



Illinois Department of Transportation

Office of Highways Project Implementation / Bureau of Local Roads & Streets
2300 South Dirksen Parkway / Room 205 / Springfield, Illinois / 62764

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CIRCULAR LETTER 2023-19

ROAD DISTRICT BIDDING THRESHOLD – INCREASE TO \$30,000

COUNTY ENGINEERS / SUPERINTENDENTS OF HIGHWAYS
MUNICIPAL ENGINEERS / PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTORS / MAYORS
METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATIONS / TOWNSHIP HIGHWAY
COMMISSIONERS, CONSULTING ENGINEERS

On June 30, 2023, Governor Pritzker signed HB 1465, creating [Public Act 103-0125](#). This Public Act raised the threshold at which road districts are required to bid from \$20,000 to \$30,000, except for professional services. The Public Act is effective immediately, but please note that procurements prior to June 30, 2023, remain under the previous bidding threshold of \$20,000.

It is encouraged that letting to the lowest responsible bidder still occur when soliciting quotes so that the best value from multiple sources is obtained when making purchases for less than \$30,000.

The threshold bidding limits for municipalities and counties remain unchanged, and in summary are as follows per the Illinois Compiled Statutes:

- \$30,000 for Counties
- \$30,000 for Townships
- \$25,000 for Municipalities with populations less than 500,000
- \$10,000 for Municipalities with populations greater than 500,000

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "G. Tapas".

George A. Tapas, P.E., S.E.
Engineer of Local Roads and Streets

Attachment

cc: David Snyder, Federal Highways Administration
Shane Schneider, Illinois Association of County Engineers
Jerry Crabtree, Township Officials of Illinois
Arnie Vegter, Township Highway Commissioners of Illinois