.

Job opportunities

CMAP is hiring for full-time positions: a [GIS Architect](#) in the new Technology, Data, & Applications division; an [Accountant](#) in the Finance division. Visit CMAP's [Careers page](#) to learn more.

Program status updates

Surface Transportation Program (STP)

The [STP Project Selection Committee](#) last met on August 27, 2026. The committee's next meeting is scheduled for **November 5, 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](#).

See the *Funding Opportunities* section below for information about the upcoming call for FFY 2028-2032 projects.

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

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 August 27, 2026. The committee's next meeting is scheduled for **November 5, 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](#).

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See the *Funding Opportunities* section below for information about the upcoming call for FFY 2028-2032 projects.

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

Safe Travel for All Roadmap (STAR)

CMAAP'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, CMAAP 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

CMAAP 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 [CMAAP webpage](#) and in the Accessible Communities newsletter. Recordings and slides for CMAAP's ADA trainings, which cover ADA and Title II requirements, self-evaluations, the role of an ADA coordinator, transition plans, and PROWAG are [available](#). CMAAP 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)

CMAAP products and data

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

The Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAAP) 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 [CMAAP's Data Hub](#).

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

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Land Use Inventory provides updated look at northeastern Illinois

CMAAP'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 CMAAP, 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

CMAAP, 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.

Transportation Resilience Improvement Plan (TRIP)

In partnership with regional stakeholders, CMAAP 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](#).

Explore the CMAAP data hub

CMAAP'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 Information Technology Accessibility Act (IITAA)

On September 8, 2026, IDOT released [Circular Letter 2026-12](#) outlining the IITAA requirements. This act requires Illinois agencies to ensure that their websites, information systems, and information technologies are accessible to people with disabilities.

The IITAA does not directly apply to local governments' websites and documents. However, because LPAs use State of Illinois materials to conduct governmental business, they will be affected by IDOT's implementation of the IITAA. All plans submitted to IDOT on behalf of an LPA for advertising on IDOT's website shall include a statement on the cover sheet regarding the document's accessibility.

For more information on the IITAA standards, refer to the Illinois Department of Innovation and Technology's (DoIT) [webpage](#).

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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](#).

2025 IDOT crash data

On August 24, 2026, IDOT released [Circular Letter 2026-09](#) announcing the availability of 2025 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

CMAP FFY 2028-2032 Call for Projects: STP-Shared Fund, CMAQ, and TAP-L

Funding will be available for the [STP-Shared Fund](#), [CMAQ](#), and [TAP-L](#) fund sources. The biennial call for projects administered by CMAP staff will be open from **October 19 through December 18, 2026**. Detailed information about eligibility, the application process, and FAQs will be available on October 19, 2026 at [CMAP's website](#).

An informational webinar about the call will be held at 10:00 a.m. on **Wednesday, October 28** and [registration is now open](#). A recording of the presentation will be made available online.

Training opportunities

IDOT BLRS 2025 T2 training

IDOT's Technology Transfer (T2) Center has the [Fall 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 webpage](#). 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 – November 2026

- 11/23/25:** Final PS&E and draft agreements due for projects targeting the March 2027 state letting
Final funding agreements and ROW documents due for projects targeting the January 2027 state letting
- 11/25/26:** ROW certification due for projects targeting the January 2027 state 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 [webpage](#) (Refreshed prior to each call)
- CMAP's [CMAQ and TAP-L Program Management and Resources webpage](#)

