The Chicago Department of Aviation (CDA) is implementing a nearly $400 million capital improvement program over the next three years at Midway International Airport that will significantly upgrade the travel experience for years to come. The Midway Modernization Program (MMP) is bringing new and expanded concessions, a larger security checkpoint area, and an expanded terminal parking garage.

The CDA is overseeing a phased approach to construction on MMP projects to minimize traffic impacts to the surrounding community and to maintain seamless operations at Midway to keep employees and travelers moving through the airport.

Security Checkpoint Expansion

Several TSA lanes have shifted within the existing checkpoint area to allow work to begin on the widening of the checkpoint.
- This checkpoint configuration will remain until late Spring 2019.

Later in October, new barrier walls will be erected along the east side of the checkpoint area so the east facade can be demolished. This work will connect the new security pavilion to the existing terminal building.

Cicero Avenue lane closures move to the southbound side by the end of the month and traffic flow will move to the north side (current work area). Two lanes remain open in each direction.

Sidewalks along west side of Cicero Avenue remain closed through Summer 2019.

Work is completed on the north portion of the arrivals lanes on the lower level roadway.

Work continues over the arrivals lanes in the south portion of the roadway system with intermittent lane closures.
- Nightly closures will continue on both portions of the roadway system for the duration of construction.

In November, steel and bridge erection will begin and there will be a concrete pour over the south arrivals/departures area. This work will require lane closures in several areas of the roadway system.

Terminal Parking Garage Expansion

Several changes now in place around CTA Orange Line Station for duration of construction, including:
- Kilpatrick Avenue closed from 59th Street to station - only buses allowed.
- Station access available at temporary Kiss & Ride lot entrance off of 59th Street.
- East lane of Kilpatrick Avenue (access road) behind terminal garage remains closed through October.
- Employee shuttle buses will continue to operate from existing locations.

New pedestrian walkway between the CTA Orange Line station and the terminal building will be built in late October/early November and pedestrians will be rerouted to the terminal at ground level.

Passengers and employees should continue to use the pedestrian bridge (accessed from Level 3 of the parking garage) to get to the CTA Orange Line station until the ground-level walkway opens.
- The existing pedestrian bridge will be closed and demolished in November. A new pedestrian bridge is being constructed with this project.

Work has started on the new exit ramp from southbound Cicero Avenue to the parking garage. Minimal impacts expected.

Replacement work on lighting and heating systems in south helix (circular ramp) is underway and continues through the end of the year. Traffic may slow when passing work area but no closures expected.

We recognize the disruption construction can cause and thank you for your patience as we make much needed improvements. We hope you will join in our excitement as we watch a Modern Midway rise up around us!

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Get project updates and any traffic changes at WWW.MDWMOD.COM and through CDA’s social sites and travel advisories.

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The Concessions Redevelopment Program reflects Chicago’s diversity and showcases the best of local and national brands, healthy new options, and expanded retail through a $75 million private partnership investment. Construction is phased to achieve more than 70 offerings by 2020. Concessions jobs will also double from 700 to 1,400.

Concessions Redevelopment Program

Two new options coming to Midway are now under construction:

- Big Shoulder’s Coffee (near Gate A14)
  First stand-alone location for popular, local brand
- Fuel Bar (Gates A4A/A4B)
  New concept in convenience fare for travelers

Planning and development continues on additional offerings that will be under construction before the end of the year.
- Options include new concepts to the airport, with a mix of both nationally recognized and local favorites.

Demolition of moving walkway adjacent to Gates B7/B9 will happen later this Fall to open restaurant space for Hubbard Inn.

Construction Starting Before End of Year

- Einstein Bagels (Gate A7)
  Nationally recognized brand being introduced at Midway
- DeColores (Gate A7)
  Permanent location added to Concourse A
- Hudson (Gate A5)
  New location for Hudson’s flagship convenience store on Concourse A
- F.A.O. Schwarz (Gate A5)
  One of the oldest and most iconic toy brands in the world
- Ink (Gate B17)
  Specialty retailer featuring curated collection of bestsellers, small press titles, classics, and more, plus toys, stationery, and travel essentials

Progress on the new Checkpoint