#### STATE OF ILLINOIS

# OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL

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Frank J. Mautino, Auditor General

### **SUMMARY REPORT DIGEST**

## **ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

Financial Audit For the Year Ended June 30, 2018

FINDINGS THIS AUDIT: 1				AGING SCHEDULE OF REPEATED FINDINGS			
	New	Repeat	<u>Total</u>	Repeated Since	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3
Category 1:	1	0	1				
Category 2:	0	0	0				
Category 3:	0	_0	0	No Repeat Findings			
TOTAL	1	0	1				
FINDINGS LAST AUDIT: 0							

#### **SYNOPSIS**

• (18-1) The Illinois Department of Transportation's internal controls over financial reporting were insufficient to prevent misstatements.

Category 1: Findings that are **material weaknesses** in internal control and/or a **qualification** on compliance with State laws and regulations (material noncompliance).

Category 2: Findings that are significant deficiencies in internal control and noncompliance with State laws and regulations.

Category 3: Findings that have no internal control issues but are in noncompliance with State laws and regulations.

{Financial data is summarized on next page.}

# DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FINANCIAL AUDIT

For the Year Ended June 30, 2018

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES - GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES (expressed in thousands)	Fi	scal Year 2018	Fi	scal Year 2017
Program Revenues				
Charges for Services	\$	56,665	\$	114,637
Operating Grants and Contributions		264,992		729,421
Capital Grants and Contributions		1,292,821		1,474,739
Total Revenues		1,614,478		2,318,797
Expenses				
Total Expenses		5,041,131		5,649,356
Net (Expenses) Revenues		(3,426,653)		(3,330,559)
Total General Revenues and Transfers		3,067,004		3,345,455
Change in Net Position		(359,649)		14,896
Net Position, July 1, as restated)		14,713,544		14,698,648
Net Position, June 30	\$	14,353,895	\$	14,713,544

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION - GOVERNMENTAL	Fiscal Year	Fiscal Year
ACTIVITIES (expressed in thousands)	2018	2017
Cash Equity with State Treasurer	\$ 185,587	\$ 147,995
Cash and Cash Equivalents	29,550	3,883
Receivables, Net	226,313	351,854
Inventories	73,975	65,237
Capital Assets, Net	19,265,159	16,183,915
Other Assets	1,585,874	4,953,684
Total	21,366,458	21,706,568
Deferred Outflows of Resources - Pension	587,975	870,836
Deferred Outflows of Resources - Other postemployment benefits	57,159	
Total Assets and Deferred Outflows of Resouces	21,954,433	22,577,404
Accounts Payable	403,168	498,713
Long Term Obligations	60,183	59,273
Net Pension Liability	3,320,122	3,468,253
Other postemployment benefits	2,256,985	-
Other Liabilities	986,190	1,119,185
Total	7,026,648	5,145,424
Deferred Inflows of Resources - Pension	303,358	259,951
Deferred Inflows of Resources - Other postemployment benefits	327,701	-
Total Liabilities and Deferred Inflows of Resouces	7,330,006	5,405,375
Net Position		
Net Investment in Capital Assets	19,258,822	19,385,607
Restricted for Transportation Programs	27,512	2,560
Restricted for Debt Service	6,050	7,547
Unrestricted	(4,938,499)	(4,682,170)
Total Net Position	\$ 14,353,885	\$ 14,713,544

## AGENCY SECRETARY

During Examination Period: Randall Blankenhorn (through 12/31/18)

Currently: Omer Osman (Acting, effective 2/25/19)

# FINDINGS, CONCLUSIONS, AND RECOMMENDATIONS

# INADEQUATE CONTROLS OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING

The Illinois Department of Transportation's (Department) internal controls over financial reporting were insufficient to prevent misstatements.

During our audit of the significant balances comprising the Department's financial statements, we noted the following errors and deficiencies related to financial statement classification and presentation:

• Implementation of Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 75, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other than Pensions

Beginning net position not restated to implement GASB Statement No. 75

In the first draft of the Department's financial statements received on October 15, 2018, the engagement team noted management did not appropriately implement GASB Statement No. 75. Specifically, the Department did not restate beginning net position in the government-wide financial statements.

Beginning net position overstated by \$2,458,485,000

The effect of this misstatement in the Department's government-wide financial statements resulted in an overstatement of the beginning of the year net position and current period transportation expenses totaling \$2,458,485,000. There was no impact on total net position as of June 30, 2018. The Department corrected this item in the financial statements and the restatement was reflected in subsequent drafts of the financial statements received.

 Classification of Fund Balances in the Governmental Funds Financial Statements

Deficit balance inappropriately grossed up

The Department inappropriately grossed-up a deficit balance in unassigned fund balance within the governmental fund financial statements for Fund 0433, the Federal High Speed Rail Transit Fund. During fiscal year 2018, Fund 0433 acquired inventory which was classified as a nonspendable portion of inventories in the governmental funds financial statements. Rather than reducing the available committed fund balance for Fund 0433, the Department reported a deficit fund balance for the amount of fund balance reported as a nonspendable portion of inventories. The Department's expenditures

did not exceed amounts committed to the purpose for Fund 0433.

Committed and unassigned fund balances misstated by \$20,865,000

The effect of this misstatement in the Department's governmental funds financial statements was an overstatement of committed fund balance, and a corresponding understatement of unassigned fund balance, totaling \$20,865,000 as of June 30, 2018. The Department corrected this item in the financial statements.

• Classification of Liabilities in the Government-wide and Governmental Funds Financial Statements

Amounts allocated to accounts payable instead of intergovernmental payables

The Department's underlying calculations used to estimate accounts payable at the end of the fiscal year inappropriately allocated amounts to accounts payable and accrued liabilities instead of intergovernmental payables for Fund 0553, *Transportation Bond Series A*.

Balances misstated by \$5,717,000

The effect of this misstatement in the Department's government-wide and governmental funds financial statements was an overstatement of accounts payable and accrued liabilities and an understatement of intergovernmental payables totaling \$5,717,000 as of June 30, 2018. The Department corrected this item in the financial statements. (Finding 1, pages 62-64)

We recommended the Department enhance and improve its controls over financial reporting to ensure amounts reported within the Department's annual financial statements are accurate and presented in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States.

**Department agrees with auditors** 

Department officials agreed with our finding and recommendation.

#### **AUDITOR'S OPINION**

The auditors stated the financial statements of the Department as of and for the year ended June 30, 2018 are fairly stated in all material respects.

This financial audit was performed by Clifton LarsonAllen LLP.

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JANE CLARK Division Director This report is transmitted in accordance with Section 3-14 of the Illinois State Auditing Act.

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FRANK J. MAUTINO Auditor General

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