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	GLENCOE 250006900BT MS1020 - Old Green Bay R Hazel Ave to South Ave BIKEWAYS	1,463,400	02-25-0025 E1: / / / / E2: / / / / RW: / / / / C: FFY27 / STE / 1,463,400 / 1,170,720 /	CE 1 7 /23/2025	NR		No		1/15/2027	AH CR CBBEL	NR	NR	* * * * * * * * *
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2	GLENVIEW 220020600CH FAU1292 - E Lake AVE AT Waukegan RD PAVEMENT WIDENING	6,983,276	02-19-0016 E1: / / / / E2: FFY23 / CMAQ / 435,000 / 348,000 / RW: FFY25 / CMAQ / 210,000 / 168,000 / C: FFY25 / CMAQ / 6,983,276 / 5,120,882 /	CE 1 3 /26/2024			Yes A 8 /4 /2026		9/18/2026 8,323,479	AH CR Civiltech	NR	NR	* * * * * * * * *
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3	GLENVIEW 240021200RS FAU2766 - Lehigh/Harlem Lake Av to Dewes St RESURFACING MODERNIZE TRAFFIC SIGNALS	5,520,000	02-22-0016 E1: / / / / E2: / / / / RW: / / / / C: FFY26 / STPL / 5,520,000 / 4,416,000 /	CE 1 6 /5 /2025	NR		No		11/6/2026	AH CR B & W	NR	NR	* * * * * * * * *
3507			/ / / / / / / / / / / / / / / /			REMARKS: Also Glenview Rd from Washington St to Meta RR.							* * * * * * * * *
4	GLENVIEW 250021700BT Var - ~38 locations Villagewide BP SIGNINGS/MARKINGS	233,200	02-26-0001 E1: / / / / E2: / / / / RW: / / / / C: FFY26 / STE / 233,200 / 186,560 / / ILL / 46,640 /	CE 1 2 /10/2026	NR		No		9/18/2026 443,998	AH CR B & W	NR	NR	* * * * * * * * *
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5	LINCOLNWOOD 180006600CH	FAP0350 - Cicero Ave Touhy Ave	2,220,000	02-19-0008	CE 1	NR	Yes		6/11/2027	AH CR Stanley	NR	* * * * * * * * * *
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3243						REMARKS:						
6	NORTHBROOK 240018700RS	FAU1274 - Walters Ave Pfungsten Rd to Shermer Rd RESURFACING	1,159,000		CE 1				3/5/2027	AH CR GHA	NR	* * * * * * * * * *
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3549						REMARKS:						
7	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	* * * * * * * * * *
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3249						REMARKS:						
8	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	* * * * * * * * * *
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ATTACHMENT C

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Illinois Tollway Report

At \$26.5 billion, *Driving Connections* is the largest capital program in Tollway history and one of the most significant transportation investments ever undertaken by our agency. It reflects a commitment to strengthening our transportation network, supporting economic opportunity and enhancing mobility throughout the region.

The Illinois Tollway's new capital program, and the new toll rates that will fund these investments, are about planning responsibly for the future of a transportation system that is critical to our region.

The Tollway is a user-fee system – no state or federal tax dollars are used to support maintenance and operations. Toll revenues do not go into the Illinois general road fund and the Tollway does not fund any public transit operations.

The new toll rate plan represents the first toll increase in 15 years for passenger vehicle drivers, who comprise approximately 87 percent of the Illinois Tollway's 1.7 million daily users.

Driving Connections projects were developed through thoughtful engagement with communities and stakeholders, as well as technical expertise from the Tollway's general engineering and transportation engineering consultants. The program is fiscally responsible and balances the needs of the Tollway system while maintaining affordability for our customers.

Every corridor in the Illinois Tollway contributes to the success of the state and the region, and every corridor will benefit from the \$26.5 billion *Driving Connections* capital program.

Driving Connections is much more than a collection of projects. It is a shared average annual investment of \$1.8 billion in the people, communities and businesses that depend on the Illinois Tollway every day.

In keeping with the goal of affordability, the Illinois Tollway is required to set tolls at the lowest possible rates needed to maintain our system and deliver identified system improvements.

The new tolling plan provides increased predictability and will allow the Tollway to deliver major capital projects responsibly while maintaining long-term financial stability.

Even with the increase, Tollway rates will remain among the lowest nationally for passenger cars at \$0.11 per mile – below the national average of \$0.16 per mile.

The Tollway offers programs to help ensure that the Tollway remains affordable for those who need it. We offer several ways to pay but using an I-PASS Sticker Tag is the easiest and most affordable option, saving 50% on tolls.

