



End of Week Summary: March 22, 2019

State Update

Senate Transportation Committee Chair Marty Sandoval filed an amendment to SB 103 incorporating a state transportation funding plan developed by Operating Engineers Local 150 to provide \$2 billion in annual pay-as-you-go maintenance funds for roads and transit. The bill also outlines a youth training and education program in the building trades, creates a commission to prioritize projects, and allows local governments and transit to impose their own transportation taxes.

Additional proposals are expected to be introduced, and the Governor's office and General Assembly leaders are expected to begin discussions on infrastructure funding and capital investment soon.

TFIC is looking forward to negotiations with all parties to produce a comprehensive transportation funding and capital investment program this spring.

Senate Committees Continue Hearings

The Senate Transportation Capital Subcommittee and the Senate Appropriations II Capital Subcommittee will continue their hearings around the state with testimony from local leaders regarding capital investment needs. The committees are selecting area individuals to provide testimony for each hearing. Everyone is welcome to attend, and can bring written comments to the hearing to provide them to committee staff.

The next committee hearing will be 3 pm Monday, April 8 at Bradley University in Peoria.

TFIC Wednesday Morning Key Legislator Briefings

The next TFIC Wednesday morning briefing will be held on March 27 at the Illinois AFL-CIO office, 534 S. Second, Springfield. Mary Craighead, a Transportation Policy Analyst at the Illinois Economic Policy Institute, will present the findings of her recent study of transportation investment needs in Illinois.

2019 Lobby Day

More than 65 participants have registered for the April 3 Transportation Lobby Day event. If you haven't yet registered, but are planning to attend, please use [this form](#) to register. The deadline for registering is next Wednesday, March 27.

Special thanks to these TFIC organizations for their sponsorship of the lobby day:

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Federal Update

TFIC staff is working with our Federal Affairs Committee Chair Mike Sturino and his staff at the Illinois Road and Transportation to develop a schedule for the May Fly-In that you won't want to miss! At this point, we plan to schedule meetings with members of the Illinois delegation on Tuesday, May 14 and the morning of Wednesday, May 15. IRTBA is planning and TFIC is supporting and participating in a breakfast briefing the morning of May 15. And, we hope to be able to invite the Illinois members of the House T and I Committee and the Appropriations Committee to meet with our full fly-in contingent in the T and I Committee room the afternoon of May 15. Look for more information and a sign-up form next week.

Federal Funding Discussion Continues

Congress continues to work on funding proposals to address infrastructure investment needs and the President still indicates that this is a topic on which he and the Democrats can reach agreement. More on the discussion from this [Transport Topics story](#).

News

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