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**ILLINOIS
HIGH-SPEED
RAIL**

CHICAGO TO ST. LOUIS

Building the Illinois High-Speed Rail

2016 Construction Updates

History: Chicago-St. Louis Corridor

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Since 1980's

IDOT has been looking at this corridor for high-speed service

1992

Designated a
HSR Corridor

EIS

Completed

Record of Decision
received in 2004

Ridership continues to grow

**Chicago
to St. Louis
Corridor**
with
9 stops in
between



**Current
Improvements**
Between Joliet &
East St. Louis

13 Counties

Cook, DuPage, Will, Grundy, Livingston,
McLean, Logan, Sangamon, Macoupin, Jersey,
Madison, St. Clair, and St. Louis

HSR Program Schedule

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2010-2012

- Track reconstruction and upgrades

2012

- Procurement process for new high-speed rail cars
- Operation of trains up to 110 mph between Dwight and Pontiac

2013

- Procurement process for new high-speed rail locomotives

2015-2017

- Infrastructure in place to operate at speeds up to 110 mph
- Springfield Third St. improvements
- Delivery of the new cars and new locomotives

Program Partners

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Program Partners

- Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT)
- Federal Railroad Administration (FRA)
- Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR)
- Amtrak
- Illinois Commerce Commission (ICC)
- Others

Support

- Parsons Brinckerhoff - Program Manager
- IDOT Consultants (PTB Advertisements)
- UPRR Contractors/Consultants

What Are We Building?

110 mph speed upgrades

262 miles of main track

Realignment of curves

New second tracks/sidings

Grade crossings & fencing

Train control signals

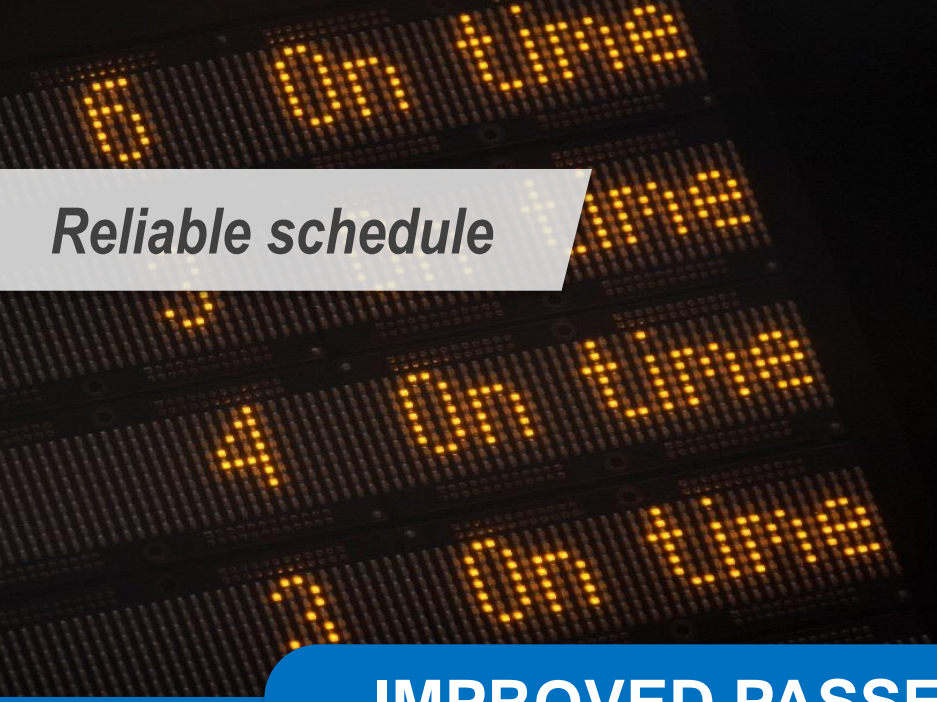
Turnouts, culverts, and drainage

Repair and replace bridges

8 new/renovated stations

6 new high-speed train sets





Reliable schedule



Passenger amenities

IMPROVED PASSENGER EXPERIENCE



Reduced travel time



New & upgraded stations

Warning signs & signals



IMPROVED SAFETY

Upgraded crossings



Fencing

Program Activities



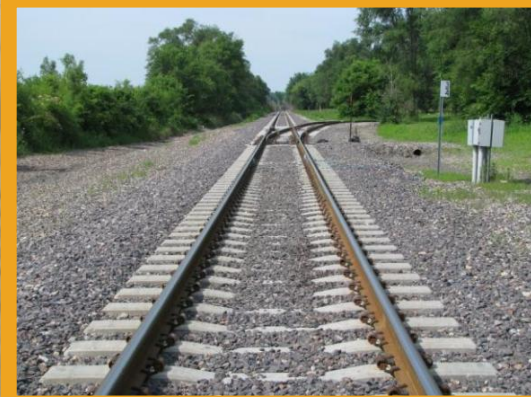
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Mainline Track Rehabilitation

