



MCHENRY COUNTY COUNCIL OF MAYORS

AGENDA

Thursday, January 15, 2026

McHenry County DOT

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9:00 AM

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ALGONQUIN	1. CALL TO ORDER
BARRINGTON HILLS	A. Roll Call/Introductions (Sign-In Sheet)
BULL VALLEY	B. Agenda Changes
CARY	2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – November 15, 2025
CRYSTAL LAKE	3. PUBLIC COMMENT
FOX RIVER GROVE	4. AGENCY REPORTS
GREENWOOD	A. IDOT Highway Report – Katie Herdus
HARVARD	B. Pace Report – Edward Gallagher
HEBRON	C. Metra Update – Katie Dote
HOLIDAY HILLS	D. RTA Update – Kendra Johnson
HUNTLEY	E. McHenry County Division of Transportation
JOHNSBURG	F. Illinois Tollway Update – Kelsey Passi
LAKE IN THE HILLS	G. IDOT STP Local Program Update – Alex Househ
LAKEWOOD	H. CMAP Report – Sarah Stolpe
MARENGO	5. INFORMATION ITEMS
McCULLOM LAKE	A. MCDOT Five Year Program
McHENRY	6. APPROVAL ITEMS
OAKWOOD HILLS	A. STP FY26-30 Funding Schedule
PORT BARRINGTON	B. Meeting Schedule 2026
PRAIRIE GROVE	7. PLANNING LIAISON REPORT
RICHMOND	A. STP Application Update
RINGWOOD	B. Quarterly Status Update
SPRING GROVE	8. OTHER BUSINESS / ANNOUNCEMENTS
TROUT VALLEY	9. NEXT MEETING DATE AND LOCATION
UNION	TBD
WONDER LAKE	10. ADJOURNMENT
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MCHENRY COUNTY COUNCIL OF MAYORS
MEETING MINUTES

Friday, November 21, 2025

Lake in the Hills Village Hall

600 Harvest Gate, Lake in the Hills, IL 60156

9:00 AM

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Mack called the meeting to order at 9:01 AM.

A. Roll Call/Introductions (Sign-In Sheet)

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

Council Members Present:

1. Cliff Ganek – Village of Algonquin
2. Emily Berendt – Village of Bull Valley
3. Abby Wilgreen – City of Crystal Lake
4. Michael Kelly – City of Harvard
5. Tim Farrell – Village of Huntley
6. Ryan McDillon – Village of Lake in the Hills
7. Jon Schmitt – Village of Richmond
8. Rick Mack – Village of Ringwood
9. Bob McMahon – Village of Spring Grove
10. Drew Duffin – McHenry County

B. Agenda Changes

The original agenda showed Other Business as having “Harvard request to adjust Engineering Target Ratio.” Mr. Kelly (Harvard) made a motion to move to approval items, and Mr. McMahon (Spring Grove) seconded. The motion was approved 8-2, with Ms. Berendt (Bull Valley) and Mr. McDillon (Lake in the Hills) voting against.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – May 16, 2025

Approval of the minutes for the May 16, 2025, McHenry County Council of Mayors meeting. A motion was made by Mr. McMahon (Spring Grove), which was seconded by Mr. McDillon (Lake in the Hills). The motion was approved unanimously.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

4. AGENCY REPORTS

- A. Transit Bill SB2111 Summary – David Kovarik
Mr. Kovarik provided a brief update of the state transit bill that passed on October 31, 2025.
- B. IDOT Highway Report – Katie Herdus
Ms. Herdus provided an update to the council.
- C. Pace Report – Edward Gallagher
Mr. Gallagher provided an update for the agenda packet. He was not present at the meeting, so no update was given.
- D. Metra Update – Katie Dote
Ms. Dote provided an update for the agenda packet. She was not present at the meeting, so no update was given.
- E. RTA Update – Zachary Braun
Mr. Braun provided an update for the agenda packet. He was not present at the meeting, so no update was given.
- F. McHenry County Division of Transportation – Drew Duffin
Mr. Duffin provided an update to the council.
- G. Illinois Tollway Update – Kelsey Passi
Ms. Passi provided an update for the agenda packet. She was not present at the meeting, so no update was given.
- H. IDOT STP Local Program Update – Alex Househ
Mr. Househ provided an update for the agenda packet. He was not present at the meeting, so no update was given.
- I. CMAP Report – Sarah Stolpe
Ms. Stolpe provided an update for the agenda packet. She was not present at the meeting, so no update was given.

5. INFORMATION ITEMS

- A. CMAP Socioeconomic Forecast – Alex Bahls and Carlos Lopez presented on the socioeconomic forecast work that CMAP has been compiling.

