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**Sent:** Friday, August 23, 2013 3:15 PM  
**To:** Info  
**Subject:** GO TO 2040 and TIP Amendment Public Comment

I believe the Illiana Expressway is not only viable, but necessary from a safety of the travelling public standpoint. I travel the I-80 corridor, often at night, and find the truck factor to be beyond 60%. The Illiana Expressway will reduce this volume of truck traffic, especially south-bound traffic and provide a by-pass for other west-bound truck traffic. Do not kill or postpone this project.

**GARRY B. ALDEN, P.E.**  
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**From:** [Patricia Barker](#)  
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**Subject:** GO TO 2040 and TIP Amendment Public Comment  
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My family strongly supports the proposed Amendment that would add the Illiana Corridor Project to the GO TO 2040 comprehensive regional plan list of fiscally constrained projects.

**Pat and Robert Barker**

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**From:** [Barry, Christine](#)  
**To:** [Info](#)  
**Subject:** Illiana  
**Date:** Wednesday, September 04, 2013 10:05:27 AM

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Hi,

I live in the Chicagoland area at 5 Oak Brook Club Drive, P5S, Oak Brook, IL 60523.

I am writing to ask you to add/support this roadway project to the GOTO2040 plan.

Our area suffers from congestion and this project would greatly relieve some of the issues of congestion.

Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter.

*Christine J. Barry*

CMAP  
ATTN: Plan and TIP Amendments  
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To CMAP Staff:

This letter is regarding the CMAP proposed amendment that would add the Illiana Corridor project to the GO TO 2040 comprehensive regional plan list of fiscally-constrained projects. I would like to express that I am strongly in favor of this project, and it is needed for many reasons.

Will County is one of the fastest-growing counties in the country, and it will only continue to grow. It is an attractive place to live and work, and it is no wonder that people and businesses continue to move here. In order for Will County to continue to flourish, smart infrastructure investments like the Illiana Corridor must be made right now before it is too late. The existing I-55 and I-57 highways provide good routes for north-south travel through the area, but there is a lack of comparable east-west routes south of I-80. The project will create a better grid network for Will County and allow them easier access around the region.

As Will County continues to grow, it is inevitable that traffic and congestion will keep growing with it. The Illiana Corridor project provides a unique opportunity for this area to address current and future congestion problems by making this investment while it is still economically feasible. The more that an area develops, the more expensive it becomes to widen and maintain the existing roads, nonetheless fund a new highway. The Route 53 Extension project up north is a perfect example of that. It is a much-needed project that will cost way more now than it would have if it were built decades ago when it was first planned.

The Illiana Corridor project provides Illinois with a great opportunity to invest in our future, and the time to act is now. Please vote to add the Illiana Corridor into the GO TO 2040 comprehensive regional plan list of fiscally-constrained projects.

Thank you for this opportunity to comment on this important project.

Sincerely,  
  
Ed Barry  
Morris II

**From:** BARBARA BERNIER [mailto:barbara.bernier@sbcglobal.net]

**Sent:** Wednesday, August 28, 2013 7:12 PM

**To:** Info

**Subject:**

Hello I think the Illiana project should go thru...I am a truckers wife and I know it would benefit truckers who have to take I-80 or rt 30 to get to rt 65....this would save so much time for them to be able to use the Illiana.

The truckers have to stop before getting into all the congestion on the northern routes, sometime they have to wait 4 to 6 hours before going thru....this would save them travel hours and they would be able to get home quicker.

Truckers don't have the luxury of being home everyday and hometime is very important, especially when you get one day a week off....I know there are a lot of complaints but in the long run they will see how it actually helps travel. It's not just for truckers but anyone trying to avoid all the traffic.

Thank You So Much

**From:** George Bolos [mailto:gbolos1@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 28, 2013 10:28 PM  
**To:** Info  
**Subject:** Illiana

To Whom it may concern as a local public citizen I agree with IDOTS evaluation as stated below, the only pivot point would be the selection of the southern route, although I understand the economics of the selection i think we would all be better served with the northern route selection.

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- The project will generate sufficient toll revenue over the period to 2053 to repay the initial cost of the project AND the operation and maintenance costs of the facility for the term of the agreement.
- IDOT does not need to remove any projects within the GO TO 2040 plan to implement the Illiana Corridor.
- CMAP estimates that the Illiana Corridor project represents the second highest Growth Regional Product or economic output increase out of all projects currently included in the GO TO 2040 plan.
- If Illiana Corridor project is not included in the GO TO 2040 plan, the \$40 million investment in planning will be lost, the Tier II EIS cannot be completed, and IDOT will not be able to continue the process of soliciting potential concessionaire teams for Public Private Partnership (P3).
- CMAP's analysis is consistent with IDOT's analysis that shows that the Illiana Corridor would not have a significant impact upon the urbanization of the region.
- Both IDOT's and CMAP's analysis show this would be a strong trucking corridor.
- Communities participated and reviewed the population and employment growth projections and found them reasonable and consistent with their goals of manageable economic growth.
- The Illiana Corridor project is strongly supported by stakeholders across the study area.
- This project is complimentary to CMAP's emphasis on using a Public Private Partnerships (P3) model as an innovative project delivery tool.

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**Sent:** Wednesday, August 28, 2013 9:07 PM  
**To:** Info  
**Subject:** Illiana corridor

I support including this project in the fiscally constrained category, and going ahead with the public private partnership for the expressway. I believe it would add to the economic vitality of the region, contribute to job growth, and relieve neighboring expressways of some of the truck traffic, as well as pay for itself in the long term.

Thank you

Steven A. Bonomo, Jr. PE

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**To:** Info  
**Subject:** Approve the Illiana Tollway & Add it to GOTO 2040 Plan!

