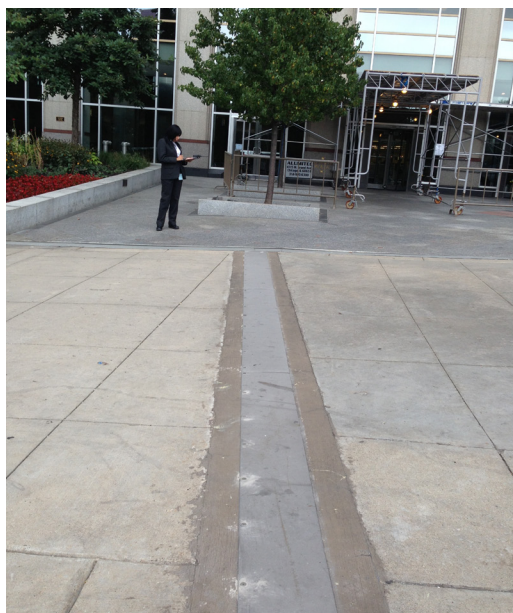


# MILLENNIUM PARK

CHICAGO, IL

*Expansion Joint Covers Installed Between Millennium Park and Chicago Park District*



## THE SITUATION

The Chicago Park District is one of the largest public park managers in the nation. They have infinite enjoyable activities; from canoeing to batting cages to arts and crafts, the Chicago Park District will not disappoint. One of the most important and expensive projects for the City of Chicago, is Millennium Park. This public park is located in the loop community area of Chicago. One of the most famous pieces is The Bean, which attracts hundreds of tourists for photo ops. Millennium Park is also host to a variety of key social events such as, Grant Park Music Festival and has made its debut in many Hollywood films and television shows.

Due to the climate variations of Chicago, the walkway along Columbus Drive had developed gaps within the concrete. Various attractions are walking distance from the walkway, leading to heavy foot traffic and wear. Gaps may cause a tripping hazard for the city's pedestrians. A well known bridge construction company needed to find a suitable thermal expansion joint cover that was durable, corrosion resistant and slip resistant.

## THE SOLUTION

The owner contacted *SlipNOT*® Metal Safety Flooring to inquire about non slip expansion joint covers. *SlipNOT*® provided custom cut 3/16" x 12" x 96" Grade 2 304 stainless steel expansion joint covers that had 7/16" countersunk holes and were beveled, for a smoother transition to the concrete. The installed expansion joint covers were versatile and removable for easy access.

## THE IMPACT

The construction company as well as the City of Chicago, were highly satisfied with the expansion joint covers. The high traffic area is now safely utilized reducing the amount of slips, trips and falls. The construction company enjoyed their experience with *SlipNOT*® and plan to order additional expansion joints in the future.