



CREATE
CHICAGO REGIONAL EXPRESS TRAINS

CREATE Program Update

Chicago Metropolitan Agency For Planning
Mayor's Council Meeting
 November 18, 2014

Chicago Terminal Operation and Railroad

Daily Activity:

- 1,300 trains (500 freight, 800 passenger)
- 37,500 rail cars in route to Chicago every day
- 20,000 truck moves through intermodal gates

Chicago Rail Infrastructure:

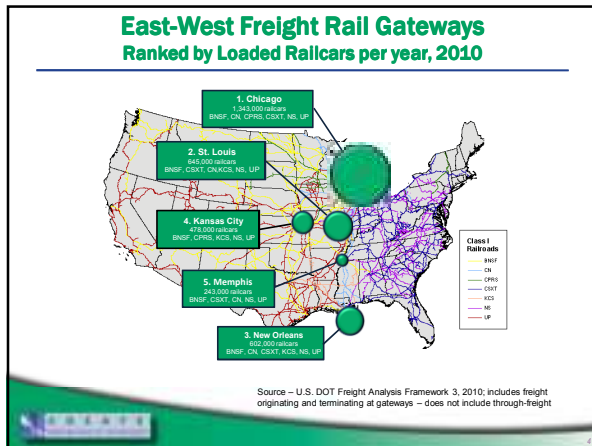
- 16,000 acres
- 78 yards, including 19 intermodal (rail-truck)
- 2,800 route-miles of track
- 12 commuter rail routes
- 1,100 viaducts and bridges

Top Global Container Ports, 2010



Port	Volume (TEU)
Shanghai, China	28,077
Singapore	26,437
Hong Kong, China	23,717
Shenzhen, China	22,517
Rotterdam, The Netherlands	14,119
Qingdao, China	13,114
Los Angeles/Long Beach, CA	12,851
Guangzhou, China	12,761
Dalian, China	12,551
Dubai, United Arab Emirates	12,011
New York/New Jersey (NY/NJ)	11,611
Seoul, South Korea	5,291
Yokohama, Japan	2,881
Los Angeles (LAX)	2,511

Source: Chicago - Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning Freight Snapshot; World Shipping Council for other data.



CREATE Program - 70 Projects

- 25 road/rail grade separations
- 6 passenger/freight rail grade separations
- Railroad projects to improve rail infrastructure and upgrade technologies
- Viaduct improvement program
- Grade crossing safety enhancements
- Rail operations and visibility improvements



CREATE Funding Received

Federal

- \$110.4 million - TIGER I & TIGER IV Grants
- \$100 million - SAFETEA-LU PNRS Grant
- \$126.5 million - ARRA High Speed Rail Grant
- \$1.9 million - Railroad Relocation Grant

State


- \$410 million - Illinois DOT (Illinois Jobs Now!, PNRS/TIGER match, grade separations)

Local


- \$10.1 million - Chicago DOT (viaduct improvements, grade separations, land acquisition)


Other

- \$234 million - Railroad partners (railroad infrastructure, grade separations)
- \$236.6 million - Pre-CREATE funding (various sources)




Project Status

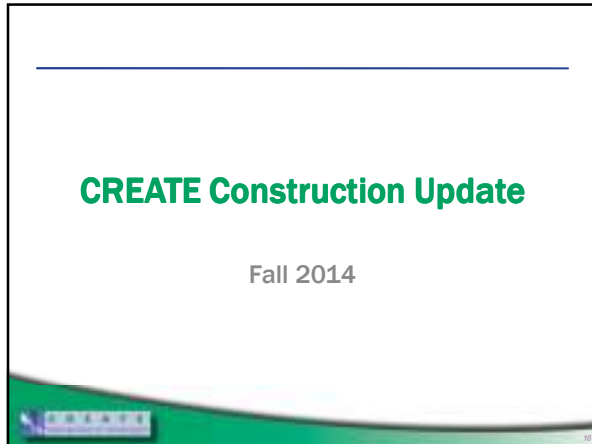
Completed Projects	22	
Under Construction	9	
Final Design	5	
Environmental Review	14	
Remaining Projects	20	
TOTAL	70	



Program Summary

CREATE Program, Overall Project Status Summary
(Based on FY14)











GS14
71st Street/CSX-IHB Grade Separation
Bridgeview

\$32M (\$25M TIGER)
Complete: Nov 2013



GS14 - 71st Street Grade Separation



Before **After**














GS15a
130th St/Torrence Ave/NS
Grade Separation, Chicago

\$175M
Under Construction



















GS16
Irving Park Rd/York Road/CP
Grade Separation, Chicago/Bensenville

\$69M
Under Construction










GS25
Roosevelt Rd/Kautz Rd/UP
Grade Separation, West Chicago

\$33M
Under Construction



GS25 IL-38 (Roosevelt Road) & Kautz Road



Before **In progress**














P1
Englewood Flyover – Metra/NS
63rd and State, Chicago

\$140M
Under Construction





Plan View



Profile View (flyover section is 2150' long)

P1 – Englewood Flyover



Before (October 2011) **During (July 2014)**

































WA2
CSX Blue Island Subdivision
Capacity Expansion, Chicago

\$31M
Under Construction





B2
UP Third Mainline Track and Flyover at Proviso Yard, Bellwood, Berkeley & Maywood
\$83M
Complete: September 2013



B2 - UP Third Mainline and Flyover at Proviso Yard



Before (Spring 2012) **During (Fall 2012)**



B2 - Pedestrian Tunnel at Bellwood Station



During (Fall 2012)



After (Fall 2013)

B2 - UP Mainline Connection to IHB



During (Winter 2013)



After (Summer 2013)

B2 - UP Third Mainline & Proviso Yard, Melrose Park



B2 - UP Third Mainline & Proviso Yard, Melrose Park

Before Improvement










B16
CSX Thornton Junction, South Holland


\$8M
Complete: June 2014





B16 – Thornton Junction




Before **After**



B16 – Track Construction - Looking North



Before **After**








WA4
**BNSF – Connecting tracks between
Chicago Sub & Chillicothe Sub, Chicago**

\$48M
Under Construction















Next Steps

- Advocate for freight funding in Federal Transportation Authorization
- Complete remaining Rail Corridor Projects
- Complete remaining Passenger-Freight Rail Flyover Projects
- Complete remaining Grade Separation Projects
- Continue cooperation and integration with Midwest High Speed Rail initiatives



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