Dear CMAP,

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**From:** [Corey Carbery](#)  
**To:** [Info](#)  
**Subject:** GO TO 2040 and TIP Amendment Public Comment  
**Date:** Friday, August 30, 2013 9:15:36 AM

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I support the proposed Illiana Expressway mainly for the long term economic impact and to relieve the congestion on our local roads.

Corey Carbery  
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**Subject:** Illiania expressway

Ladies and gentlemen,

I will try to keep this as short as possible yet get to the key points.

Attached is the letter from IDOT that sums up several items discussed in the past few months.

The perspective that I may share with the group is that the Illiania project is critical to the current and future economic engine in the Chicago land area with the world economy.

Chicago land has always needed additional east-west express routes to support the current north-south routes.

It must be included in the 2040 plan with the start of construction implemented quickly, 2014, as not to be sidelined and costing exponentially more to complete at a later time frame when, inflation increases and potentially local developments may impact the construction phase requiring to revert back to study, environmental, and planning phase.

I have attended all the local meetings and seen great progress in a short period of time, unlike the I-355 extension to New Lenox.

I have heard several positive comments that the B3 corridor was moved according to the input from the local land owners and recommendations for improvements to feeders.

To leave a few questions to discuss and collaborate with your group:

How will I-57 solely support the Peotone airport without the Illiania expressway?

As the Joliet, Elwood, Coal City area being the nation's largest dry dock, how will increased inbound/outbound freight move thru the current infrastructures now and in the future without the Illiania expressway?

What will be done to improve the safety of current intersections and roads that logistic routes currently travel?

How will school buses and farm equipment interact with the increased trucking units traveling on current routes?

What will be done to reconstruct current roads the truck traffic is using today? What impact will that have on local residents and local economies?

Current east-west routes will not support the weight of full width trucks on the shoulders. What will be done to improve shoulders to not create a safety issue?

How will I-57, I-55 and RT 80 support future increased truck traffic and population growth in the next 5,10 and 15 years with reconstruction? And without the Illiania project?

I would be happy to collaborate face to face if needed to discuss further why this project must be included in the very near plans to start construction.

Best regards,  
Sven Carlson

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**To:** Info  
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**Cc:** J C  
**Subject:** Illiana Expressway !

**IDOT,**

**Truck traffic on I-80 & I-55 is bad !**

**And-it is going to get worse.**

**This costs everyone time and money.**

**Therefore, I back the Illiana Expressway,**

**Sincerely,**

**John Crobie**  
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**To:** Info  
**Subject:** GO TO 2040 and TIP Amendment Public Comment

I support both the plan and TIP amendments. While it is true that the proposed route is farther south than originally thought and farther away from the current population centers, this is mainly due to the availability of undeveloped land. It is too hard to acquire right of way farther north and waiting will just mean the road gets pushed south even more. If nothing else, at least get the right of way preserved now.

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Thanks,  
Natalia Derevianko  
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Thank you,

Toni Dunne

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Approve the toll road plan it makes sense to me

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Please approve this project.

Michael Gahan

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To Whom it May Concern,

As a lifelong resident of Will County, Illinois, I would like to voice my strong support of the Illiana Project. We, as a region and a state, need the Illiana and we need it now. Please include it on the fiscally constrained major capital project (MCP) in the GO TO 2040 comprehensive regional plan.

The project has undergone intense and repeated scrutiny over the years and still it remains a viable project. Clearly it has value as a means to enhance existing as well as stimulate new business and commerce.

It will -

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Regards,  
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I am sending this message in strong support of the proposed Illiana Expressway and as presented in the approved Tier 1 documents prepared jointly by the Illinois and Indiana Departments of Transportation. This much needed roadway has been discussed for most of my 34+ years as a Professional Engineer in the State of Illinois. I strongly recommend that CMAP favorably consider the inclusion of the Illiana Corridor Project in their Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP).

## **Harry L. Gilmore, Jr., PE**

*Sr. Project Manager*



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To whom it may concern:

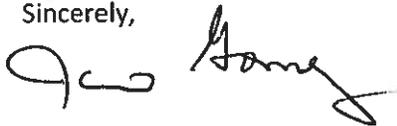
This letter is in regards to the proposed CMAP Plan Amendment, which would add the Illiana Expressway into the CMAP Plan and allow it to be built. I would like to pledge my support for the project because I feel it is very important if Chicago hopes to continue existing as an important freight hub and inland port for the country.

Moving freight is an important part of the Midwest's economy. Given its central location in the United States, Chicago has always been a major hub for the transport of goods. Our existing network of waterways, railroads, and expressways has historically allowed us to maintain our status as one of the busiest inland ports in the country. However, as the Chicago metropolitan area continues to develop, the increased congestion on the expressway system is a force that cannot be ignored. The existing expressway network is reaching its capacity, and if Chicago cannot do something to solve the congestion problems we face today, the freight companies will start moving away. This would be devastating to our economy, and we cannot allow this to happen.

The trucking industry relies on efficiency, and needs a reliable expressway network to get them where they need to go as quickly as possible. When congestion starts affecting their schedules, it is time for them to look at new options for getting around. In many cases, this means getting off the expressways and using the local arterials, which is still not ideal for them due to all of the stop-and-go traffic caused by lights and stop signs. The Illiana Expressway would provide a bypass for trucks that allows them to travel through the region without passing through the urban areas that currently surround the existing expressways and cause traffic delays. The Illiana Expressway is far enough outside of Chicago that it won't see the growth that other tollways closer to the city like I-88 and I-294 have seen. This is confirmed in your CMAP staff memo, which shows that the Illiana Expressway won't cause much urban sprawl. It will operate efficiently as a Chicago bypass and encourage businesses to stay here.

