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Long Range Transportation Plan Released, Project Proposals Sought for Planning, Research

SPRINGFIELD – The Illinois Department of Transportation today announced the release of its Long Range Transportation Plan to help advance sustainable and multimodal solutions that support local goals and grow the state’s economy. The public comment period ends May 16.

“Transportation is what sets Illinois apart from other states and gives us our competitive edge,” said Gov. Bruce Rauner. “The Long Range Transportation Plan outlines a path to keep making strategic investments in infrastructure that drive growth in business and promote safety and quality of life in our communities.”

Under state statute, a Long Range Transportation Plan is required by IDOT to guide the development of the state’s transportation system. The plan defines objectives, identifies implementation strategies and sets measures for tracking progress.

“The Long Range Transportation Plan drives IDOT’s planning and investment decisions,” said Illinois Transportation Secretary Randy Blankenhorn. “We believe we’ve created a solid, inclusive vision for transportation that will steer Illinois toward continued success well into the future.”

As part of the plan’s release, federal funds administered by IDOT will be made available for statewide research and planning projects. Eligible projects include: planning studies; research activities; program development activities; performance management activities; and data purchase, collection or analysis.

Click [here](#) to review the Long Range Transportation Plan and to view a webinar on the grant application process.

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