

## **Chriss Pogorelc** *Chief Information Officer*

Chriss leads the Commission's Technology Department, which is responsible for implementing and managing efficient, sustainable and reliable Information Technology solutions to meet the present and future operational needs of the Ohio Turnpike.

Chriss joined the Commission in 2001 as a Programmer and administrated the Commission's Toll Collection System. He aided in the evolution of the first generation of Automated Toll Payment Machines (ATPM) and was a key part of the team that brought *E-ZPass* to the Turnpike in 2009.



In 2012, Chriss was promoted to Technology Manager and subsequently led efforts to virtualize the Commission's Data Centers, upgrade the Ethernet Network and was pivotal in upgrading and implementing several of the key data systems. He also led efforts to leverage Department of Administrative Services (DAS) Office of Information Technology (OIT) Shared Services, which included the Voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP) Phone System, the Office 365 platform, and the Commission's participation in the Multi-Agency Radio Communication System (MARCS). Most recently, Chriss was instrumental in bringing Public Wi-Fi to the Commission's 14 Service Plazas.

Chriss serves as a member of the State of Ohio's Infrastructure and Environment Line of Business and has been a member of the State of Ohio's O365 Governance Committee since its inception in 2016.

Chriss is a graduate of Mount Union College where he earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Computer Science.

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