Moving freight and transporting goods is not just an issue for Wilmington and Peotone, it is an issue for the entire region. Chicago is currently one of the country's largest freight hubs, but what steps are we taking to ensure it stays that way? We need to invest in our future if we want to stay nationally competitive, and the Illiana Expressway is a good start.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joe Hamey". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping tail on the final letter.

**From:** [Gorski, Dave](#)  
**To:** [Info](#)  
**Subject:** GO TO 2040 and TIP Amendment Public Comment  
**Date:** Tuesday, September 03, 2013 5:37:23 PM

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Please include the Illiana in your plans.

- It has the potential of \$3 Billion + long term regional economic impact.
- Reducing traffic congestion on I 80, lending to a \$10 million + annual in time saving.
- It would greatly increase the work load, reducing unemployment in the given trades.

Thanks for your consideration.

Thanks,

Dave

Dave Gorski  
K-Five Construction Corp.  
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"You are confined only by the walls you build yourself." - Unknown

**From:** [James Grumley](#)  
**To:** [Info](#)  
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The proposed Illiana Expressway will be beneficial to the citizens of Illinois in every way. It will make travel much easier though Illinois and Indiana, will increase travel through Illinois, and will create both short-term and long-term jobs. Please do everything you can to get this important project started as quickly as possible. Jim Grumley

**From:** [PAUL\\_HANCOCK](#)  
**To:** [Info](#)  
**Subject:** Illiana Corridor  
**Date:** Wednesday, August 28, 2013 7:16:21 PM

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## ATTN: Plan & TIP Amendments

Lowell, IN needs the Illiana Expressway to relieve the amount of traffic on Route 2, which runs right thru the heart of town.

The high volume of vehicles, especially large trucks, cause conjection and destroy our road. Not to mention the number of near (or actual) accidents they are involved in at the intersections when they fail to slow down in time and blow thru the traffic lights.

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**From:** [Lou Haussmann](#)  
**To:** [Info](#)  
**Subject:** Plan and TIP Amendments  
**Date:** Thursday, August 29, 2013 8:20:22 AM

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Good morning CMAP,

I urge you to please ADD the Illiana Corridor to the fiscally constrained GO TO 2040 plan.

- <!--[if !supportLists]-->• <!--[endif]-->This is much needed, regional improvement that will alleviate congestion on arterial roadways in southern Cook/Will County.
- <!--[if !supportLists]-->• <!--[endif]-->The Illiana Corridor addresses the large growth in intermodal/truck traffic that is currently being experienced in Will County.
- <!--[if !supportLists]-->• <!--[endif]-->The proposed Illiana Corridor alignment has been selected to minimize disruption to existing residential, commercial, and industrial land uses.
- <!--[if !supportLists]-->• <!--[endif]-->The use of a Private-Public Partnership to finance the improvement is a responsible way to reduce costs and expedite project implementation.

Thank you,

Lou Haussmann

**From:** [Connie Heinrich](#)  
**To:** [Info](#)  
**Subject:** Public Comment - Illiana / Proposed Amendment to GO TO 2040  
**Date:** Monday, September 02, 2013 9:07:01 PM

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Date: September 2, 2013  
From: Connie Heinrich  
To: CMAP  
Re: Public Comment - Proposed Amendment to GO TO 2040 / Illiana Expressway

Why is the Illiana Expressway being "fast tracked?"

If the Illiana is being "fast tracked" because of the need for jobs and economic development to stimulate our recovering economy, then the existing Illiana "needs statement" should be modified to reflect that the driving force behind the B3 Illiana Expressway is exactly that - jobs and economic development.

Connie Heinrich  
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**From:** [Holbrook, Suzanne](#)  
**To:** [Info](#)  
**Subject:** 2040 & TIP Amendment Public Comment  
**Date:** Wednesday, September 04, 2013 9:58:19 AM

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Dear CMAP,

I am a resident of the region and I support the Illiana project and would like CMAP to do the same. We need to reduce traffic congestion. Besides, this bill would generate billions in long-term economic advancements to this region.

Thank you in advance for your time and consideration.

Suzanne Holbrook  
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CMAP

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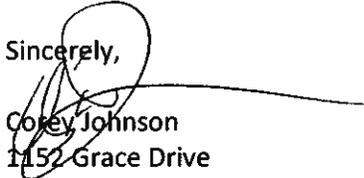
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Sincerely,



Corey Johnson  
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**From:** [Eric Kamenjarin](#)  
**To:** [Info](#)  
**Subject:** Approve the Illiana Tollway & Add it to GOTO 2040 Plan!  
**Date:** Wednesday, August 28, 2013 10:24:52 AM

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Dear CMAP,

The Illiana Tollway makes sense for so many reasons. Here are some:

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Thank you for your time and consideration on this matter!

**Eric Kamenjarin**

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**From:** [Jeff Kolmodin](#)  
**To:** [Info](#)  
**Subject:** Approve the Illiana Tollway & Add it to GOTO 2040 Plan!  
**Date:** Wednesday, August 28, 2013 3:38:07 PM  
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**From:** [Bryan Kopman](#)  
**To:** [Info](#)  
**Subject:** GO TO 2040 and TIP Amendment Public Comment  
**Date:** Thursday, August 29, 2013 4:29:36 PM

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I support the Illiana Expressway and urge CMAP to do the same. The Illiana Expressway will be beneficial to the citizens of Illinois in every way. It will make travel much easier though Illinois and Indiana, will increase travel through Illinois, and will create both short-term and long-term jobs. Please do everything you can to get this important project started as quickly as possible.

Thank you.