The Tollway also offers I-PASS Assist which helps income-eligible individuals and families realize the benefits of I-PASS.

To learn more about the projects in *Driving Connections* or the associated toll adjustments, please visit IllinoisTollway.com/drivingconnections

If you have any questions, please contact Kelsey Passi at kpassi@getipass.com

Your feedback helps shape a transit network that works for all!



ReVision: Pace's Network Restructuring Project UPDATE

As our region emerges from the pandemic, we recognize that travel patterns have changed—and Pace must evolve to meet the needs of today's and tomorrow's riders. Our goal is to update and modernize our service offerings to remain good stewards of taxpayer resources while maximizing access to jobs, education, healthcare, and other key destinations. Additionally, thanks to the new funding provided for in Public Act 104-0457, Pace has the resources to expand service in ways that suburban stakeholders have been clamoring for for years.

ReVision is Pace's strategic planning initiative to redesign and expand our bus and On Demand service network in response to these changing needs. It reflects our commitment to building a transit system that aligns with current travel patterns, supports regional growth, and delivers better service to riders. The initiative is grounded in the values of accessibility, equity, and productivity outlined in the *Driving Innovation* strategic plan.

To meet the goals of ReVision, the Pace team has spent months analyzing existing services, demographic and travel trends, and gathering public input. This work culminated in the release of three network concepts, each offering a different vision for where and how often Pace routes should run, and what types of service are best suited for different parts of the region. These concepts highlighted key trade-offs—such as ridership versus coverage—and showed what could be possible with additional investment.

Following the release of the concepts, Pace conducted a public survey to gather feedback from riders and communities. This input, along with continued market analysis and stakeholder engagement, as well as input from the future NITA Board, will inform a Draft Plan and, after additional stakeholder input, a Final Plan.

There are still additional opportunities for the public to provide input throughout this process. To stay informed and engaged, visit PaceBus.com/ReVision and sign up for email alerts. Your feedback is essential in shaping a transit network that works for all.

Stay Informed and engaged!

Visit: PaceBus.com/ReVision to provide feedback & sign up for email or text alerts





MEMORANDUM

October Local Government Update

NITA to host public open house October 14

Join NITA for an interactive public open house and share your ideas for the future of transit across the region. The event is designed for you to explore at your own pace, walk through the rider journey on the regional transit system, discuss pain points and future improvements, and learn more about what the Northern Illinois Transit Authority (NITA), CTA, Metra, and Pace have planned for regional transit in 2027 and beyond. Agency staff will be available to discuss regional service planning, budget priorities for next year, capital investments, safety, and the rider experience. There will also be tables on doing business with the regional transit system and applying to work at the agencies. [Learn more and register online.](#)

- Chicago Union Station, 225 S. Canal St., Burlington Room
- Wednesday, October 14, 3-6 p.m.

NITA seeking feedback on 2027 Regional Transit Operating Budget and Capital Program through October 16

NITA is responsible for creating and approving a regional budget for the entire Chicago regional transit system including the budgets of CTA, Metra, and Pace. [Take a survey by October 16](#) about what everyday transit service and long-term investments matter most to you. Your responses will help NITA better understand public priorities as we develop the 2027 Regional Transit Budget and plan for future transit improvements. Following this initial engagement period, NITA will release the proposed 2027 Regional Transit Budget on November 3, 2026. Riders and residents will have additional opportunities to review the proposed budget and provide feedback during the formal public comment period before the NITA Board considers its adoption in December.



MEMORANDUM**NITA launches Riders and ADA Advisory Councils, accepting applications**

As NITA builds a unified, rider-focused transit system for the Chicago region, we are inviting riders to help shape that work directly. NITA is now accepting applications for two new volunteer advisory councils: the Riders Advisory Council and the ADA Advisory Council, both required by the NITA Act. The councils will advise the NITA Board on how policies, programs, and services affect the people who ride CTA, Metra, and Pace every day. Applications are open through October 31, 2026, and available on the NITA website:

- [Riders Advisory Council application](#)
- [ADA Advisory Council application](#)

NITA is looking for riders from across Cook County, the collar counties, and the City of Chicago who are passionate about public transit and want to help guide its future. Please share with your networks and learn more at [On Track: A Blog from NITA](#).

