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Rebuilding Illinois: Multiple projects tackled in 2020

Investment in Springfield area made possible by Gov. Pritzker's historic capital program

SPRINGFIELD – The Illinois Department of Transportation announced today that multiple projects in the Springfield area are completed or underway, highlighting an ongoing commitment made possible by Gov. JB Pritzker's Rebuild Illinois. In the Springfield area alone, five major projects represent a total investment of \$54 million for the region, with \$30 million coming from the historic and bipartisan capital program.

“Rebuild Illinois is not only about investing in infrastructure but about investing in people and communities as well. This first full year of Rebuild Illinois brought projects to the Springfield area that created jobs and invested in the local economy in a way that was sorely needed,” said Gov. Pritzker. “The work completed this year is just the start of many more local improvements that will build better and safer roads and bridges, while keeping communities like Springfield competitive and strengthening our state's status as a transportation hub for the nation.”

Of the five major projects in the Springfield area, three were completed in 2020, one is scheduled to be completed in 2021 and one is to be completed in 2022. Completed projects include:

- The northbound bridge improvement over the South Fork Sangamon River on Illinois 29 was completed in August.
- Interstate 55 resurfacing and bridge improvements from just south of Toronto Road to north of Glenarm and East Lake Shore Drive from west of Hunt Road to north of Chatham Road began in July and was completed in November.
- Four bridge painting projects along I-55 began in June and were completed in October.

“Our mission to keep this construction season on schedule has not wavered, despite the unprecedented challenges of COVID-19,” said Acting Illinois Transportation Secretary Omer Osman. “We completed several major Springfield area projects this year and are on track to finish others in 2021. This work will improve safety, boost quality of life and create economic opportunity for many years to come.”

Passed in 2019, Rebuild Illinois is investing \$33.2 billion into the state's aging transportation system, creating jobs and promoting economic growth. Rebuild Illinois is not only the largest capital program in state history but also the first one that touches all modes of Illinois transportation: roads and bridges, transit, waterways, freight and passenger rail, aviation, and bicycle and pedestrian accommodations.

As part of the new [FY2021-26 Proposed Highway Improvement Program](#) released in July, IDOT is investing \$21.3 billion to improve roads and bridges over the next six years, the second multi-year plan that reflects the impact of Rebuild Illinois.

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