

## PUBLIC NOTICE

The Illinois Department of Transportation is proposing the replacement and demolition of the bridge that carries the CSX Railroad over Illinois Route 1 located north of Milford in Iroquois County. The bridge was determined eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP). Whereas the project is funded in part by the Federal Highway Administration and pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 144(g), any state which proposes to demolish a NRHP eligible listed bridge and asking for federal participation in funding the project shall first make the bridge available for donation to the state, local or responsible entity.

Therefore, the Illinois Department of Transportation is offering the bridge carrying the CSX Railroad over Illinois Route 1 to any qualifying state, local or responsible entity, as soon as they agree to enter into an agreement to the following conditions:

1. Maintain the bridge and the features that give it its historic significance, and
2. Assume all future legal financial responsibility for the bridge, which may include an agreement to hold the Illinois Department of Transportation harmless in any liability action.

The Department may cover some cost associated with moving this bridge, **not to exceed** the cost of demolition of this bridge. All remaining cost shall be the responsibility of the entity requesting to move the structure.

Interested parties should send a letter, along with funding means, location of bridge placement, means of moving structure, and timetable to move. It should be noted that the bridge will be required to be moved with coordination of the CSX Railroad and IDOT.

Letters of interest should be sent to:

Illinois Department of Transportation  
District #3  
700 East Norris Drive  
Ottawa, IL 61350

Or contact Roger F. Rynke, Environmental Studies Unit Chief at 815-434-8569. Normal business hours are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Comments must be received by May 2<sup>nd</sup> of 2016 to be considered for transferal of bridge responsibility.