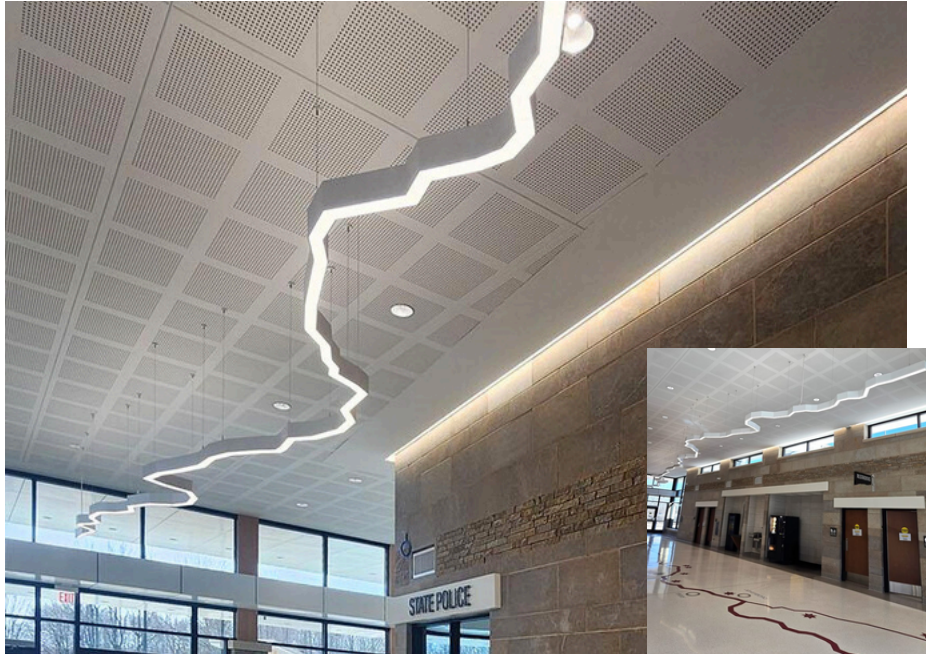


CASE STUDY



Trail of Tears I-57 Rest Area

Anna, IL



PROJECT OVERVIEW



Challenge

The Illinois Department of Transportation prepared to rebuild two rest areas serving northbound and southbound Interstate 57 in Illinois. To bring this vision to life, Baysinger Architects was selected to design facilities that provide comfort for travelers while honoring the site's historical significance.

The rest areas are located along the Trail of Tears National Historic Trail, a commemorative network of sites marking the removal of approximately 60,000 Native Americans. The design team carefully shaped the architecture to reflect the cultural weight and historical importance of the site, creating spaces that invite reflection as well as rest.



Solution

The completed project includes two 6,000-square-foot facilities featuring restrooms, a security office, building services storage, and an interpretive center. Within the corridors, visitors experience the Trail of Tears mapped through integrated LED lighting, with the trail pattern repeated across the flooring below to visually guide guests through history.

To achieve this striking effect, Advantage custom-designed two 75-foot LED fixtures using AEL's XDL24 series as the foundation. Finished in a clean matte white powder coating and equipped with 0-10V dimming and 4000K CCT, the luminaires deliver both powerful visual impact and reliable performance.



QUICK FACTS

Direct/Indirect Illumination



Direct & indirect illumination allows visitors to safely navigate, while creating a welcoming space free from shadows and glares.

Quality



We begin with premium aluminum, precision crafting, and finish with the finest powder coating for long-lasting beauty and dependable illumination.

Custom Solutions



From design to execution, each bend and curve in the luminaire was deliberate. Beautiful visual storytelling told to visitors in a bright new way.

PRODUCT FEATURED



XDL24DID Direct/Indirect Linear



Custom Colors Available

150+ Feet Installed on this project

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