

STRENGTHENING THE CORE

These projects will be financed by the state capital plan, signed Monday, July 13, 2009, by Gov. Pat Quinn. There will be additional grants to local governments for road work, and other infrastructure grants for local government, mass transit, parks, museums, schools and other institutions. The amounts are to be determined.

Road construction

Illinois 173 between Illinois 251 and Interstate 90	\$65.9 million	Work on rebuilding the 173/251 intersection could start in 12 to 18 months, although widening to two lanes in each direction won't start for two or three years.
I-90 from Rockton Road to the Wisconsin state line	\$52 million	Widening the road to three lanes in each direction is likely to start in two to 2½ years.
Illinois 2 (North Main Street) between Auburn Street and Riverside Boulevard, including a roundabout at Auburn	\$47.9 million	The roundabout is two or three years away, and the rest could take longer. All projects in the plan, though, are expected to be completed by 2014.
Illinois 2 between Latham and Elmwood roads	\$39.7 million	Building a four-lane expressway could start in 12 to 18 months.
Illinois 2 (South Main Street) between Pond and Cedar streets and between Belt Line Road and Harrison Avenue	\$28.9 million	Work on rebuilding the road and widening it in several places is likely to start in two to three years.