Weigh in on People Over Parking Act mapping tool by October 9

An element of the NITA Act is the [People Over Parking Act \(POPA\)](#), a new state law effective June 1, 2026. The new law no longer allows municipalities to impose minimum parking requirements for new developments near transit stations and high-frequency bus routes, applying to new development projects located one-half mile from a Public Transportation Hub or one-eighth of a mile from a Public Transportation Corridor. Weigh in on a [new mapping tool](#) depicting all locations in the region to which POPA applies by submitting a comment on the [NITA website](#) or by emailing communications@nita.illinois.gov. Comments are open through October 9, 2026.



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Invest in Cook 2027: Traffic Safety and ADA Focus

**Councils of Mayors updates
Fall 2026**

Invest in Cook

Over **300** project awards supporting
Connecting Cook County

Multimodal

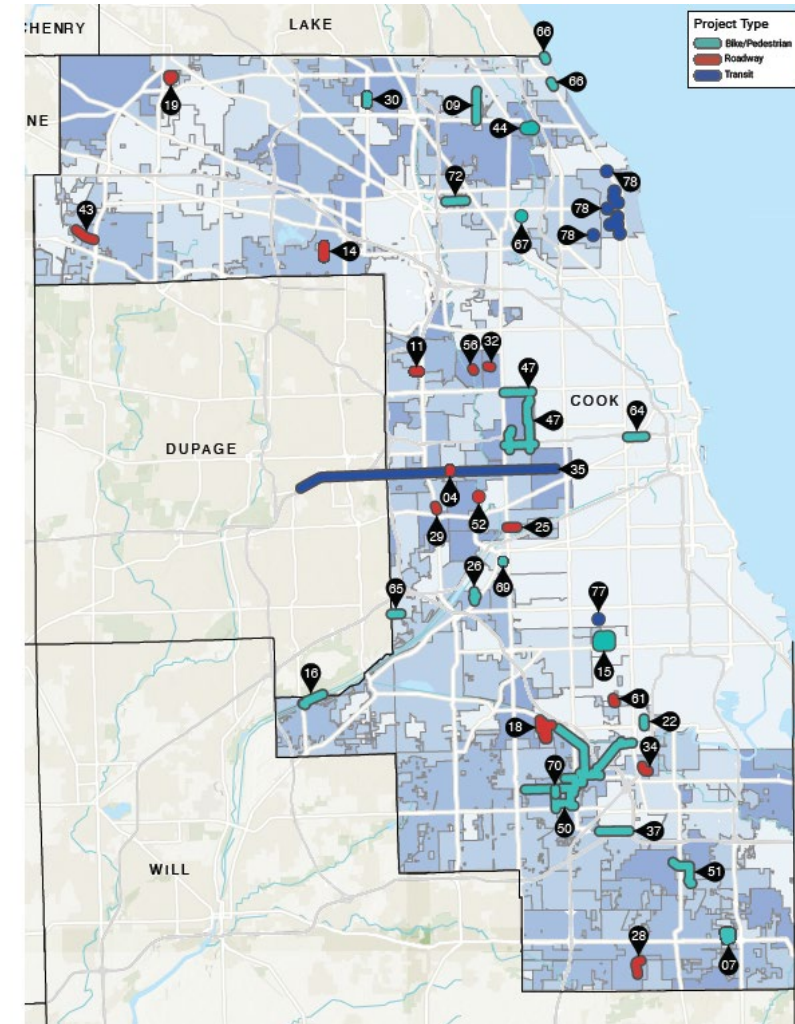
Funds projects from early-stage studies
and pilots to construction

