



Richard M. Daley, Mayor



Rosemarie S. Andolino, Commissioner

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Commissioner Rosemarie S. Andolino and Transportation Secretary Ray LaHood receive 2010 Heartland Sustainability Award

Chicago Department of Aviation (CDA) Commissioner Rosemarie S. Andolino and U.S. Department of Transportation Secretary Ray LaHood were both honored as recipients of the 2010 Heartland Sustainability Award this morning at the Innovations Conference on Asphalt and Transportation (ICAT) in Peoria, Illinois.

The ICAT Heartland Sustainability Award honors exceptional individuals for extraordinary leadership and original work in developing, employing, and supporting the principles of sustainability. The award winners are recognized for creating mechanisms to embrace green practices and instilling a culture of sustainable development within an organization and/or community.

Past Heartland Sustainability Award Recipient and Caterpillar CEO Elect and Vice-Chairman Doug Oberhelmann and Illinois State Senator Dale Risinger (R) 37th District presented the prestigious awards to Commissioner Andolino and Secretary LaHood during the conference welcome session.

Illinois State Senator Dave Koehler (D) 46th District, City of Peoria Mayor James Ardis, City of East Peoria Mayor Dave Mingus, Bradley University President Joanne Glasser, and Bradley University Department of Civil Engineering & Construction Chair Dr. Amir Al-Khafaji were among the distinguished guests who were also present at the awards ceremony.

A record-breaking 400 attendees registered for this year's ICAT. The two-day conference, hosted by Bradley University, is one of the most important transportation-related events in the nation.

For more information on the ICAT please visit <http://icat.bradley.edu/>

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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.airportsgoinggreen.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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