6. APPROVAL ITEMS

- A. Cary First Street funds increase request – The village of Cary requested a fund increase of \$257,500 for their First Street Corridor project (TIP 11-22-0029). A motion was made by Ms. Berendt (Bull Valley) and seconded by Mr. Schmitt (Richmond). The motion was

approved so long as there were no negative impacts to the funding for other FY25 projects.

B. Including Phase 1 Reconstruction in Engineering Targets

Mr. Kovarik explained that current language in the STP application excluded Phase 1 Reconstruction applications from being allowed to apply for the funds targeted for Engineering. A motion was made by Mr. Kelly (Harvard) and seconded by Mr. Ganek (Algonquin) to approve the changes. The motion was approved unanimously.

C. Methodology Changes –STP Scoring Adjustment

Mr. Kovarik explained that CMAP requires 25% of the scoring for STP projects to be based on regional priorities, which are Green Infrastructure, Reinvestment, Economically Disconnected Areas, and Complete Streets. The previous point restructuring reduced the Resurfacing point application to below this requirement. To bring the scoring back in compliance, Safety has been decreased from 10 to 8 points, and Complete Streets has been increased from 12 to 14. The only change is the weight of the points, there are no changes to the application. A motion was made by Mr. Farrell (Huntley) and seconded by Ms. Wilgreen (Crystal Lake) to use the newly proposed safety scoring methodology. The motion was approved 7-3, with Mr. Kelly (Harvard), Mr. Schmitt (Richmond) and Mr. McMahon (Spring Grove) voting against.

D. STP-L 2025-2029 Active Program

Mr. Kovarik explained the changes to the STP-L program since the November meeting. A motion was made by Mr. Farrell (Huntley) to approve the program, which was seconded by Mr. Ganek (Algonquin). The motion was approved unanimously.

E. Meeting Schedule 2026

Mr. Kovarik presented the proposed 2026 Meeting Schedule. Mr. Schmitt said he would like to see more agencies providing reports at the meeting and wondered if having the meetings on Friday was a hinderance. There was general agreement among the Council. The suggestion was made to move Council meetings to the third (3rd) Thursday of the month. The next Council meeting will be on January 15, 2026, and the revised meeting schedule would be presented at that time. Mr. McDillon (Lake in the Hills) made a motion to approve the changes and Mr. Schmitt (Richmond) seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

F. Adjusting Engineering Target Ratio

Mr. Kelly (Harvard) presented to the Council that while the creation of the Engineering Target funding was well intentioned, it was not very helpful to Harvard, as the City would not be able to meet the match requirements. Mr. Kelly then proposed that the ratio, currently in the STP methodology as 50/50, be changed to the federal maximum level of 80/20. Mr. Mack (Ringwood) and Ms. Berendt (Bull Valley) cited concerns that this change was not reviewed by the methodology committee, and the impacts to the program would be unknown. Mr. Kelly made a motion to approve the change to the

ratio, and Mr. McMahon (Spring Grove) seconded. The motion passed 7 to 3, with Mr. Mack, Ms. Berendt, and Mr. McDillon (Lake in the Hills) voting against.

7. PLANNING LIAISON REPORT

A. 2026 STP Mark

- i. Mr. Kovarik reported that McHenry County's STP mark for FY2026 will be \$5,285,018. Marks for FY30 and FY31 are not yet confirmed.

8. OTHER BUSINESS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

There was no other business

9. NEXT MEETING DATE AND LOCATION

The next meeting will be held on:

Thursday, January 15, 2026, at 9:00 A.M.

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10. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mr. Duffin (McHenry County) to adjourn the meeting, which was seconded by Mr. Kelly (Harvard). The motion carried unanimously, and the meeting was adjourned at 10:01 AM.

Pace Suburban Bus
McHenry County Council of Mayors
1/15/25

Ridership:

In October Pace's system carried 2.17 million riders, which represents 71% of our 2019 ridership levels through October 2025. 73.4%

In November Pace's system carried 1.83 million riders, this was a flat growth month due to unseasonable inclement weather as well as 1 less weekday than in 2024.

Through the end of November 2025 Pace had provided 22.1 million rides for the year. This represented a 4.2% increase year of year compared to the same time period in 2024. That brought us to about 73.1% when compared to 2019 ridership levels.

These 2025 ridership stats continue to reflect how Pace's investments in frequency and targeted system enhancements are bringing back more riders into the system.

Pace Board Adopts 2026 Operational Budget

In November 2025, the Pace Board of Directors approved the agency's 2026 Operating Budget, Two-Year Financial Plan, and Five-Year Capital Program. The budget, bolstered by new state funding from recently enacted legislation, supports expanded service, new sustainable technology, and continued affordability for riders across the six-county region.