\$8.5 million annually

More than 30 projects funded per year

Average award size: **\$233,000**

Average award rate: **46%**



Cook County Safety Action Plan

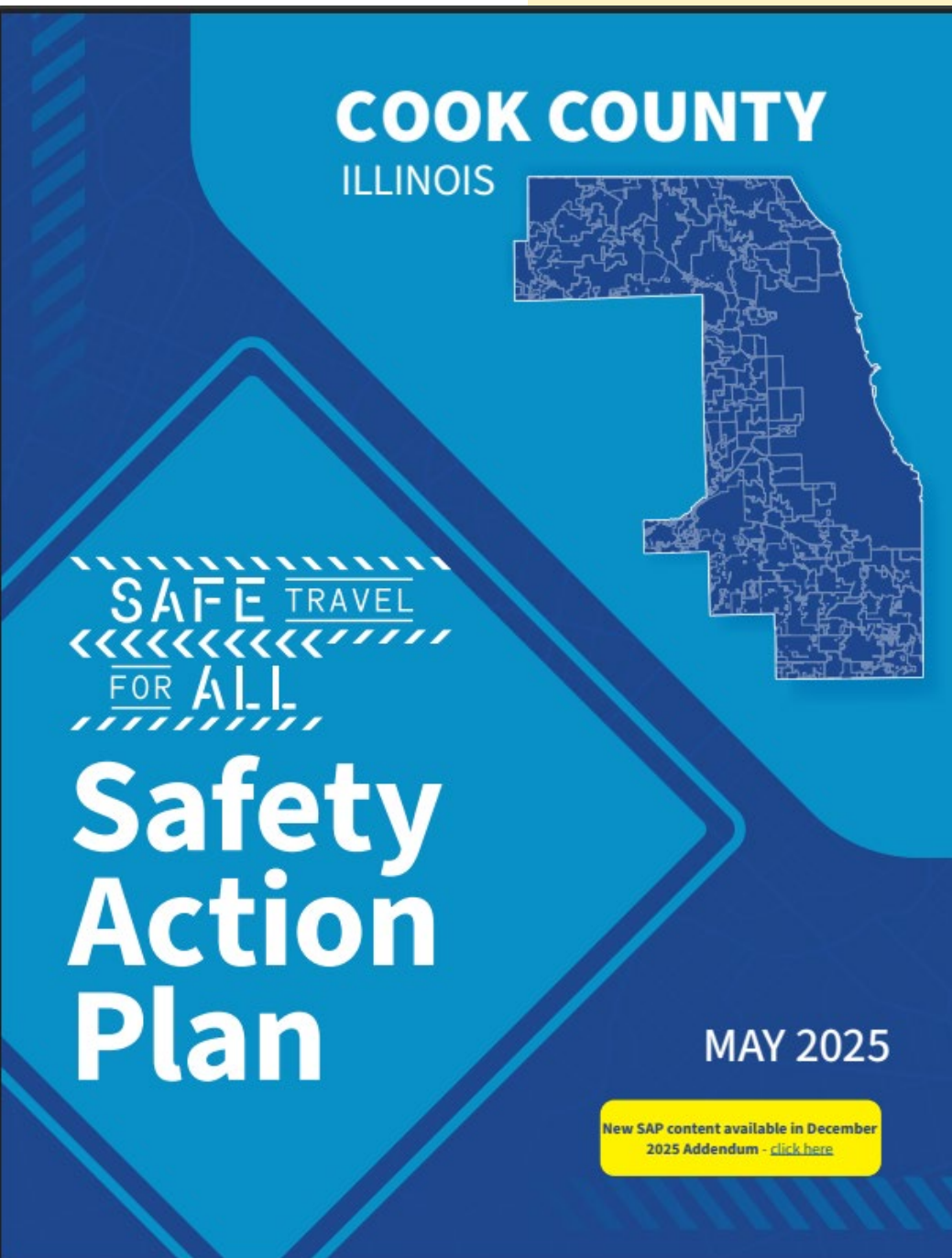
Published in May 2025 | Developed by CMAP in partnership with DoTH

Roadmap for improving traffic safety by reducing the risk of death and serious injury on roads in Cook County

