

Central Tri-State Tollway (I-294)

Corridor Planning Council

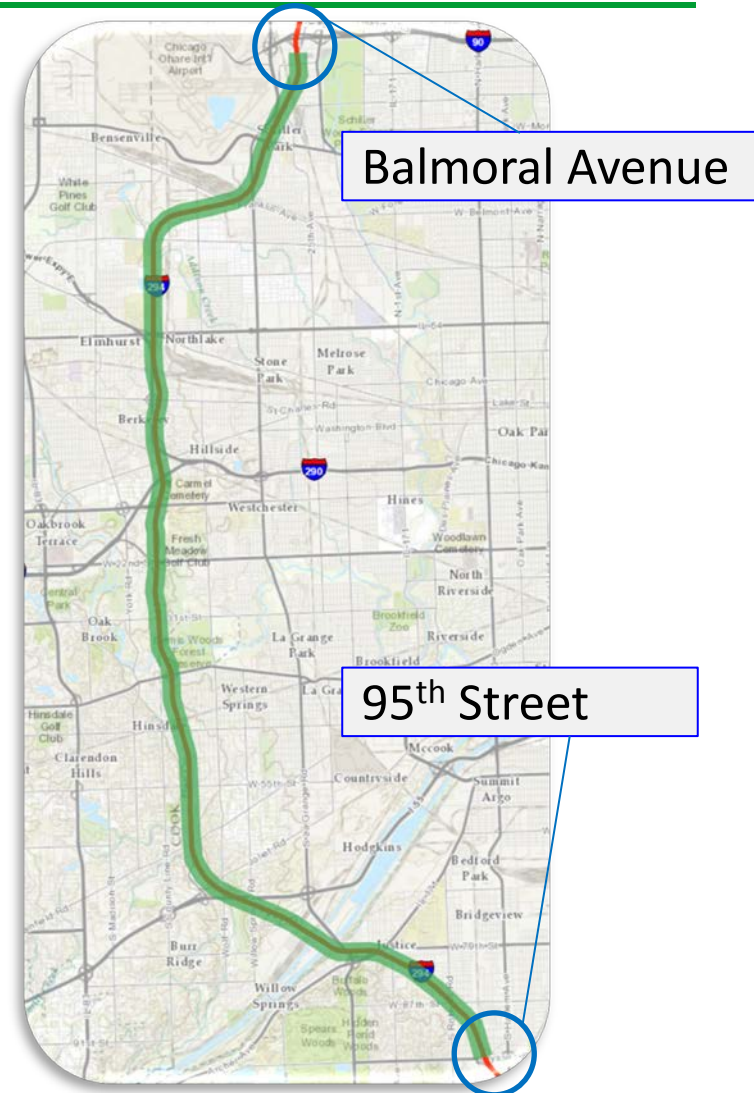
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Agenda

- ▶ **Central Tri-State Tollway (I-294) Project overview**
- ▶ **Central Tri-State Corridor Planning Council**
 - ▶ Initial outreach
 - ▶ Corridor Planning Council mission
 - ▶ Corridor Planning Council membership
 - ▶ Additional stakeholder outreach
- ▶ **Project timeline and next steps**

Central Tri-State Project Limits and Scope

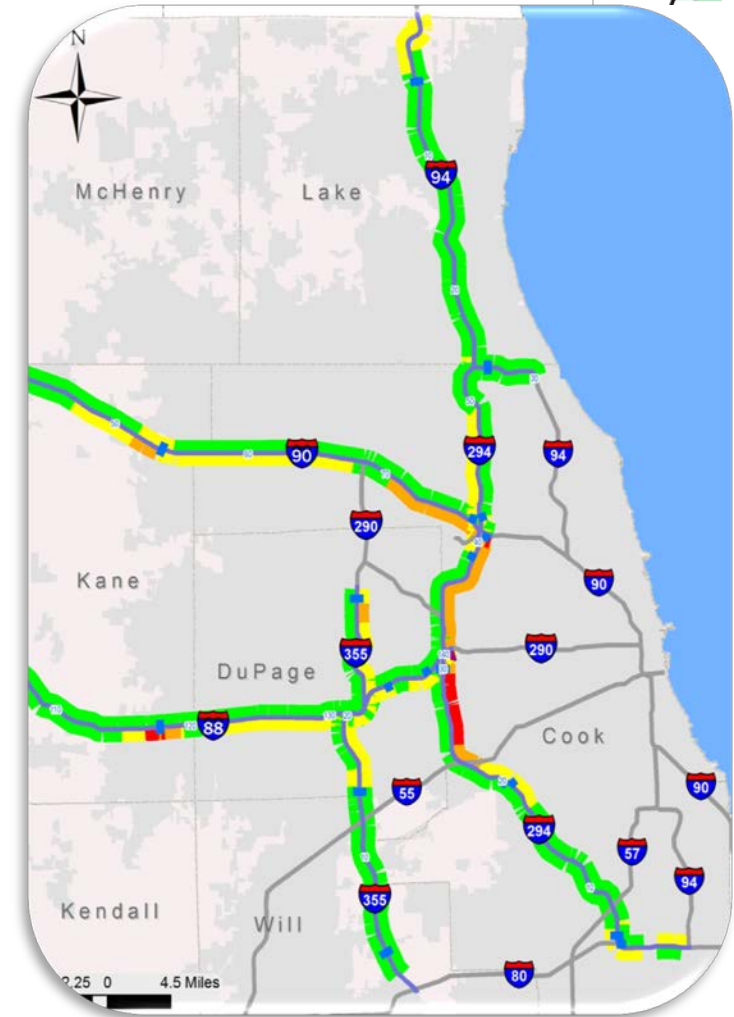
- ▶ **Project limits**
 - ▶ 22.3 miles – 95th Street to Balmoral Avenue
- ▶ **Central Tri-State reconstruction in *Move Illinois* Program scheduled from 2020 to 2022 includes**
 - ▶ Mainline reconstruction = \$1,694 million
 - ▶ Bridge and ramp repairs = \$310 million*