Pace's 2026 Budget is supported by \$18.9 million in new funding from Senate Bill 2111 and includes significant service and program investments without increasing fares. Key highlights include:

- No fare increases in 2026; the standard cash fare remains \$2.25 per ride (\$2 when using Ventra).
- Funding for the Regional Accessibility Program (RAP) and Taxi Access Program (TAP) through 2026.
- Nearly 10% more suburban bus service to meet growing market demand.
- More On Demand service across the six-county area, improving first-mile/last-mile connectivity.

Pace's ReVision Plan will guide upcoming service enhancements, including expanded bus-on-shoulder operations, new rapid transit corridors, and increased bus frequency to meet evolving suburban mobility needs.

The historic transit legislation that paved the way for this funding was the result of collaboration among state lawmakers, advocacy groups, and labor organizations.

Pace expressed deep gratitude to Governor J.B. Pritzker, the bill's legislative sponsors, and all advocates whose efforts secured stable funding for public transportation across Illinois.

"This new legislation not only stabilizes transit funding, but it also allows us to plan confidently for the future," said Pace Chairman Rick Kwasneski. "Our riders can count on continued service improvements and a system that is both sustainable and fiscally responsible."

With its 2026 budget in place, Pace is moving forward with projects that strengthen accessibility, enhance environmental stewardship, and deliver more convenient travel options for suburban riders.

For more information about Pace's 2026 Budget, visit **PaceBus.com**.

VanPool and VanGo

Operating for over 30 years, Pace Vanpool Incentive Program (VIP) is a public transportation program designed to reduce the number of vehicles on the road. In a Pace van, a group of commuters can travel together to work, share resources, and save big money compared to driving alone or in a carpool.

Pace helps with vanpool costs using grant funds and supplies a well-maintained vehicle that includes insurance, fuel and maintenance, roadside assistance, tolls, and more. Participants can reduce car ownership, wear and tear on their own vehicle and possibly lower costs on their personal auto insurance. Primary Vanpool drivers get personal use of the Pace van within mileage limits, and they do not make vanpool payments.

Vanpool riders pay a low monthly fare to Pace based on distance, participant frequency and group size. Pace now also offers flexible vanpool fares for hybrid, reduced work weeks and regular work shifts.

Participants, who live and work near each other, can form a vanpool group and apply for a Pace van. Vanpoolers are required to live or work in Cook, DuPage, Kane, Lake, McHenry or Will Counties. Vanpool groups can travel from Illinois to work in Wisconsin or Indiana and vice versa. After completing an approval process and getting a Pace van, the primary driver will be ready to pick up vanpool riders at agreed-upon stops along the route to work.

More program details and applications to join or launch new vanpools can be found at www.pacecommuterrideshare.com

If you know of businesses in your community that have expressed concerns with transportation for their employees, helping to foster utilization of Pace vanpool for their employees is one way to get involved.

Pace's Community Relations Department is always open to meeting with local business leaders, HR professionals and chambers of commerce to outline just how reliable yet flexible transportation with Pace Vanpool can be for their workforce. Please do not hesitate to connect your local business leaders with our agency.

Pace Career Opportunities:

Know anyone looking for a rewarding career with excellent pay and benefits? Get hired immediately for available bus operator, mechanics, and servicer positions at most of Pace's Divisions through our agency "**Hire-on-the-Spot**" events

At these events, prospective employees will learn more about Pace, complete applications for open positions, and can take a pre-employment assessment for professional bus operator (driver) positions. As part of their ongoing efforts to remove financial barriers for the next generation of professional bus drivers, Pace provides FREE Class "B" commercial driver's license (CDL) permit courses and paid training for bus operators and mechanics.

Upcoming bus operator "Hire on the Spot" dates are as follows:

- **Every Thursday** - Arlington Heights

Candidates for positions at North, North Shore, Northwest, River, and West Divisions can come to [**Pace headquarters**](#) (550 W. Algonquin Road, Arlington Heights) at either 9:00 am or 1:00 pm, with testing beginning promptly at 9:30 and 1:30. While there, one can apply for employment, get interviewed, and take a 90-minute Customer Service Assessment test. Attendees can get hired immediately and start work right away for positions at North, North Shore, Northwest, River, and West Divisions. It is encouraged that candidates [**complete an application online**](#) before the event and bring a copy of the confirmation with them. Please bring your valid Illinois driver's license and a [**Court Purpose DMV or Secretary of State Motor Vehicle Report \(MVR, also called "Driving Record Abstract" in Illinois\)**](#). If you have questions about this opportunity, please call [**847-228-3572**](#).

- **EVERY WEEKDAY** between 1:00 - 3:00 pm (**except Thursdays**) at [**River Division in Elgin, Heritage Division in Plainfield**](#) or [**Fox Valley Division in North Aurora**](#). At these locations, candidates can show up and be interviewed by division staff right on the spot! Please bring your valid Illinois driver's license and a [**Court Purpose DMV or Secretary of State Motor Vehicle Report \(MVR, also called "Driving Record Abstract" in Illinois\)**](#).

