



MEMORANDUM

To: Transportation Committee

From: CMAP Staff

Date: May 8, 2015

Re: Status of Transportation Alternative Program – Local

CMAP staff has been actively managing the Transportation Alternatives Program – Local projects. This memo serves as an update on the projects within the program. Currently three of the eight projects have been fully authorized and are constructed, under construction, or will begin construction soon.

The projects had milestones set in the [sponsor guidance](#) based on whether they require right of way or not. If a project missed three milestones, it would be considered for removal from the program to allow for obligation of the funding within the timeframe set out during programming. At this time, three projects have missed three or more milestones.

Cal-Sag Trail

Two of those projects are the Alsip and Dolton segments of the Cal-Sag Trail, which have not begun phase II engineering at this time. Although phase I engineering was significantly complete when the projects were programmed, further coordination with IDOT's bridge engineer delayed phase I accomplishment. Phase II engineering is anticipated to be kicked off in June of 2015.

Deerfield Road bike path

The second project is Lake County's Deerfield Road bike path from Milwaukee Avenue to the Des Plaines River. The sponsor has indicated their commitment to completing this project by initiating phase II engineering prior to having a commitment of reimbursement from IDOT. However, one parcel of right of way is still being negotiated while the other two parcels are secured.

Both projects, although missing deadlines, are high priorities for not only the sponsors, but also the region. At this time, CMAP does not recommend removing any projects from the program.