St. Charles to receive $1.92 million for pedestrian bridge

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St. Charles, IL — St. Charles will receive funding assistance for the **Red Gate Bridge Project** thanks to a $1.92 million grant from the **Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning Council** (CMAP,) according Mark Koenen, St. Charles' director of public works.

The money will be used to build a pedestrian bridge. However, the project also includes a two-road bridge. Both bridges will extend Red Gate Road over the Fox River to Route 25.

In addition, CMAP is providing funding to 114 other projects across Chicagoland. The $411 million program is meant to improve transit, roads, bicycle and pedestrian facilities. The funds are also part of federal transportation funds that aim to reduce congestion and improve air quality.

Preparation work for bridge construction is currently taking place with construction of the road and pedestrian bridge scheduled to begin in early spring.

The entire project is estimated to cost about $30 million.

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