



End of Week Summary: November 8, 2019

State Update

Clean-ups related to the transportation funding and capital programs did not advance during the first week of veto session. TFIC will be monitoring the clean-up legislation this coming week as veto session concludes..

In addition, the State House Committee voted to oppose SB 2266 (DeWitte) and HB 3937 (Cabello). Both bills would reduce the funding for transportation just approved this past spring. SB 2266 takes \$1 from the increased electric car registration fee to help fund State Police cadet classes. HB 3937 eliminates the motor fuel tax increase approved this spring when unemployment reaches 8%.

The State House Committee also voted to support SB 2284 (Manar) that would eliminate the Government Accountability and Transparency Act reporting requirement for recipients of formula funding, such as local governments that receive motor fuel tax formula funds.

Federal Update

AASHTO is leading the advocacy in DC to repeal the rescission provisions that would otherwise significantly reduce state contract authority next year. Action is needed in 2019 to prevent the rescission from having impact. More on the issue is [here](#) in the AASHTO Journal.

Democratic Senator Tom Carper is pushing the Senate Banking Committee to do its work in order for the surface transportation authorization legislation to be able to move. More on his perspective is [here](#) in this Transport Topics article.

RSVP for TFIC Annual Meeting

The TFIC annual meeting is next week! We will meet on Wednesday, November 13 at 9 am at Cafe Moxo in Springfield. [Here is an invitation](#) to the event. If you are planning to attend, please let Jennifer know. In addition to TFIC members, we invited legislators who were particularly involved in the transportation and capital program development and passage.

Special thanks to these organizations for sponsoring the meeting:

Illinois Road and Transportation Builders Association

Illinois State Council of Operating Engineers

Underground Contractors Association

Illinois Ready Mix Concrete Association

Lake County Transportation Alliance

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