

Improving Rail Safety Across Our Region

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Our region's transportation infrastructure

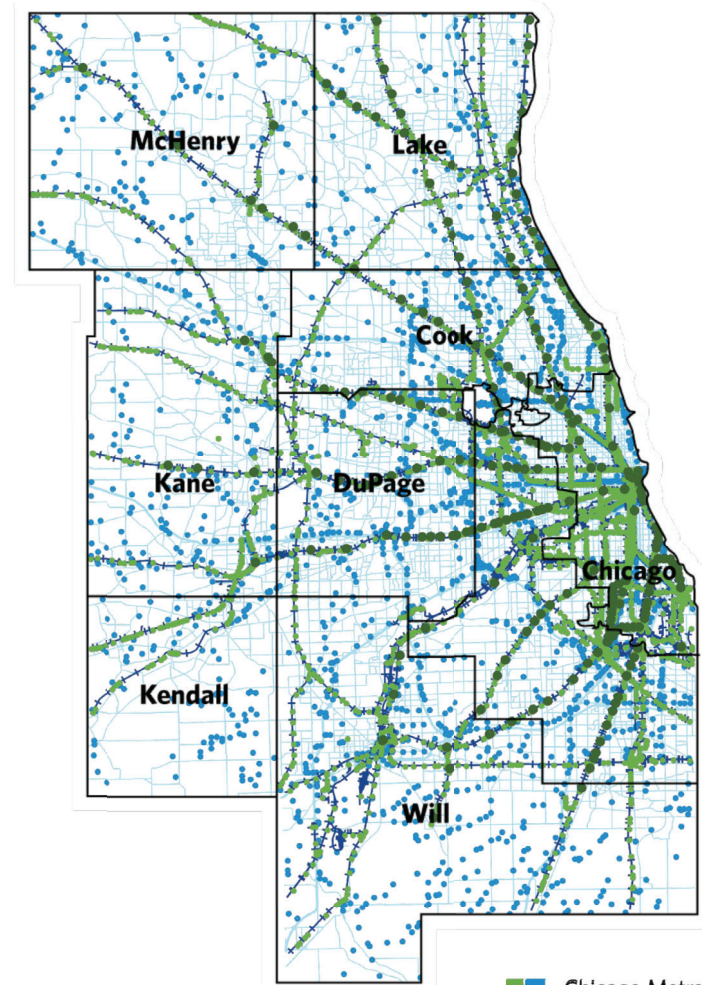
29,989 miles of federal roads

3,650 bridges

7,200 miles of rail lines

1,646 rail crossings

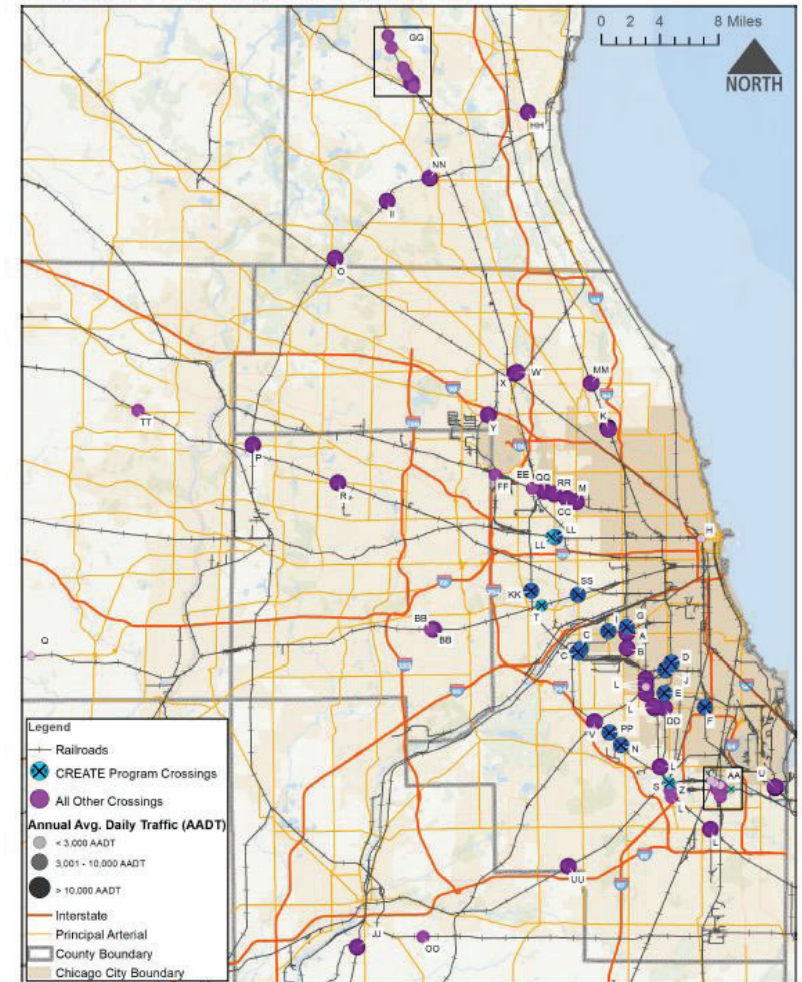
242 Metra stations



Prioritizing improvement projects

- Identified 47 priorities for grade separations or crossing improvements
- DuPage County:
 - Bartlett: Stearns Road
 - Bloomingdale: Army Trail Road
 - Downers Grove: Maple Avenue and Fairview Avenue

Northeastern Illinois Priority Grade Crossings - 2019



Map data sources: Illinois Department of Transportation, Illinois Commerce Commission, CREATE Program, and Federal Railroad Administration.