Local Government Update

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January Local Government Update

Gov. Pritzker signs transit funding and reform law

On Tuesday, December 16, Gov. JB Pritzker signed [the Northern Illinois Transit Authority \(NITA\) Act](#) at Union Station, securing more than \$1 billion in new operations funding for the region's transit system and reorganizing it under the new Northern Illinois Transit Authority. NITA will restructure the RTA and take on new responsibilities, including fare policy, enhanced service coordination, long-term capital planning, and unifying rider-focused tools like mobile ticketing.

The law takes effect on June 1, 2026, with some of the new revenue streams not taking effect until July 1 or later. The terms of current RTA Board members expire on September 1, 2026, and new NITA Board members must be appointed within 120 days of the effective date. RTA staff have published a [bill summary](#) with a full timeline of implementation items related to the transition to NITA.

RTA Board adopts regional transit budget with no service cuts, no layoffs, and no fare increases

The RTA Board of Directors approved the [2026 Regional Transit Operating Budget and Capital Program](#) at its [December 18 meeting](#), totaling nearly \$4.4 billion for operations and more than \$9 billion for capital projects. Due to the passage of the NITA Act, the system will see more than \$1 billion in new operations funding and avoid the fiscal cliff – meaning no service cuts, no layoffs, and no fare increases in 2026. Much of the new operating funds are expected to be delivered to the system after July 1, 2026, so operations will be sustained through the first half of the year by the remaining \$509 million in federal COVID-19 relief reserves. Previous regional budgets, capital plans, and other financial documents can be found on the [RTA website](#).

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Access to Transit call for projects closes January 16

The call for projects is open through Friday, January 16 for RTA's [Access to Transit program](#), which improves access to the regional transit system for people walking and biking, implementing recommendations from planning studies completed through the RTA's [Community Planning program](#).

Eligible projects include ADA accessibility improvements, bicycle infrastructure, intersection improvements, sidewalk gap connections, wayfinding, and more. Newly eligible this year from [the NITA Act](#) are Trail-Supportive Development infrastructure improvements that are located within one-quarter mile of a public trail and are designed to facilitate access to and use of public transit.

RTA staff are offering a second virtual Open House session during which applicants can ask questions about the application process, specific project ideas, and anything else related to the call for projects:

- Wednesday, January 7, 2026 – 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. [Register here](#).

Applicants can email questions to applications@rtachicago.org or contact RTA Government Affairs staff to be connected to the Local Planning team.

RTA launches Fare Programs Online 2.0, streamlining rider applications for free and reduced fare programs

The RTA has launched [Fare Programs Online 2.0](#), an enhanced version of its customer portal that makes it easier and more accessible for riders to apply for [Reduced Fare, Ride Free, and Access Pilot program permits](#). The updated portal introduces several new features that streamline the application process, provides more support for applicants, and ensures a user-friendly experience. Riders can now switch between fare programs, check the status of an application or order, and update personal information such as demographics and photos. If an application is rejected, riders can re-apply by updating their information without starting over from scratch. Riders can also opt in to electronic communications, allowing them to receive application status updates and renewal reminders by email. Fare Programs Online 2.0 also adds instructional videos that guide riders through the application process step by step. In addition to written instructions, riders can now see and hear how the process works, helping reduce confusion and improve accessibility. [Read more on the RTA Connections blog](#).



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Access Pilot Program extended through end of 2026

The RTA, Metra, and Cook County are extending the [Access Pilot Program](#), which provides reduced fares on the entire Metra system to riders experiencing low incomes. The program is a partnership between Metra, Cook County, and the RTA with Cook County providing most of the operating funding. The pilot was set to end in January 2026, but in light of [the NITA Act](#) and Cook County's commitment to continue to provide funding for this vital service, the program will now last through at least December 31, 2026. No action is required for existing customers, who will be able to keep using the same permit through the end of the year. Beyond 2026, the NITA Act calls for the new regional agency to develop and implement an income-based reduced fare returning residents, veterans, and individuals experiencing homelessness. Read more on the [RTA Connections blog](#).