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Before & After



Grade Crossing Improvements

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- » **Crossing Improvements**
 - New signal systems – Positive Train Control (PTC)
 - New signage and pavement markings
 - ADA accessibility directive signage
 - Roadway improvements
 - Pedestrian crossings
- » **62 of 252 crossings completed**

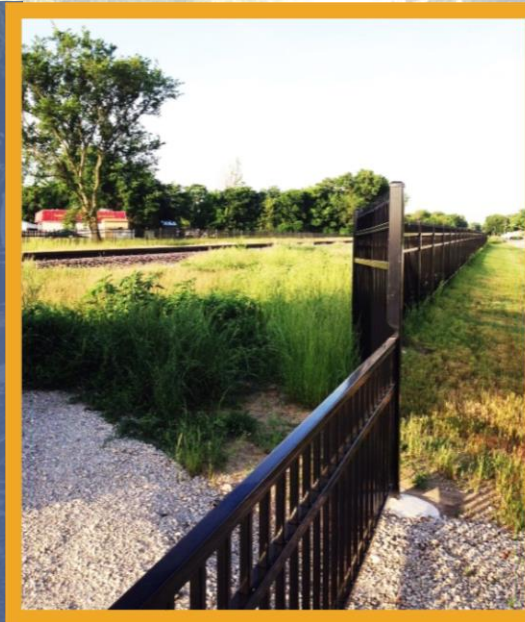


Fencing is being installed along the railroad corridor

- Both sides of the railroad corridor
- Coordinated with the local communities

» Fencing typically will be placed within one-foot of the Union Pacific Railroad right-of-way:

- *In urban areas*
- *In select rural areas*



Station Improvements

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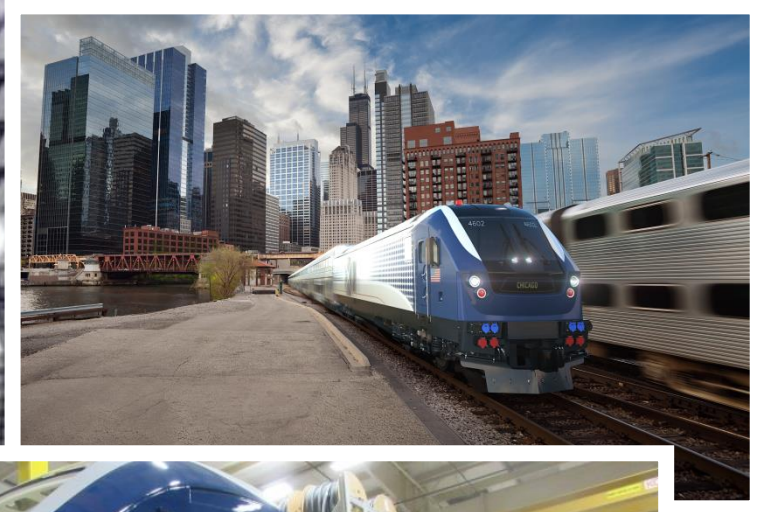


- » New or renovated *facilities*
- » Increased passenger *safety, comfort and convenience*
- » *Lighting, site and parking* improvements
- » New ADA compliant *boarding platforms*

Equipment Procurement

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**New high
horsepower
diesel
locomotives**



Get Involved

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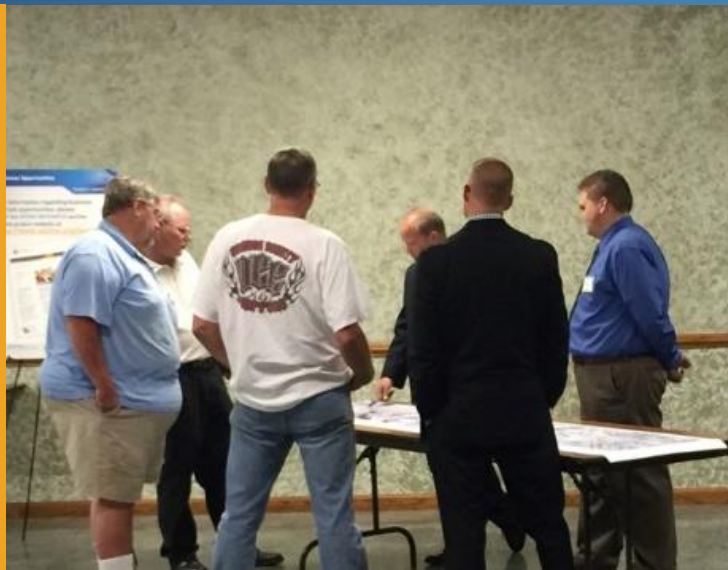
Held Over 230 Events