Grounded in concept that traffic casualties are preventable

AIM: systematically address safety risks

GOAL: zero fatalities by 2050



New Invest in Cook Priorities

- Safety
 - Help implement Cook County Safety Action Plan
 - Address high-injury network locations on local streets
- ADA
 - Widespread need for municipalities
 - Many communities have not completed transition plans

Changes for 2027 Invest in Cook

Target roughly half of available funding in 2027 program to safety and ADA projects as a group, depending on application pool

Allow submission of other project types

Communities still limited to submitting one application per cycle

Hold workshops with lower-capacity communities to identify potential safety projects before next call opens

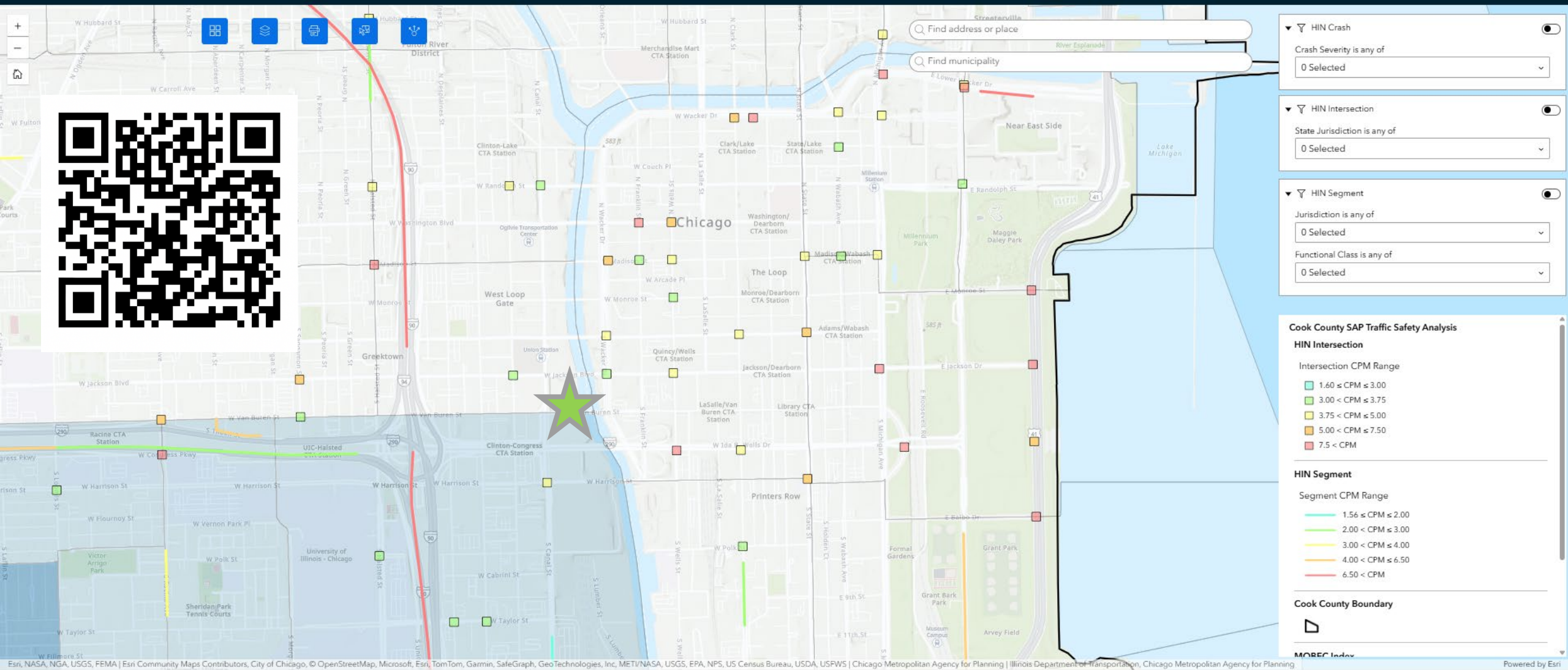
Defining an Eligible Safety Project

- An eligible safety project must either:
 - Address a high-injury location from the SAP with one or more countermeasures listed in the SAP, or
 - Address a systemic risk location with one or more countermeasures listed in the SAP.
- A larger project that includes a countermeasure at an HIN location is eligible
- May be located on a local, County or state road