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 Selections: RCO: 11
 Fund: Tip Fund:

LOCAL ROADS & STREETS STATUS SHEET FOR FEDERAL AID PROJECTS

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Local Agency/Section	Project Route/ From/ To/ Scope of Work 1/ Scope of Work 2/	Current CE3 Estimate	T.I.P. NO. FFY/Fund/Cost/Fed Cost/Authorized	Environmental Approval	Public Hearing Status	Design Appv Requested CD DTCD Est/Act CD DT	ROW Req Certified DT DT	Plans to CO CD DT	Target Let/ Low Bid/ Award Date Award Amt	E1/E2 Consultant	Jntagmt Cd Dt RR Agmt Cd Dt	A-95 Review	
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2 ALGONQUIN 220009300PV	TR0245 - Boyer Rd N County Line Rd to Longmeadow Pkwy RECONSTRUCTION	4,062,600	11-22-0031	NR 4/25/2025		Yes			2/27/2026	AH CR Chastain	NR	NR	*
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3 BULL VALLEY 220000900RS	FAU3881 - Queen Anne Rd IL 120 to Bull Valley Rd RESURFACING	892,712	11-22-0026	CE 1 3/9/2022	NR	No			2/27/2026	AH CR B & W	NR	NR	*
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4 CARY 210007300RS	FAU4055 - First St Three Oaks Rd to US 14 RESURFACING	1,317,500	11-22-0029	CE 1 3/11/2022	NR	No			1/17/2025 1,219,999	AH CR B & W	NR	NR	*
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Record id												404 Permit Cd Dt	
5	GREENWOOD 210000200PV	FAU4086 - Howe Rd Village Limits to Village Limits RESURFACING	403,965 11-20-0015 E1: / / / / / / / / / 0 / / / / / / / / / / / / / STPL / 403,965 / 363,565 / / / / / / / / / / /	CE 1 NR		No			1/1/2027	AH CR Scheflow	NR	NR	* NR
3362					E	12/31/2025					No		*
6	HARVARD 210003700SW	2 Rds - Marengo/Ayer IL 173 to Ayer to IL 173 to Mokeler SIDEWALKS	301,000 11-24-0007 E1: / / / / / / / / / 0 / / / STPL / 59,000 / 47,200 / A / / / / / / / / / / / / STPL / 301,000 / 240,800 / / / / / /	CE 1 NR 8/4/2021		No			4/24/2026	AH CR CBBEL	NR	NR	* NR
3481					REMARKS:						No		*
7	HARVARD 220007100RS	FAU0006 - Marengo Rd Airport Rd to IL Route 23 RESURFACING	1,650,000 11-22-0026 E1: FFY24 / STPL / 150,000 / 75,000 / A / / / / 0 / / / STPL / 108,000 / 72,000 / R / / / / / / / / / / / / STPL / 1,650,000 / 1,500,000 / / / / / /	CE 1 NR 9/23/2024		No			1/1/2027	AH CR CBBEL	NR	NR	* NR
3363					REMARKS:						No		*
8	HUNTLEY 200005000PV	FAU2259 - Kreutzer Rd Walmart Access to Haligus Rd RECONSTRUCTION	9,435,000 11-21-0010 E1: / / / / / / / / / 0 / / / STPL / 2,028,880 / 1,014,440 / / / / / / / / / / / / / STPL / 4,838,928 / 1,742,856 / / / / 4,596,072 / 1,500,000 / / / / / /	CE 1 NR 9/20/2022		Yes			2/27/2026	AH CR Patrick	NR	NR	* NR
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CMAP news

New eTIP platform available to the public

CMAP has launched a [new, modernized eTIP website](#) that improves public access to information about transportation projects across northeastern Illinois. The [Transportation Improvement Program \(TIP\)](#) is the region's agenda of roadway, transit, and active transportation investments expected to move forward in the next five federal fiscal years, including all federally funded projects and regionally significant non-federal projects

The new eTIP platform features an interactive map, expanded search tools, and downloadable data that allow users to explore more than 2,000 active projects. Members of the public, local partners, and stakeholders can filter information by geography, project type, funding source, and year. The site also provides direct access to TIP amendments, key project documents, and public comment opportunities — ensuring both residents and transportation partners stay informed and engaged throughout the programming process.

2026 Regional Transportation Plan: refined financial forecasts and project evaluations

CMAP continues to advance the [2026 Regional Transportation Plan \(RTP\)](#) through extensive research, data analysis, and public engagement.

To meet federal requirements for fiscal constraint, CMAP is developing long-range financial forecasts for the RTP to estimate baseline revenues and expenditures and identify additional reasonably expected revenues. Working with a [financial plan resource group](#), CMAP has refined transparent and accurate forecasting methods to guide investment priorities through 2050. A forthcoming **Financial Plan Risk Assessment** will evaluate key uncertainties and identify realistic and resilient mitigation strategies.

Through coordination with partner agencies, CMAP has identified 137 regional capital projects (RCPs) for possible inclusion in the RTP. A [draft RCP Benefits Report](#) summarizing the benefits that each proposed project offers to the region is now available. The RCP candidates can also be viewed in an [interactive map](#). CMAP will continue to update and refine this report through the end of the year.

