

PROVIDING CRITICAL INVESTMENT IN COOK COUNTY INFRASTRUCTURE THAT SUPPORTS REGIONAL AND NATIONAL COMMERCE

## Project Overview

The Cook County Department of Transportation and Highways (DoTH) initiated the rehabilitation of the Central Avenue Bridge that spans over the Sanitary & Ship Canal near the western border of Chicago and travels through the Villages of Stickney and Forest View. This four-lane, 0.71 mile-long bridge serves many neighboring industrial sites and provides a vital connection to Interstate 55 and Midway Airport. The scope of this project includes full replacement of the bridge deck, repairing the steel girders and concrete piers, and re-painting the bridge girders. These improvements will bring the bridge to a state of good repair and support continued serviceability to freight movement in the region.

The project is being funded by DoTH using Rebuild Illinois bond funds. Construction began in July 2023.

### BENEFITS

- Increasing access to industrial business
- Enhancing safety for motor vehicles that use the Central Avenue Bridge
- Extending the useful life of the bridge

### COMMUNITIES BENEFITTED

- Village of Stickney
- Stickney Township
- Village of Forest View
- Lake Township
- Town of Cicero
- Cicero Township

Vital roadway serving an average of

**10,000** 

vehicles daily traveling to neighborhoods, Midway Airport, and manufacturing and industrial yards



## KEY COUNTY GOALS ADDRESSED

### From the Long Range Transportation Plan



**MAINTAIN AND MODERNIZE**  
what already exists



**SUPPORT** the region's role as  
North America's freight capital



**INCREASE** investments  
in transportation

### From the Policy Roadmap



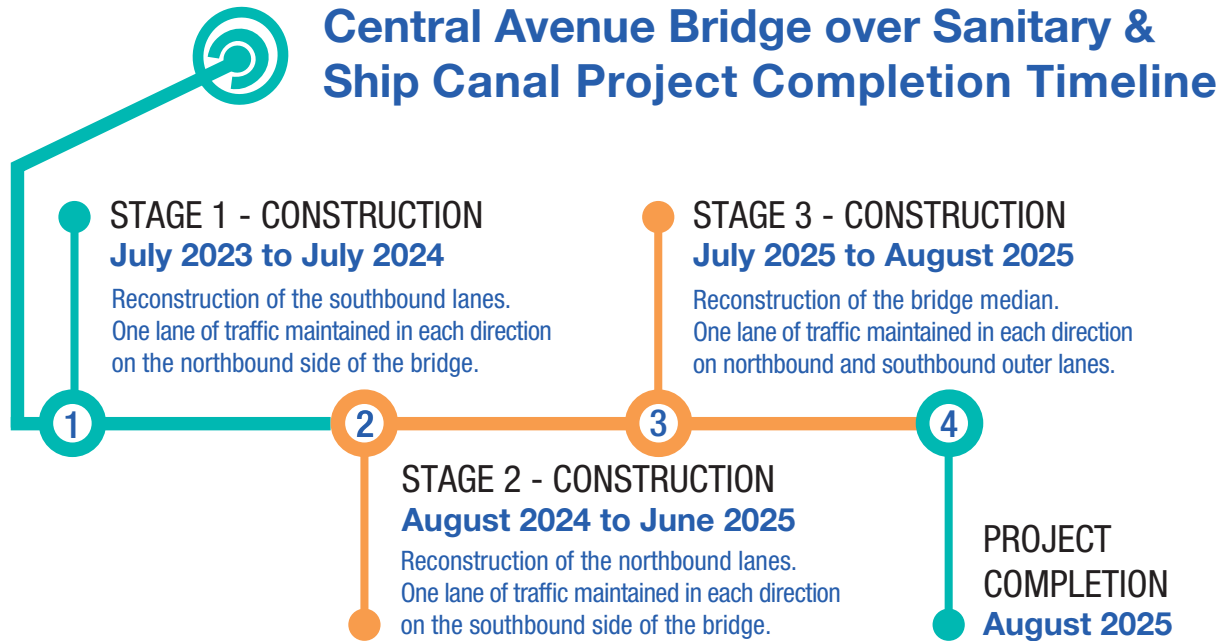
**SMART COMMUNITIES**  
Public Infrastructure



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# Project Timeline



## Existing Bridge Conditions:



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