Bryan Kopman

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**From:** [Krug, Jennifer](#)  
**To:** [Info](#)  
**Subject:** GO TO 2040  
**Date:** Tuesday, September 03, 2013 5:01:26 PM

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I would strongly urge CMAP to include the proposed Illiana project corridor in its GoTo2040 Plan. As a life-long resident of northern Illinois, I know first-hand how vital this roadway will be to our business and economic growth and relieve congestion.

Jennifer Krug McNaughton  
K-Five Construction Corporation

**From:** [Kutemeier, Jay](#)  
**To:** [Info](#)  
**Subject:** TO CMAP  
**Date:** Wednesday, September 04, 2013 1:45:55 PM

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To CMAP:

Please reconsider your position on the Illiana expressway. This addition to the south side of Chicago will only strengthen Chicago's position in commerce and visitor traffic as it will ease congestion all around the City and suburbs making Chicago more accessible. The economic impact for jobs would be tremendous.

Thank you,

Jay Kutemeier  
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**From:** [Paulina Lisicka](#)  
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**Subject:** Approve the Illiana Tollway & Add it to GOTO 2040 Plan!  
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Thanks!

Paulina Lisicka  
Marketing Coordinator

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Sincerely,

Mike Magglo



**From:** [Jim Martell](#)  
**To:** [Info](#)  
**Subject:** Illiana BS corridor  
**Date:** Friday, August 30, 2013 7:33:24 AM

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CMAP,

It is very important for Illinois to continue to support infrastructure growth to be competitive with our surrounding states as we compete for jobs. To date the Will County Inland Port has been VERY successful in adding jobs. Other states are taking notice and are trying to grab some of the intermodal /inland port activity. In Kansas City, Center Point is opening an intermodal, St Louis, Indy, Memphis, Dallas etc, all looking to move those jobs to their states. If we lay down and do not continue our infrastructure investment to maintain the highest standards, the jobs will leave Illinois.

In addition to the long term jobs, the project will also create 1000's of construction jobs and also put capital into the Illinois economy; Expansion of existing business and new business attracted to the region due to the increased efficiencies of the logistics model based on the improved infrastructure allowing them to reach mover customers.

The B# corridor is also very important as it will anchor the southern end of the metro-plex. Allow for traffic to more efficiently reach destination in the region thus reducing the carbon footprint due to lessening the congestion of the current highways especially I 80. A vehicle that leaves Will County today for INDY has to go north to 80, then NE on 80 to Indiana then south on 65 .....versus going south to the B3 and then straight east to 65. A tremendous savings in drive times thus saving fuel as well as all the other attributes associated with the urban congestion that exists there today. Moving the corridor north closer to 80 will not achieve the results that are inherent in the B 3 corridor only further adding to the congestion etc that already exists.

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**To:** [Info](#)  
**Subject:** Approve the Illiana Tollway & Add it to GOTO 2040 Plan!  
**Date:** Wednesday, August 28, 2013 9:53:41 AM  
**Importance:** High

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**From:** [Jay Miller](#)  
**To:** [Info](#)  
**Subject:** Illiana Tollway makes sense for so many reasons  
**Date:** Thursday, August 29, 2013 4:25:13 PM  
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**Please do whatever is necessary to make sure this vital project moves forward!**

**Regards,**

Jay D. Miller  
Vice President



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**From:** [Mrowicki, Andrew](#)  
**To:** [Info](#)  
**Subject:** ILLIANA  
**Date:** Tuesday, September 03, 2013 1:01:25 PM  
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Attn: Plan and TIP amendments:

The ILLIANA is an extremely important project for our state for many reasons, however the one that stands out is its significance as a P3 in Illinois. We must put forth an effort in this arena and prove that it can be a success in order to bolster taxpayers faith that we are looking at alternatives for infrastructure funding and improvements. ILLIANA's stakeholders, including the trucking industry, are in full support of the project and it is vital to economic growth in the region that is both ripe and receptive to it. Please make sure this endeavor moves forward.

**ANDY MROWICKI, P.E.**

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**To:** [Info](#)  
**Subject:** In support of the Illiana Corridor  
**Date:** Friday, August 30, 2013 10:25:34 AM  
**Attachments:** [image001.png](#)

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I support the Illiana Corridor to be added to the list of ***fiscally constrained projects*** in its GO TO 2040 comprehensive regional plan.

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**To:** [Info](#)  
**Subject:** Illinana Corridor Project  
**Date:** Thursday, August 29, 2013 11:06:55 AM

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Hello:

I am just emailing to indicate my support for the Illinana Cooridor project to be added to the Fiscally Constrained Project list for the Go To 2040 plan. In addition to helping to alleviate truck traffic on I 80 /94 I beleive it would be an economic benifit to the southlands area.

Please consider adding this project to the list of fiscally constrained projects as it is my understanding it would not require removing any projects currently on the list.

Sincerley,  
Joe Neumann  
Orland Park, Illinois

**From:** [Beth Nielsen](#)  
**To:** [Info](#)  
**Subject:** Approve the Illiana Tollway & Add it to GOTO 2040 Plan!  
**Date:** Wednesday, August 28, 2013 10:38:34 AM  
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*Beth Nielsen*

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**From:** [niksch@comcast.net](mailto:niksch@comcast.net)  
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**Subject:** Illiana Corridor  
**Date:** Thursday, August 29, 2013 8:58:45 AM

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Dear Members of CMAP:

I am in complete agreement with the request to you to consider including the Illiana Corridor into the fiscally constrained comprehensive regional plan. I have been on the Stakeholders Committee since it started and in complete favor of the project. I do believe the benefits will be tremendous.

Thank you for your consideration.  
Doug Niksch  
President: Lowell Redevelopment Commission

**From:** [Don Olivieri](#)  
**To:** [Info](#)  
**Subject:** Illiana Expressway  
**Date:** Tuesday, August 27, 2013 11:34:02 AM

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We need the Illiana Expressway for the following reasons:

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Please keep this project moving forward!