CMAP begins regional freight assessment with release of The Freight Landscape

CMAP is undertaking a [four-part assessment of the region's freight system](#) — including the trucks, ships, planes, railroads, and delivery vans we see every day. The assessment will introduce “goods movement” as a key topic of concern for the region’s economy, environment, and highway performance, including traffic safety. CMAP has released the assessment’s first report, [The Freight Landscape](#), to provide key introductory facts about the region’s freight system and to explain fundamental freight concepts.

Program status updates

Surface Transportation Program

The [STP Project Selection Committee](#) last met on November 6, 2025. The committee’s next meeting is scheduled for **February 5, 2026**. [Meeting Materials](#) are posted on CMAP’s Legistar site one week in advance of 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)

December 31, 2025

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 November 6, 2025. The committee's next meeting is scheduled for **February 5, 2026**. [Meeting materials](#) are posted on CMAP's Legistar site one week in advance of the meetings. Information for submitting change requests for CMAQ, CRP, or TAP-L funded projects 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: [Lindsay Bayley](#) (312-386-8826)

Accessible Communities Program

CMAP launched the [Regional ADA Coordinators Group](#) as part of our Accessible Communities program. Regional ADA Coordinators Group is a peer professional development group to provide resources and support to ADA coordinators.

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

2025 Community Data Snapshots

The 2025 CMAP [Community Data Snapshots](#) are available. 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.

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

Transit funding bill passed

Signed by Governor Pritzker on December 16, 2025, [Senate Bill 2111](#) enacts strategies identified in the [Plan of Action for Regional Transit \(PART\)](#) by:

- Creating the Northern Illinois Transit Authority to replace the Regional Transportation Authority and modernize governance for the region's transit providers — Chicago Transit Authority, Metra, and Pace.
- Providing approximately \$1.5 billion in new annual funding to stabilize operations, support capital improvements, and expand service across the region.
- Advancing long-term goals for integrated fares, improved accessibility, and regional coordination.

2024 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 "Performance" webpage](#).

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

RTA Access to Transit

The call for projects is now open through **Friday, January 16** for [RTA's Access to Transit program](#), which improves access to the regional transit system for people walking and biking, implementing recommendations from planning studies completed through the [RTA's Community Planning program](#).

Eligible projects include ADA accessibility improvements, bicycle infrastructure, intersection improvements, sidewalk gap connections, wayfinding, and more. Newly eligible this year from [Senate Bill 2111](#) are Trail-Supportive Development infrastructure improvements that are located within one-quarter mile of a public trail and are designed to facilitate access to and use of public transit.

RTA staff are offering a virtual [Open House session](#) during which applicants can ask questions about the application process, about specific project ideas, and anything else related to the call for projects on **Wednesday, January 7, 2026** from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Applicants can email questions to applications@rtachicago.org or contact RTA Government Affairs staff to be connected to the Local Planning team.

Training opportunities

IDOT BLRS 2025 T2 training

IDOT's Technology Transfer (T2) Center has the [Fall 2025 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](#).

Federally-Funded Project Implementation and Active Program Management Reminders – January 2025

1/5/2025: Final funding agreements and ROW documents due for projects targeting the February 2026 state letting

1/12/2025: Final PS&E and draft agreements due for projects targeting the April 2026 state letting

1/14/2025: ROW certification due for projects targeting the February 2026 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 [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.

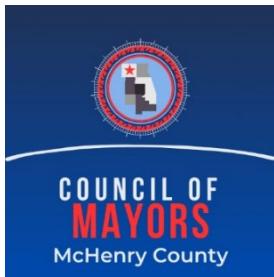
McHenry County Council of Mayors STP Schedule (FFY 2026 - FFY 2030)

