



Nomination for 2026 ITS Project of the Year

in Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky & Ohio

Entries due before September 9, 2026

ITS Midwest Members,

It is time again for nominations for candidate programs for the ITS Midwest Project of the Year. We are requesting the following:

- Project Title
- Name of the Agency
- Brief Description – including links to additional project materials where applicable
- Contact information for a person who has knowledge of the project details. (May or may not be the nominator)

The Nominations Committee may then get in touch with the contact person and conduct a telephone interview, so we can develop an excellent project description. This will make it easier for the nominator and will produce consistent project description formats for the Newsletter and Awards Ceremony.

The Rules!

You may nominate a project, providing:

✓ **You are an ITS Midwest member.**

It is okay for a member to nominate his or her own organization/project.

✓ **The Project must have a significant ITS scope.**

For example, the project can include ITS related research, construction, deployment, or integration work.

✓ **The Project is not a commercial product.**

New products can be used in the project, but the primary scope must be about the process, not the products. For example, a new detector may have been used, but the project was related to Smart Work Zones.

✓ **A number of related projects can be rolled up into one nomination.**

An agency may be modifying their ITS infrastructure in a mass deployment. For example, a new scheme for integrating existing or new field devices may occur over multiple construction contracts. This could be one "project" for nominating purposes.

✓ **The Project took place in one of the four States of the ITS Midwest Chapter.**

The geographic limits of a nominated project must have been primarily within Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, or Ohio (or any combination of the four member states).

✓ **The Project is completed or has produced significant results during the time between the last and current Annual Conference.**

To be eligible for nomination for "Project of the Year 2026", the project should have reached completion or have produced significant results by Fall 2026 with much of the work in 2025/2026.

Awards will be determined based upon project merit and significance and could result in multiple awards if many quality nominations are received. Nominations must be submitted to the ITS Midwest Recognition Committee no later than **September 9, 2026**. Nominations may be submitted to Tom Szabo, Nominations and Awards Committee Chair at Thomas.Szabo@oneatlas.com. The winner will be presented with a plaque honoring the achievement at the 2026 ITS Midwest Conference & Expo. A synopsis of all nominated projects will be presented at the conference and featured in an upcoming ITS Midwest online article.



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Project information and contact

Project Title: _____

Agency who produced the Project: _____

Address: _____

Contact Person Name, Title: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Brief description of project (Please keep short, not longer than one or two lines; include links to additional project materials where applicable)

Nominator Contact Info

Same as Project contact listed above: ☐ Yes ☐ No (please add nominator contact info below)

Nominator name and title: _____

Organization: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____