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PRAIRIE PARKWAY CORRIDOR PROTECTION COMMENT PERIOD EXTENDED

OTTAWA, IL --The Illinois Department of Transportation today announced it has extended the public comment period to February 10' 2002 to allow more time for additional citizen comment on the Prairie Parkway corridor protection proposal.

A public hearing was held on December 11' 2001 in Yorkville, Illinois. All comments received by February 10, 2002 will become public record and part of the hearing proceedings. "It is important for those persons commenting to understand that no specific alignment for a road has been proposed, nor have there been any detailed engineering studies. The corridor protection process is to ensure that a viable passageway for some future transportation facility is protected to prevent disruption and substantial cost to the taxpayers in the coming years," District Engineer James Jereb said.

Comments are to be submitted to Mr. James Jereb, District Engineer, Illinois Department of Transportation, 700 East Norris Drive, Ottawa, IL 61350.

Any questions relating to the proposed corridor protection or the public comment period extension can be directed to Mr. Tom Sancken of the IDOT, District 3 office at (815) 434-8423.

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