HIN Map

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Cook County - 2025 Safety Action Plan: High Injury Networks



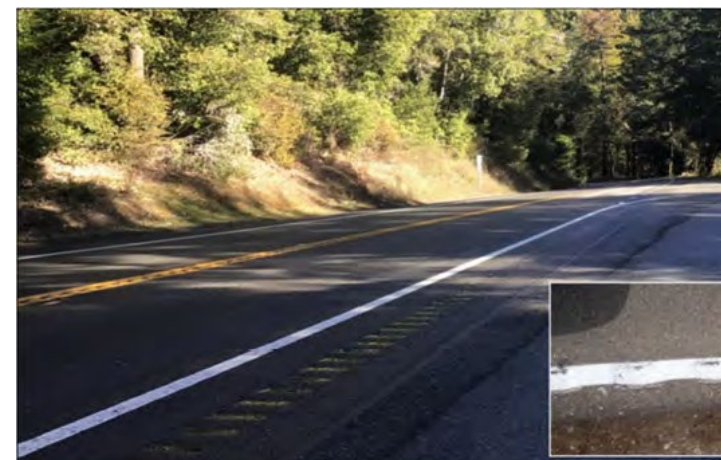
Example Eligible Safety Project Countermeasures



Roundabouts



Offset Turn Lanes



Rumble Strips/High Friction Surface Treatments



Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons



Pedestrian Refuge Islands



Leading Pedestrian Intervals/Pedestrian Countdown Heads

PROWAG/ADA Improvements

- Phases eligible:
 - Planning (IIC will fund transition plans)
 - Engineering
 - ROW
 - Construction
- Eligible project types include:
 - Curb ramp improvements
 - Addition of accessible pedestrian signals
 - Crosswalk improvements
 - Sidewalk reconstruction
 - Concrete boarding areas and curb cuts at bus stops
 - Filling sidewalk gaps (new sidewalk construction is not eligible)



Evaluation

- Expected to be relatively simple, in keeping with current Invest in Cook application materials
- No benefit-cost analysis

Safety Workshops

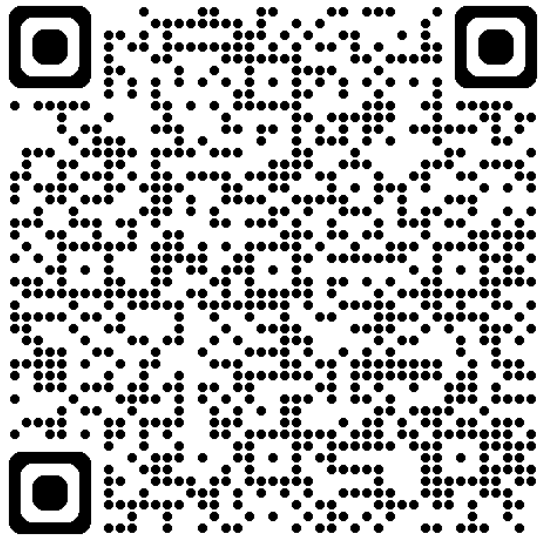
- Lower capacity communities may not know the range of projects they could undertake to address their HIN/risk locations
- DOTH to hold **pilot** supplemental workshops in November ~ December 2026 to develop and review project concepts
- Review to include high-level assessment of cost, safety impact and feasibility
- Expecting to hold 5 workshops
- Limited to cohort 3 and 4 communities
- At least some may be in-person



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Webinar October 29, 10:00-12:00
<https://events.gcc.teams.microsoft.com/event/cab6a9af-86e6-497f-8435-a8953816378f@8b4d55ae-6db4-4e05-a85c-59d6a256cd6e>