

Fiscal Year 2008/2009 Budget Highlights and Goals

Division of Transportation

FY2008 Highlights

- Hired the following staff: Engineer I, GIS Specialist, Assistant State's Attorney, and two (2) Highway Maintenance workers.
- Continued the work to expend \$50M in funds from debt certificates for transportation purposes.
- Initiated the contract plan preparation and land acquisition for the Western Algonquin Bypass project.
- Continued the Phase I Study for the preliminary engineering for the Randall Road widening project.
- Completed the Phase I Study for Rakow Road preliminary engineering.
- Began Phase I Studies on nine (9) County and Township bridges for replacement.
- Completed construction on the following projects:
 - Algonquin Road between Lakewood Road and Randall Road.
 - Near completion of Algonquin Road between Illinois Route 47 and Lakewood Road.
 - Harmony Road @ U.S. Route 20.
 - Two (2) Remote Weather Information Systems (RWIS).
- Initiated the land acquisition for the Walkup Road project.
- Initiated the contract plan preparation and land acquisition for the Rakow Road project.
- Completed the FY2008-2012 proposed Five-Year Highway Improvement Program.
- Completed the update to the Access Management Ordinance and major access permit review process.
- Initiated the asset management program for the Division of Transportation.
- Continued the pavement preservation program by resurfacing 7.3 miles, micro surfacing (a new technique) for 7 miles, and performed crack filling on Algonquin Road.
- Hosted visiting groups from outside agencies to tour the Division of Transportation facility specifically learning about the Division's maintenance operations. Some agencies that visited were the Illinois Department of Transportation, the City of Chicago, and a delegation from a city in China to name a few.
- Hosted "little" visitors from a local preschool to tour the Division of Transportation specifically learning about the maintenance operations.
- The Adopt-A-Highway program has 110 groups enrolled adopting over 63% of the County Highway system.

FY2009 Goals

- Hire the following staff: Senior Transportation Planner, Construction Engineer I, and two (2) Highway Maintenance workers.
- Continue the contract plan preparation and land acquisition for the Western Algonquin Bypass project.
- Complete the Phase I Study for the preliminary engineering for Randall Road, Miller Road, and Johnsborg Road.
- Initiate the contract plan preparation and land acquisition for Miller Road and Johnsborg Road.
- Complete the contract plan preparation and land acquisition for Walkup Road and Rakow Road.
- Initiate construction on the following projects:
 - Chapel Hill Road @ Lincoln Road
 - Alden Road bridge replacement and roadway improvements north and south of Illinois Route 173
 - Allendale Bridge replacement
 - Crystal Lake Avenue @ Pingree Road / Terra Cotta Road
- Complete the FY2009-2013 proposed Five-Year Highway Improvement Program.
- Continue with the data gathering for the GIS database to begin use of the Pavement Management System, to manage long-term costs and strategies in the quest to lower overall costs of maintaining the County Highway system.
- Continue innovative pavement preservation program to extend the life of pavements with innovative technologies.