Public Meetings/Hearings

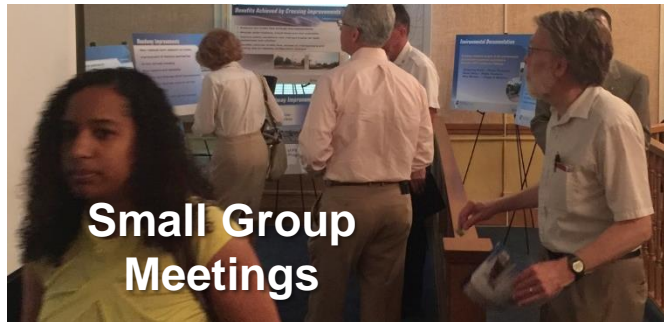
• Small Group Meetings

• Festivals/Community Events

• Schools



Media Outreach



Small Group Meetings



Program Website
www.idothsr.org

Social Media



Program Hotline
1-855-IDOT-HSR

Business Opportunities

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» Visit www.idothsr.org

- Doing Business section
- Current business opportunities
- Learn about the bidding process



The screenshot shows the 'Doing Business' section of the Illinois High-Speed Rail website. The header includes the HSR logo, navigation links (Home, About the Project, Construction/Stations, Land Acquisition, Doing Business, Environmental Documentation, Stay Informed, Info Center, Media Center), and social media icons. The 'Doing Business' section features a 'Bidding Process' link, a list of business opportunities (High-Speed Rail (HSR) Current Business Opportunities, Illinois Department of Transportation, Work 4 Illinois, Union Pacific, Amtrak), and contact information for the Illinois Department of Transportation Office of Intermodal Project Implementation. A 'Bidding Process' section provides details on the bidding process, including prequalification requirements and the DBE program. A list of current business opportunities is also provided.

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Doing Business

Bidding Process

High-Speed Rail (HSR) Current Business Opportunities

Illinois Department of Transportation

Work 4 Illinois

Union Pacific

Amtrak

If there are questions regarding construction opportunities or the process please contact:

1-855 IDOT HSR (436-8477)

Illinois Department of Transportation
Office of Intermodal Project Implementation
James R. Thompson Center
100 West Randolph Street, Suite 6-600
Chicago, Illinois 60601-3229

If there are questions regarding other IDOT opportunities for minority-owned, women-owned and other disadvantaged small businesses in IDOT's federal and state funded highway, transit, and airport contracts, please contact:

Illinois Department of Transportation
DBE Working Capital Revolving Loan Program
(217) 782-5490

Bidding Process

Thank you for your interest in business opportunities with the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) and the Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR). The bidding process for both organizations will require prequalification. Please follow the guidelines outlined for [IDOT](#) and [UPRR](#). Please note the UPRR will require contractors to be prequalified for each High-Speed Rail (HSR) opportunity.

Additionally, minority-owned and women-owned companies are required to receive certification through IDOT for the [Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Certification \(DBE\)](#) program. IDOT fosters equal opportunity for minority-owned, women-owned and other DBEs in IDOT's federal and state-funded contracts.

Current Business Opportunities Process:

1. Prime contractors have 30 days to become prequalified for each business opportunity ([see Prequalification Notices](#)).
2. After the 30 day period, a list of prequalified prime contractors information will become available on the [HSR Current Business Opportunities](#) page of this website.
3. Once the prime contractors' information is available, the sub-consultants/DBEs have the opportunity to market their services and to contact the prequalified prime contractors for inclusion in a particular bidding opportunity.

- » Improvement of **roadway approaches** to the railroad crossing
- » New **medians and sidewalks**
- » **Culverts and drainage** ditch improvements
- » Installation of **sidings and double track**
- » Installation of **fencing** within right-of-way
- » **Station** site preparation and construction

**Please visit with
team members
for details about
upcoming construction
in your area.**





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Thank you!