FFY 2026 - October 1, 2025 thru September 30, 2026											
TIP #	Project Name	Agency	Project Phase	Match Amount	Programmed STP	Phase Total	STP Funding Increase Request	Notes	Authorization Deadline	Target Letting/ Auth Date	Project Type
11-22-0031	Boyer Road	Algonquin	CON/CE	\$1,018,000	\$1,450,039	\$2,468,039	No Current Requests	decreased by \$49,961 due to smaller funding mark (10/24)	9/30/2026	11/2025	Roadway & Intersection
11-21-0010	Kreutzer Road	Huntley	CON/CE	\$958,745	\$3,227,043	\$4,185,788	No Current Requests	Planned use of \$6,773,925 from redistribution (3/2025) ITEP grant of \$3,000,000	9/30/2030	2/2026	Roadway & Intersection
11-22-0038	Winn Road/East Solon Road	Spring Grove	CON/CE	\$160,140	\$607,936	\$768,076	No Current Requests		9/30/2026	Q1, 2026	Resurfacing
Planned Use of Redistribution											
11-21-0010	Kreutzer Road	Huntley	CON/CE	\$1,448,826	\$6,403,240	\$7,852,066	No Current Requests	Planned use of \$8,130,283 from redistribution (11/2025) ITEP grant of \$3,000,000	9/30/2030	2/2026	Roadway & Intersection
11-24-0019	Commercial Street	Richmond	E1	\$14,500	\$58,000	\$72,500	No Current Requests	Extension to March 30	9/30/2025	1/2029	Resurfacing
11-22-0026	Marengo Road	Harvard	CON/CE	\$165,000	\$1,320,000	\$1,485,000	No Current Requests		9/30/2026	9/2026	Resurfacing
11-22-0027	Ballard Road	Lakewood	CON/CE	\$267,468	\$1,023,946	\$1,291,414	No Current Requests	decreased by \$45,927 due to smaller funding mark (3/2024)	9/30/2026	Q1, 2026	Resurfacing
11-22-0028	Queen Ann Road	Bull Valley	CON/CE	\$178,542	\$714,170	\$892,712	No Current Requests		9/30/2026	Q1, 2026	Resurfacing
11-22-0032	Maple Street	Marengo	E2	\$35,000	\$35,000	\$70,000	No Current Requests		9/30/2026	Q2, 2027	Roadway & Intersection
CONTINGENCY	Harmony Road Bridge	McHenry County	CON/CE	\$300,000	\$0	\$	1,500,000				Roadway & Intersection
TOTALS					\$4,677,082						
FFY26 Allotment:	\$5,285,018			Carryover from FY25:	\$0	FFY26 Mark:	\$5,285,018	Left Over \$:	\$607,936	FFY26 Planned Use of Redistribution:	\$9,554,356

FFY 2027 - October 1, 2026 thru September 30, 2027											
TIP #	Project Name	Agency	Project Phase	Match Amount	Programmed STP	Phase Total	STP Funding Increase Request	Notes	Authorization Deadline	Target Letting/ Auth Date	Project Type
11-22-0032	Maple Street	Marengo	CON/CE	\$224,000	\$896,000	\$1,120,000	No Current Requests		9/30/2027	Q1, 2027	Roadway & Intersection
11-22-0033	Ringwood Road/Fox Lake Road	Johnsburg	CON/CE	\$860,245	\$1,500,000	\$2,360,245	No Current Requests		9/30/2027	Q1, 2027	Resurfacing
11-22-0035	Frank Road	Lake in the Hills	CON/CE	\$667,000	\$1,500,000	\$2,167,000	No Current Requests		9/30/2027	Q1, 2027	Roadway & Intersection
11-22-0036	Barreville Road	Prairie Grove, McHenry	CON/CE	\$350,870	\$1,403,478	\$1,754,348	No Current Requests	\$9442 returned	9/30/2027	Q1, 2027	Resurfacing
TOTALS					\$5,299,478						
FFY27 Allotment:	\$5,310,650			Carryover from FY26:	\$0	FFY27 Mark:	\$5,310,650	Left Over \$:	\$11,172		

FFY 2028 - October 1, 2027 thru September 30, 2028											
TIP #	Project Name	Agency	Project Phase	Match Amount	Programmed STP	Phase Total	STP Funding Increase Request	Notes	Authorization Deadline	Target Letting/ Auth Date	Project Type
11-24-0015	North Main Street	Algonquin	CON/CE	\$375,000	\$1,500,000	\$1,875,000	No Current Requests		9/30/2028	11/2027	Roadway & Intersection
11-24-0016	Diggins-Sumner	Harvard	E1	\$21,990	\$87,960	\$109,950	No Current Requests	Moved from FY25 PUD funds for fiscal constraint	9/30/2028	TBD	Resurfacing
11-24-0016	Diggins-Sumner	Harvard	E2	\$21,625	\$86,500	\$108,125	No Current Requests		9/30/2028	TBD	Resurfacing
11-24-0017	Main Street-Liberty Road	Crystal Lake	CON/CE	\$375,000	\$1,500,000	\$1,875,000	No Current Requests		9/30/2028	TBD	Roadway & Intersection
11-24-0018	Thompson Road	Bull Valley	E2	\$5,156	\$20,625	\$25,781	No Current Requests		9/30/2028	TBD	Resurfacing
11-24-0018	Thompson Road	Bull Valley	CON/CE	\$122,100	\$488,400	\$610,500	No Current Requests	Moved from FY29 due to fiscal constraint	9/30/2029	TBD	Resurfacing
11-24-0019	Commercial Street	Richmond	E2	\$12,750	\$51,000	\$63,750	No Current Requests		9/30/2028	TBD	Resurfacing
11-24-0020	Oak/Industrial/Orleans	McHenry	E1	\$10,000	\$40,000	\$50,000	No Current Requests		9/30/2025	TBD	Resurfacing
11-24-0020	Oak/Industrial/Oreleans	McHenry	E2	\$10,000	\$40,000	\$50,000	No Current Requests		9/30/2028	TBD	Resurfacing
11-24-0021	Crystal Lake Road	Lake in the Hills	CON/CE	\$189,640	\$758,560	\$948,200	No Current Requests		9/30/2028	TBD	Resurfacing
11-21-0007	Green Street Milling and Resurfacing	Algonquin	CON/CE	\$6,250	\$25,000	\$31,250	No Current Requests	Project completed, waiting on final invoice	9/30/2028	TBD	Resurfacing
11-21-0006	Riverside Drive	Johnsburg	CON/CE	\$194,974	\$779,897	\$974,871	No Current Requests	Cost Increase, Project completed,	9/22/2023	9/22/2023	Resurfacing
CONTINGENCY	Charles Road Bridge	McHenry County	CON/CE	\$300,000	\$0	\$	1,500,000				Roadway & Intersection
CONTINGENCY	Marengo Road Bridge	McHenry County	CON/CE	\$300,000	\$0	\$	1,500,000				Roadway & Intersection
TOTALS					\$5,377,942						
FFY28 Allotment:	\$5,395,621			Carryover from FY27:	\$0	FFY28 Mark:	\$5,395,621	Left Over \$:	\$17,679		

