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José R. Alvarez Named Tollway Executive Director

The Illinois Tollway Board this morning appointed **José R. Alvarez** as the Tollway's new Executive Director. No news yet on when Mr. Alvarez will assume his official duties.

Since 2014, Mr. Alvarez served as Chief Operating Officer for the Chicago Housing Authority (CHA), where he handled the day-to-day operations of the agency. He previously worked in multiple key leadership roles within the Chicago Public Schools (CPS) system and served as Chief of Staff for the State of Education Office in Washington, D.C. He graduated from Columbia College.

The IRTBA looks forward to a positive and productive relationship with Executive Director Alvarez.

Doug House Appointed as IDOT Deputy Secretary

In other agency leadership news, **Douglas House** was appointed as the Illinois Department of Transportation's (IDOT) Deputy Secretary of Transportation, effective April 17, 2019. Mr. House will be dealing with state and federal legislation and communications in his new role.

His background includes serving as a construction analyst for the Indiana, Illinois, Iowa Foundation for Fair Contracting, affiliated with Operating Engineers Local 150. He also served as the Rock Island County Democratic Chairman and president of the Illinois Democratic County Chairs Association. His prior transportation experience includes service as the Municipal Services General Manager for the City of Moline and in the United State Army Engineers as a Training Sergeant for the construction of roads and for the training of heavy construction equipment operators.

IRTBA looks forward to working with Deputy Secretary House to advance and promote the transportation design and construction industry in Illinois.