**Donald H Olivieri** | NCARB  
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**From:** [Tara A. Orbon](#)  
**To:** [Info](#)  
**Subject:** Plan and TIP Amendments  
**Date:** Thursday, August 29, 2013 7:28:03 AM

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As a resident of southern Cook County and as a Transportation Engineer, I urge you to **please ADD the Illiana Corridor to the fiscally constrained GO TO 2040 plan.**

- This is much needed, regional improvement that will alleviate congestion on arterial roadways in southern Cook/Will County.
- The Illiana Corridor addresses the large growth in intermodal/truck traffic that will be experienced in Will County. We need this bypass for trucks.
- The proposed Illiana Corridor alignment makes sense—it's location on the north side of the Peotone airport will help efficiently move people/goods to and from the future airport.
- The use of a P3 to finance the improvement is a responsible way to reduce costs and expedite project implementation.

Thank you,

Tara Orbon

**From:** [Rachel Parisi](#)  
**To:** [Info](#)  
**Subject:** Approve the Illiana Tollway & Add it to GOTO 2040 Plan!  
**Date:** Wednesday, August 28, 2013 12:39:53 PM

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**From:** [Laura M. Pawley](#)  
**To:** [Info](#)  
**Subject:** Approve the Illiana Tollway & Add it to GOTO 2040 Plan!  
**Date:** Wednesday, August 28, 2013 10:07:12 AM

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Please approve the Illiana Tollway. It will greatly help Illinois' economy and its people.

Sincerely,

Laura Pawley

**From:** [Lynn K Petrella](#)  
**To:** [Info](#)  
**Subject:** Approve the Illiana Tollway & Add it to GOTO 2040 Plan!  
**Date:** Wednesday, August 28, 2013 10:32:54 AM

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Lynn Petrella

**From:** [Scott](#)  
**To:** [Info](#)  
**Subject:** Illiana project  
**Date:** Wednesday, September 04, 2013 7:35:05 AM

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It whom it may concern,  
I am a long time resident of the region and strongly support the advancement of this project.  
I believe it will have along term positive economic impact to our region, create jobs that desperately needed in our region, and reduce traffic congestion, which will also have a positive impact on time and money saved through reduced fuel consumption. I hope that the CAMAP reconsiders their position on this project.

Thank you,  
Scott Pirkins

132 Ashcroft Dr  
Bolingbrook, Illinois 60490

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**From:** [Amar Rajpurkar](#)  
**To:** [Info](#)  
**Subject:** Illiana Corridor  
**Date:** Wednesday, August 28, 2013 9:36:39 PM

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I'm writing to CMAP in support of the Illiana Corridor. Clearly this project is needed for Will county and neighboring Indiana. The truck diversion benefits alone are significant. Building this corridor will certainly drive economic benefit to this region.

The fact that IDOT/InDOT can create capacity in the state without heavy construction investment is a plus. Those of us that live in the Northern region of Illinois are used to the Tollway and the user fee mentality of using the system. As long as there is interoperability between the I-Pass and E-Pass, I'm satisfied.

I fully support Illiana moving forward.

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Sincerely,

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Rich Regan

815-476-7828

Illiana public comments taken via phone

August 16, 2013

Live in Ridgeport (south Joliet, west of Wilmington near Kankakee River bridge) area, helps intermodal traffic, anything that could help our traffic down here. There's a lot of traffic and they need an East West Route South of Route 80 that helps alleviate traffic in this area. Route 17 isn't a reliable route for trucks. The tollway is a good idea because the state is promoting the intermodal facilities. Should go through Midewin property instead of disrupt people's house. If they build warehouse down here, there needs to be a way to get the truck traffic out of the area.

**From:** [Denise Remec](#)  
**To:** [Info](#)  
**Subject:** Approve the Illiana Tollway & Add it to GOTO 2040 Plan!  
**Date:** Wednesday, August 28, 2013 10:12:35 AM

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**Dear CMAP,**

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*Denise Remec*  
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**From:** [Karyn Richter](#)  
**To:** [Info](#)  
**Subject:** Approve the Illiana Tollway & Add it to GOTO 2040 Plan!  
**Date:** Friday, August 30, 2013 9:51:15 PM

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**From:** [Steve Richter](#)  
**To:** [Info](#)  
**Subject:** Approve the Illiana Tollway & Add it to GOTO 2040 Plan!  
**Date:** Wednesday, August 28, 2013 12:05:19 PM  
**Attachments:** [image001.png](#)

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**From:** [Brenda Roberts](#)  
**To:** [Info](#)  
**Subject:** Illiana Tollway  
**Date:** Thursday, August 29, 2013 8:47:18 AM

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Dear Sirs,

I fully support the building of the Illiana Tollway to support the growing economy in the northern Indiana region. I also still believe that there should be an interchange on Morse Street north of Lowell. This will bring more people from outlying and inter-state communities to the resort area of Cedar Lake. Cedar Lake is a growing community that offers a wide range of recreational activity. This lake and surrounding community is only 40 miles from Chicago and needs to be easily accessible to out-lying areas.

Thank you  
Brenda Roberts  
Tel.: 219-6968186

**From:** [Sanchez, Bill](#)  
**To:** [Info](#)  
**Subject:** I Support the Illiana Expressway  
**Date:** Tuesday, September 03, 2013 7:50:28 AM  
**Attachments:** [image001.png](#)  
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I am in support...

**Bill Sanchez**

Resident Manager

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**From:** [David Schaulat](#)  
**To:** [Info](#)  
**Subject:** Plan and TIP Amendments  
**Date:** Monday, September 02, 2013 1:04:19 PM

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Dear CMAP,

We are writing to show our approval of the proposed Illiana Tollway to be built on the current route (B3).