FFY 2029 - October 1, 2028 thru September 30, 2029											
TIP #	Project Name	Agency	Project Phase	Match Amount	Programmed STP	Phase Total	STP Funding Increase Request	Notes	Authorization Deadline	Target Letting/ Auth Date	Project Type
11-21-0011	Johnsburg Road	Johnsburg	CON/CE	\$375,000	\$154,401	\$529,401	No Current Requests	Planned use of \$154,401 from Redistribution (3/2025)	9/30/2025	Let 6/2025*	Resurfacing
11-20-0015	Howe/Wonder Lake Road	Greenwood	CON/CE	\$24,037	\$216,329	\$24,037	No Current Requests	Moved to FY29 for fiscal constraint	9/30/2030	Q1 2030	Roadway & Intersection
11-24-0016	Diggins-Sumner	Harvard	CON/CE	\$376,931	\$1,507,725	\$1,884,656	No Current Requests		9/30/2029	TBD	Resurfacing
11-24-0019	Commercial Street	Richmond	CON/CE	\$319,000	\$1,276,000	\$1,595,000	No Current Requests		9/30/2029	TBD	Resurfacing
11-24-0023	Running Brook Farm Boulevard	Johnsburg	CON/CE	\$286,462	\$1,145,848	\$1,432,310	No Current Requests		9/30/2029	TBD	Resurfacing
11-24-0020	Oak/Industrial/Orleans	McHenry	CON/CE	\$280,000	\$1,120,000	\$1,400,000	No Current Requests		9/30/2029	TBD	Resurfacing
CONTINGENCY	Square Barn Road	Algonquin	CON/CE	\$300,000	\$0	\$	1,500,000				Roadway & Intersection
CONTINGENCY	Miller Road	Lake in the Hills	CON/CE	\$220,000	\$0	\$	880,000				



MCHENRY COUNTY COUNCIL OF MAYORS

MEETING SCHEDULE - 2026

Woodstock, IL 60098

T: 815.334.4642

ALGONQUIN

BARRINGTON HILLS

1. January 15, 2026 - Thursday

Time: 9:00 AM

Location: McHenry County Division of Transportation office

Room: Large Conference Room

Address: 16111 Nelson Road, Woodstock, IL 60098

2. March 18, 2026 – Wednesday

Time: 10:30 a.m.

Location: McHenry County Mental Health Board

Room: Large Conference Room

Address: 620 Dakota St, Crystal Lake, IL 60012

3. May 20, 2026 – Wednesday

Time: 10:30 a.m.

Location: McHenry County Mental Health Board

Room: Large Conference Room

Address: 620 Dakota St, Crystal Lake, IL 60012

4. July 22, 2026 - Wednesday

Time: 10:30 a.m.

Location: McHenry County Mental Health Board

Room: Large Conference Room

Address: 620 Dakota St, Crystal Lake, IL 60012

5. September 23, 2026 - Wednesday

Time: 10:30 a.m.

Location: McHenry County Mental Health Board

Room: Large Conference Room

Address: 620 Dakota St, Crystal Lake, IL 60012

6. November 18, 2026 - Wednesday

Time: 10:30 a.m.

Location: McHenry County Mental Health Board

Room: Large Conference Room

Address: 620 Dakota St, Crystal Lake, IL 60012

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