Technical assistance



- Laraway Road at Union Pacific Railroad Crossing
- Berwyn-Riverside Railroad Grade Crossing Study



Safe Streets and Roads for All grant application

Developed coordinated application
with county partners

Proposed Safe Travel for
All Roadmap (STAR) program

Application elements:

Develop safety action plans for our counties

- Help counties meet requirements for future implementation funding
- Regional framework but unique to each county

Seeking close to \$5M



Partners for communities

- Railroad companies
- Local police departments and mental health agencies
- The Illinois Commerce Commission
- Counties and agencies
- Civil engineering firms
- CMAP



Funding opportunities

Federal discretionary

- Railroad Crossing Elimination Grant Program
- Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements (CRISI) Program

• IDOT

- Illinois Competitive Freight Program
- Railway-Highway Crossings (Section 130) Program

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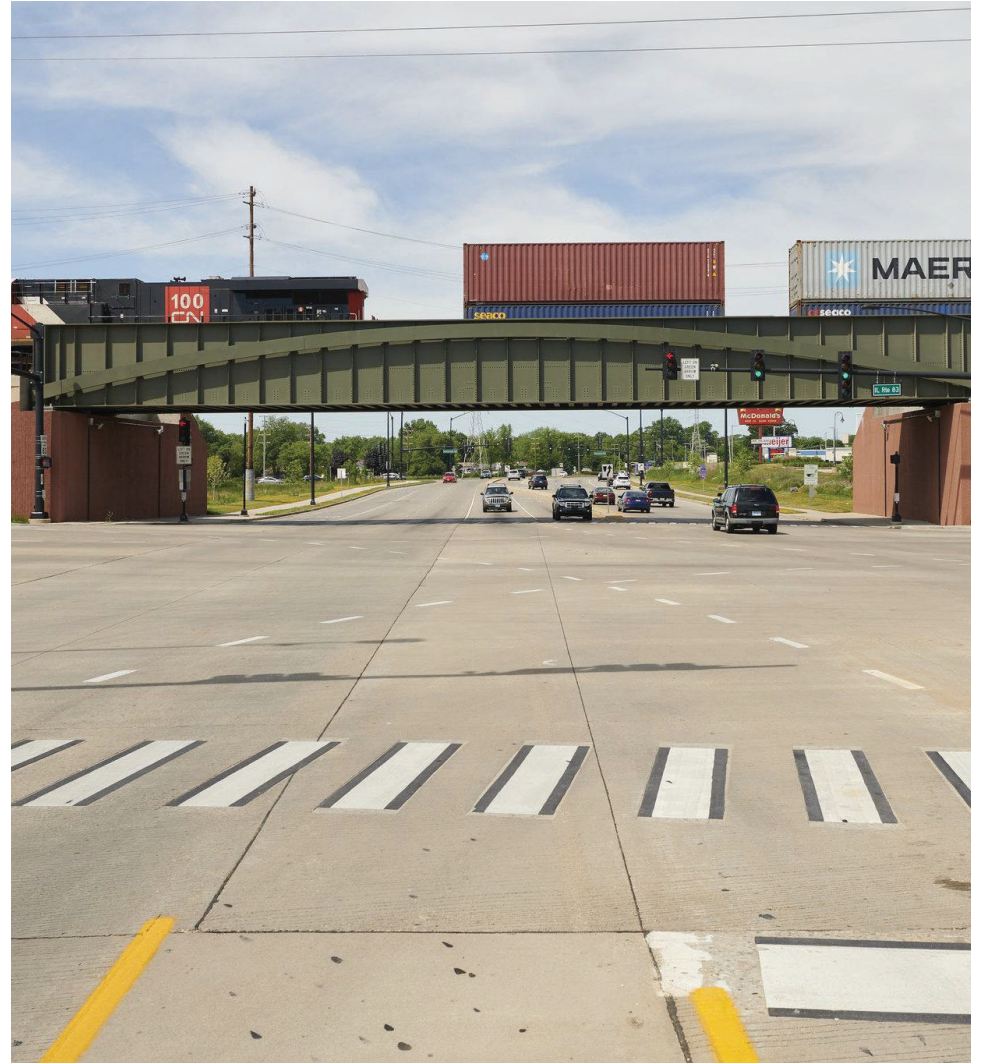
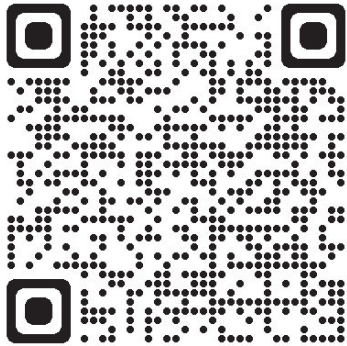
- Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program (expected January)
- Shared Fund (expected January)

Illinois Commerce Commission

- Grade Crossing Improvement Program

Resources

www.cmap.illinois.gov/mobility/freight/community-railroad-resources





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