The project is long overdue and presents numerous benefits for the Southern Chicagoland area.

A few specific examples are:

-Anyone who is familiar with the east west journey along 80/94, route 30, or route 2/17, would understand that there needs to be an alternative for truck traffic.

-There are numerous small towns on this southerly sprawl that need less of this truck traffic on their 'local' roads; Lowell, Grant Park, Chicago Heights, and Olympia Fields are a few that readily come to mind.

-As indicated in the August 25 NWI Times newspaper, Crown Point and St. John rank 4th and 5th in a Chicagoland study of housing starts, this shows that the housing sprawl is already here, and future traffic on local roads will increase. There has to be an alternative to keep trucks off our local roads.

-This project will provide for a steady growth rate in the region and continue to enhance the area with diversity and opportunities.

The time to approve this infrastructure initiative is now. We need both jobs and steady growth for the region.

If this doesn't happen now, the ability to build this road will diminish substantially and the costs increase dramatically!

Please approve this important road project on your October 9th vote.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,  
David and Beth Schaulat  
Lowell Indoana

**From:** [Tim Seibt](#)  
**To:** [Info](#)  
**Subject:** Approve the Illiana Tollway & Add it to GOTO 2040 Plan!  
**Date:** Friday, August 30, 2013 8:31:03 AM  
**Attachments:** [image001.png](#)  
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Best regards.

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**"Ancora Imparo"**

**From:** [Sam L Semrow](#)  
**To:** [Info](#)  
**Subject:** Illiana Corridor  
**Date:** Thursday, August 29, 2013 9:22:11 AM

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Please include the Illiana corridor in the CMAP Go To 2040 planning process. I strongly support this project to reduce congestion in the south Chicago northwest Indiana corridor, especially truck traffic. The project is conceived as a toll road and will be sustained through toll revenue. Jobs will be created and the proposed south Chicago area airport will be accessible through this project. Anything that can be done to move this regional project forward should be done.

Sincerely,

Sam L Semrow, MBA, CPIM, C.P.M.  
Supply Chain Management Consultant, "Seeking my next Opportunity"

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**From:** [Sikes, Ryan M.](#)  
**To:** [Info](#)  
**Subject:** Support the Illiana Expressway  
**Date:** Tuesday, August 27, 2013 1:35:45 PM

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Hello,

I think the proposed Illiana expressway is a wonderful idea.

As an civil engineering firm in Joliet, IL, having the possibility to work on a brand new expressway in the area would be a great opportunity. As far as the route itself, I have read into the proposed south suburban airport that will center near Peotone, Monee, and Beecher, which from the picture would appear to service it well. I think it would be good to reduce the amount of truck traffic on I-80. However, I may suggest looking into connecting the route into the new I-355 extension to southbound I-65 instead of the route shown.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Ryan Sikes  
Strand Associates, Inc.  
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Joliet, IL 60431  
Phone: 815-744-4200 x 3176

**From:** [Simmons, Tony](#)  
**To:** [Info](#)  
**Subject:** GO TO 2040 and TIP Amendment Public Comment  
**Date:** Friday, August 30, 2013 10:45:54 AM  
**Attachments:** [image001.png](#)

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Please add the Illiana Corridor project to the regional GO TO 2040 plan. Construction of the project will serve the already significant movement of freight in Will County, as well as add thousands of jobs and stimulate growth within the region.

Thank you.

**Anthony P. Simmons, P.E.**  
Project Director - Transportation

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**From:** [Tricia Simpson](#)  
**To:** [Info](#)  
**Subject:** GO TO 2040 AND TIP AMENDMENT PUBLIC COMMENT  
**Date:** Thursday, August 29, 2013 2:36:24 PM

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**I support the construction of the Illiana Expressway and urge CMAP to add it to the five-year transportation plan.**

I am a Frankfort resident who works in Joliet. I travel I-80 between I-57 and I-55 daily. The current congestion on that corridor will be significantly reduced with the construction of the Illiana Expressway and will provide significant near-and long-term environmental and economic benefits to the region.

Thank you for your consideration.

Tricia L. Simpson  
945 Shetland Drive  
Frankfort, IL 60423

**From:** [Smith, Justin](#)  
**To:** [Info](#)  
**Subject:** Illiana  
**Date:** Wednesday, September 04, 2013 6:31:41 AM

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**I'm a resident of Channahon, Illinois, and support this project. I would like to see CMAP do the same.**

**Respectfully,**

Justin Smith  
K-Five Construction  
630-768-8713  
justins@k-five.net

**From:** [Sniegowski, Mark](#)  
**To:** [Info](#)  
**Subject:** Add Illiana to GoTo2040 Plan  
**Date:** Tuesday, September 03, 2013 9:30:14 PM

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Dear CMAP representatives:

I am a resident of the region and am asking you to include the proposed Illiana in their GoTo2040 plan. I support this project and want CMAP to do the same.

Please do the right thing and get the Illiana moving forward.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark A. Sniegowski  
11919 Pine Avenue  
Lemont, IL 60439

**From:** [Laura Snyder](#)  
**To:** [Info](#)  
**Subject:** Support adding Illiana to the CMAP plan  
**Date:** Friday, August 30, 2013 8:33:39 AM

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I am a commuter and homeowner in Northwest Indiana. I want to voice my support for the project. It will be a big help to relieve congestion and improve the local economy.

Regards

Laura Snyder

**From:** [Kathy M. Sons](#)  
**To:** [Info](#)  
**Subject:** GO TO 2040 and TIP Amendment Public Comment  
**Date:** Thursday, August 29, 2013 2:53:22 PM

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I would like to express my support for the Illiana Expressway project, which will provide a needed transportation route that will decrease congestion on I-80 and provide a time and money-reducing bypass for freight carrier and other trucks and businesses traveling between Indiana and Illinois, but not going into the city. Please include this project in the five year transportation plan for the Chicago metropolitan area. Thank you.

