

I-55 Managed Lanes Project in Jeopardy

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CALL TO ACTION: I-55 Managed Lanes Project in Jeopardy

The I-55 Managed Lanes project is a critical improvement project in the northeast Illinois transportation system. The proposed project would add a tolled express lane between Veterans Memorial Tollway (I-355) and the Dan Ryan Expressway (I-90/94). **The Illinois General Assembly has failed to vote on a joint resolution for almost a year.**

IDOT Secretary Randy Blankenhorn commented on the project's limbo status in an editorial in Friday's edition of the Chicago Tribune, "Without a vote by April 1, the project no longer is feasible for the private sector. Investors will walk away. The cost to pursue this project in the future will only increase." Blankenhorn added, "A multi-modal transportation system is the asset that separates Illinois from its competitors. While the General Assembly stays on the sidelines, Illinois is in danger once again of being left behind."

IRTBA strongly urges all members to contact their Senators and State Representatives as soon as possible to stress the project's importance to industry, as well as a critical piece of the puzzle to provide congestion relief for the motoring public.

For details on the proposed project, visit the [project website here](#).

For assistance identifying your Senator and State Representative, visit the [Legislator Lookup page](#) on the Illinois General Assembly website, where you can search by address or zip code.

Time is of the essence. Please contact your Senators and State Representatives today.