



July 9, 2021

Kathleen Gargano,  
Village Manager  
The Village of Hinsdale  
19 East Chicago Avenue  
Hinsdale, IL 60521

Dear Ms. Gargano:

In response to recent inquiries from the Village of Hinsdale, we are writing to provide additional information regarding the Illinois Tollway's Central Tri-State (I-294) Project, which includes lengthening of the BNSF bridge over I-294 to accommodate widening of the underlying roadway. A portion of the BNSF project work is being performed within the Village of Hinsdale.

Areas in and around Hinsdale recently experienced extreme rainfall, and as a result, and as stated in your June 28, 2021 letter, on June 26, 2021, significant flooding occurred in the Village, including in the area around the intersection of County Line Road and East Walnut Street.

In response to the rain events, the Tollway promptly performed temporary intersection repair work to allow roadways that were temporarily closed to be re-opened, and the Tollway's General Contractor immediately inspected drainage paths and pumps to address obstructions and other issues. As a result of that inspection, a temporary ramp was removed in an effort to prevent possible obstructions during future rain events. Additionally, as the Tollway previously advised, it has and will continue to make additional repairs to curbs, sidewalks, landscaping and pavement, which work should be complete within ten days, weather permitting.

Like the Village, the Tollway is in the process of investigating issues relating to the flooding, and the Tollway and Village have and will continue to cooperate with each other in these efforts. Please know that as we continue to evaluate the circumstances of the flooding, we will continue to take action to assist the Village and homeowners, including:

- 24/7 monitoring of the work zone during rain events,
- televising the Village's stormwater management system,
- swiftly repairing infrastructure potentially impacted by the Tollway's BNSF project to avoid possible safety issues,
- facilitating continued communication between the Village, the Tollway and the Tollway's General Contractor, and
- addressing homeowner inquiries relating to damages claims.

Residents whose property has been adversely impacted by the Tollway's BNSF project may contact the Tollway at 630-246-2930 or [294tristate@getipass.com](mailto:294tristate@getipass.com) to request a claims form. As

indicated on the form, claims should be submitted to the Tollway's Risk Management Department, which will coordinate with the contractor responsible for addressing the claim. Residents will be notified of the status of their claims on an individual basis. The Tollway will assist in this process.

General questions about Tollway construction in the Village also may be directed to the Chloé Daniels at 630-246-2930 or [294tristate@getipass.com](mailto:294tristate@getipass.com).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Manar Nashif". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Manar Nashif  
Acting Chief Engineering Officer

cc: José Alvarez, Executive Director