Kathy M. Sons

**From:** [cjstenzel@transystems.com](mailto:cjstenzel@transystems.com)  
**To:** [Info](#)  
**Subject:** Support for Illiana  
**Date:** Tuesday, September 03, 2013 7:27:46 AM  
**Attachments:** [image0b992.JPG](#)

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I am writing in support of the Illiana Corridor to be added to the list of fiscally constrained projects in the GO TO 2040 comprehensive regional plan. This is an important project for the long-term economic well-being of the region. Before the recent economic recession, Will County was one of the fastest growing counties in the country. Significant transportation and employment investments have already been made in the area such as the Joliet Intermodal Terminal and Logistics Park Chicago. The Illiana Expressway is a key element in the transportation infrastructure to support the economic growth. This translates to good paying jobs and a strong tax base, which benefits everyone.

The Illiana project is projected to generate sufficient toll revenue over the period to 2053 to repay the initial cost of the project and the operation and maintenance costs of the facility for the term of the agreement. In addition, IDOT does not need to remove any projects within the GO TO 2040 plan to implement the Illiana Corridor. For these reasons, please add the Illiana Expressway to the list of fiscally constrained projects in the GO TO 2040 comprehensive regional plan.

Thank you,  
Chuck Stenzel

**Charles J. Stenzel PE**  
Principal  
Senior Vice President



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Chicago, IL 60606

To CMAP Staff:

This letter is regarding the CMAP proposed amendment that would add the Illiana Corridor project to the GO TO 2040 comprehensive regional plan list of fiscally-constrained projects. I would like to express that I am strongly in favor of this project, and it is needed for many reasons.

Will County is one of the fastest-growing counties in the country, and it will only continue to grow. It is an attractive place to live and work, and it is no wonder that people and businesses continue to move here. In order for Will County to continue to flourish, smart infrastructure investments like the Illiana Corridor must be made right now before it is too late. The existing I-55 and I-57 highways provide good routes for north-south travel through the area, but there is a lack of comparable east-west routes south of I-80. The project will create a better grid network for Will County and allow them easier access around the region.

As Will County continues to grow, it is inevitable that traffic and congestion will keep growing with it. The Illiana Corridor project provides a unique opportunity for this area to address current and future congestion problems by making this investment while it is still economically feasible. The more that an area develops, the more expensive it becomes to widen and maintain the existing roads, nonetheless fund a new highway. The Route 53 Extension project up north is a perfect example of that. It is a much-needed project that will cost way more now than it would have if it were built decades ago when it was first planned.

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Thank you for this opportunity to comment on this important project.

Sincerely,



Steve Stoyhoff

**From:** [glenn.tredinnick](#)  
**To:** [Info](#)  
**Subject:** ILLIANA: IDOT Comments on the CMAP Evaluation  
**Date:** Saturday, August 31, 2013 4:57:58 AM

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I believe the Illiana Corridor should be included in the fiscally constrained plan. Every time I travel east and try to return, the traffic on Interstate 90 around Gary, Indiana is heavily congested and does not flow freely. We as motorists need some relief. The amount of wasted gasoline must be quite large. If Illiana Corridor project is not included in the GO TO 2040 plan, the \$40 million investment in planning will be lost forever. It is my personal opinion that building the Illiana Corridor would not have a significant impact upon the urbanization of the region. There are a lot of interstate trucks trying to get coast to coast and get past Chicago. This new road would help. Local roads and streets would be helped by getting the traffic off the local streets and onto the limited access roads. Once it is built, people will use it. I fully support this proposed roadway construction.

Glenn Tredinnick  
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Aurora, Illinois 60506

**From:** [Stephen.Tribuzzi@exeloncorp.com](mailto:Stephen.Tribuzzi@exeloncorp.com)  
**To:** [Info](#)  
**Subject:** GO TO 2040 and TIP Amendment Public Comment  
**Date:** Tuesday, August 27, 2013 1:18:05 PM

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I am writing in support of the proposed Illiana Expressway as a new forty-seven mile east-west interstate highway connecting I-55 in Illinois to I-65 in Indiana. This new highway will provide a safe, efficient transportation route to serve the business and population growth in Northeastern Illinois and Northwestern Indiana. As a resident of Grundy County Illinois I am well aware of the added value this new expressway will bring to the region.

Thank you for your consideration,

Steve Tribuzzi  
26520 W. Glacier Ct.  
Channahon, IL 60410

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**From:** [James F. Trost](#)  
**To:** [Info](#)  
**Subject:** Approve the Illiana Tollway & Add it to GOTO 2040 Plan!  
**Date:** Wednesday, August 28, 2013 9:58:11 AM

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**James F. Trost**

**From:** [Sarah Turner](#)  
**To:** [Info](#)  
**Subject:** Approve the Illiana Tollway & Add it to GOTO 2040 Plan!  
**Date:** Wednesday, August 28, 2013 10:34:45 AM

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September 3, 2013

Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP)  
233 South Wacker Drive  
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Chicago, Illinois 60606

Attn: *GOTO 2040* Public Comment

Subject: Illiana Corridor

This letter is being written to urge the CMAP MPO Policy Committee and Board to recommend and approve the inclusion of the Illiana Expressway as a fiscally constrained major project within CMAP's *GOTO 2040* comprehensive regional plan as requested by the Illinois Department of Transportation (the Department) on April 10, 2013.

