



Richard M. Daley, Mayor



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CDA Web Alert

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Over 70 Attendees at Residential Sound Insulation Program Contractor Open House Near Midway Airport

The Chicago Department of Aviation (CDA) sponsored an open house today for construction contractors interested in the City's Residential Sound Insulation Program (RSIP) work near Midway International Airport.

CDA Managing Deputy Commissioner Chris Arman welcomed the group and encouraged networking among presenters, exhibitors and attendees. The CDA construction management staff presented information about the Department of Aviation, the RSIP, scope of work and construction practices, as well as upcoming RSIP bid packages worth approximately \$40 to \$60 million.

The City's Department of Procurement Services (DPS) provided information about the City's competitive bid process as well payment and compliance processes.

The contractor open house closed with a question and answer session and networking session for prime contractors, subcontractors and material suppliers.

Since the program began in 1995 under the leadership of Mayor Richard M. Daley, the City has sound-insulated 12,700 homes in the neighborhoods and communities surrounding O'Hare and Midway International Airports in order to reduce the impact of aircraft noise and increase homeowners' quality of life.

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The Chicago Department of Aviation (CDA) is self-supporting, using no local or state tax dollars for operations or capital improvements at O'Hare and Midway International airports. Together, Chicago's airports generate more than \$45 billion in annual economic activity and create 540,000 jobs for the region. Please visit www.flychicago.com to learn more about the Chicago Department of Aviation.

The CDA continues to incorporate and expand sustainable initiatives for airport planning, operations and maintenance, concessions and tenants in accordance with the CDA Sustainable Airport Manual (SAM),

released in August 2009. To view case studies, lessons learned and new technologies, and for more information on the SAM, please visit www.airportgoinggreen.org.

The O'Hare Modernization Program (OMP), introduced by Mayor Richard M. Daley in June 2001, transforms O'Hare's airfield from an outdated system of intersecting runways into a modern parallel runway configuration. The program will reduce overall delays at the Airport by 79 percent, and bad weather delays by 95 percent. It will create 195,000 new jobs and \$18 billion in additional economic activity each year. Please visit www.oharemodernization.org to learn more about the OMP.

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