* Entire Tri-State Corridor

Existing Conditions - Traffic

- ▶ **95th Street to O'Hare International Airport**
 - ▶ 2012 average annual daily traffic is highest on Tollway system (from 120,000 to 185,000)
- ▶ **45 percent of systemwide toll revenue generated by Tri-State**
 - ▶ 19 percent generated by Central Tri-State Tollway
- ▶ **Central Tri-State experiences more congestion by lane mile than any other segment of the system**



Central Tri-State Opportunities

- ▶ **Explore roadway improvements**
 - ▶ Reconstruct in-kind
 - ▶ Reconstruct four lanes in each direction with wider median shoulder and inside lane
 - ▶ Reconstruct and widen to five lanes in each direction
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- ▶ **Deploy active traffic management (ATM) similar to eastern segment of Jane Addams Memorial Tollway (I-90)**
- ▶ **Assess transit market and options similar to I-90**
- ▶ **Optimize long-term solution for Mile Long and BNSF Bridges**
- ▶ **Evaluate interchange improvements at multiple locations**
- ▶ **Consider additional truck parking and other freight strategies**

Corridor Planning Council Overview

Initial Outreach

- ▶ **Identify local issues, concerns and opportunities**
- ▶ **Letters sent to 74 communities and other agencies**
- ▶ **General topics of concern**
 - ▶ Congestion and delays on I-294
 - ▶ Operations at I-88/I-290 and 95th Street
 - ▶ Commercial vehicle diversion onto local roads
 - ▶ Traffic noise impacts
 - ▶ Economic development opportunities
 - ▶ Drainage and local flooding
 - ▶ Commercial vehicle parking
 - ▶ Maintenance and aesthetics
- ▶ **Informs Corridor Planning Council membership**

Corridor Planning Council Overview

Corridor Planning Council Mission

- ▶ **Define broader corridor vision and regional role of I-294**
 - ▶ Access, mobility and travel time reliability
 - ▶ Freight movement and accommodations
 - ▶ Economic development
 - ▶ Transit
 - ▶ Sustainable design and community impacts
 - ▶ Stormwater management
- ▶ **Build consensus among key stakeholders**
- ▶ **Recommend long-term transportation solution**
- ▶ **Assist in developing guiding principles for project development and implementation**
- ▶ **Establish working group to focus on environment and sustainability**

Corridor Planning Council Overview

Membership

▶ Agencies

- ▶ Transportation – IDOT, RTA and Pace
- ▶ Government – Cook and DuPage Counties, DCEO, others
- ▶ Community – Councils of government mayoral appointments
- ▶ Resource and Planning – CMAP, MWRD and FPDCC

▶ Advocacy/Civic Organizations

- ▶ Chambers of Commerce
- ▶ Planning and policy
- ▶ Environmental working group representative

▶ Freight

- ▶ Illinois Truckers Association
- ▶ Midwest Trucking Association
- ▶ Illinois State Freight Advisory Council representative
- ▶ World Business Chicago – Supply Chain Innovation Network of Chicago

Additional Outreach Opportunities

Gathering input and sharing information

- ▶ **Stakeholder and community meetings**
 - ▶ All communities and agencies represented
 - ▶ Advocacy organizations affected by project
- ▶ **Public meetings**
- ▶ **Speakers bureau events**
- ▶ **Corridor Planning Council section on Tollway website**

Project Timeline and Next Steps

- ▶ **Award professional services contracts (2015)**
 - ▶ Master plan for Central Tri-State Tollway – two segments
 - ▶ Mile Long Bridge
 - ▶ BNSF Railroad Bridge
- ▶ **Establish Corridor Planning Council membership**
 - ▶ Request agency appointments
 - ▶ Establish Environment and Sustainability Working Group
- ▶ **Central Tri-State Corridor Planning Council schedule**
 - ▶ Summer 2015 – initial meeting
 - ▶ Monthly meetings
 - ▶ Final report to Tollway Board winter/spring 2015/2016
- ▶ **Complete master plan and bridge design (2016-2017)**



THANK YOU