As a member of the engineering and transportation communities I have been following the Illiana study process with more than a casual interest since Indiana began its feasibility study several years ago. While not a member of the study team or part of any of the CPG or TTF groups formed as part of the Department's Context Sensitive Solutions approach to the study, I have followed the public record on the project and attended several public meetings/forums to keep broadly informed. I have several observations about the study process that I think are relevant:

- The project is a joint effort between the States of Illinois and Indiana. The bi-state participation is unprecedented in recent memory and resulted in both states passing substantial new legislation to allow the use of Public Private Partnership (P3) mechanisms in developing transportation projects.
- The tiered approach to the Phase I engineering and environmental study has been a prudent use of study resources and personnel to effectively screen the multitude of alternatives and quickly narrow the focus to a preferred corridor for further detailed analysis.
- The entire process has been open and transparent with the full cooperation of the FHWA, CMAP, local communities and a multitude of stakeholders. The process allowed for the Tier One Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) to receive the FHWA's Record of Decision (ROD) on January 17, 2013 to move forward with the B3 corridor.

I have read the Department's supporting documentation in their request for inclusion of the Illiana Corridor in the fiscally constrained CMAP *GOTO 2040* Comprehensive Regional Plan, dated May 10, 2013 as well as CMAP's Staff response dated July 30, 2013 and subsequent Department comments dated August 19, 2013. While it is not prudent that I provide any substantive

technical evaluation of the issues because of lack of adequate project information, I would like to express some observations and opinions that I think are relevant:

1. It appears the Department has gone to extraordinary measure to be cognizant of the principles and goals of the CMAP *GOTO 2040* plan and taken every effort to meet the intent of those goals with the Illiana Expressway. While opinions will differ on the matter, I believe the Illiana Expressway corridor will be one of the most environmentally conscience projects the State has ever built.
2. It is my understanding that there is a significant dispute on the approach to the modeling done for the corridor. CMAP has utilized a regional model that is consistent with their socio-economic approach to regional planning while the Department has utilized a project specific modeling approach as required by the FHWA's NEPA process. In reviewing CMAP's staff response memo it appears both models are similar in their forecasts for total regional population growth – the main difference being the distribution of the population growth between Cook and the outlier counties (McHenry, Kane and Will). Unless the City of Chicago and the inner suburbs of Cook County can resolve some long standing issues related to crime, poor schools and economic inequities, I do not believe CMAP's model reflect a realistic assumption of the Chicagoland metropolitan area's future growth.
3. Much has been made in the news of the economic impact of the Illiana Expressway to the region. As highlighted by Figure 13 in CMAP's response neither model has significant impacts to the regions anticipated gross regional product with the most aggressive assumptions contributing only 0.25%. In my opinion, neither model can accurately predict an economic forecast 30 years in the future and the corridor's economic impact should not be a basis for a decision either way.
4. I have reviewed the cost methodology outlined by the Department in the Tier One Environmental Impact Statement (Appendix G) and find it reasonable in its approach, assumptions and cost magnitudes. As a transportation professional, I have been involved in the project development and execution of several major expressway corridors over the past 20 years so I do have some technical basis for my opinions. The CMAP staff response memo indicates a 2020 cost estimate for the Illiana Expressway on the order of \$8.1 million per lane mile (Page 4, paragraph 2). Based on recent project experiences, this appears to be a highly exaggerated estimate for this type of facility. I also question the use of the year 2020 for comparison. Any estimate needs consistent application of escalation assumptions in order for adequate comparisons to be made. Furthermore, it should be noted that the Tier Two process requires the preparation of a detailed financial plan. The FHWA will take an active role in the review of the plan and the cost estimates prepared in its development. It seems prudent to wait for the results of this analysis (forthcoming soon) before making significant comments to the cost of the corridor.

For too long this State has suffered from inaction – the fear of making decisions. In the meantime our current transportation network has crumbled, suffered from inadequate funding sources and neglect. Other States are not sitting on their hand - they recognize the importance transportation plays in their economic viability. In the last couple of years Illinois too has come

to realize this. Our region has rallied in support of the Illinois Tollway's *Move Illinois* program as well as supported the reconstruction of the Circle Interchange. These projects have undeniable regional benefits – so too does the Illiana Expressway. Let's change the cycle of inaction and fear. Let's begin to take decisive action on important transportation issues. The State of Illinois and Department of Transportation is taking a proactive approach that will benefit the region and support the economic vitality of the State. I urge CMAP to show the same level of leadership – support the Illiana Expressway and include it as a fiscally constrained major project in the *GOTO 2040* regional plan.

Open debate of significant regional issues is vitally important. Thank you for the opportunity to share my opinion on this important matter.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brian Umbright", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right. The signature is written over a thin horizontal line.

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Brian Umbright, P.E., S.E.

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Sincerely,

Anthony Walkk  
Joliet, IL.

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Please include the Illiana Corridor in the CMAP 2040 Fiscally Constrained Plan. The Illiana Expressway will aid in the Chicago areas growth. It will relieve congestion on I-80 and I-94 Corridor. The proposed P3 model should reduce the cost to government to built and maintain the roadway. A tollway is proposed which will mean users pay for the road and not tax increases. The new roadway will create jobs for the region. There is a lot of congestion now in Will county due to several new intermodal facilities, the new expressway should help reduce the congestion. The Illiana Expressway is supported by IDOT using the proposed B3 route. That route will displace the least amount of residences. Tom Weigel, Will County Board Member, District #12

**From:** [Paul Yerkes](#)  
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**Subject:** Approve the Illiana Tollway & Add it to GOTO 2040 Plan!  
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- **It will be built as a public-private toll road, using innovative private sector financing**
- **Environmentally correct: reduces number of hours traveled, hours of emissions, and wasted fuel due to congestion**
- **Improves traffic safety throughout the region.**

Thanks,

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Sincerely,

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