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CHICAGO TO ST. LOUIS







Illinois High-Speed Rail Program





Chicago-St. Louis Corridor



- » IDOT has actively developed the corridor since the mid1980's
- Federally designated a High-Speed Rail corridor in 1992
- Previously completed Environmental Studies



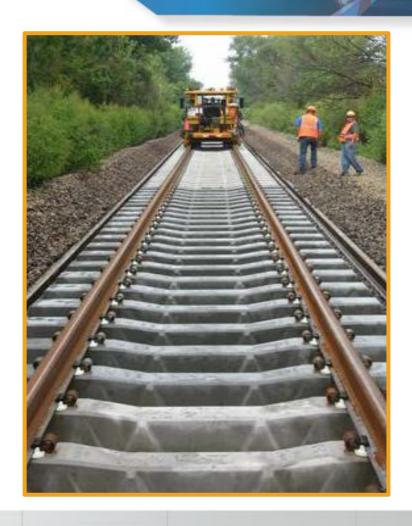




Illinois High-Speed Rail Program Components

- » Upgrades for passenger speeds up to 110 mph
- Design and construction of 243 miles of main track including concrete ties, welded rail, etc between East St. Louis and Joliet
- » Realignment of curves
- » New second tracks and sidings
- » Grade crossing warning devices
- » Construction of grade crossings
- » Train control signaling
- Turnouts, culverts, bridges, fencing, etc.
- » Purchase of six new high-speed train sets
- » Eight (8) new/renovated stations









High-Speed Rail Program Benefits

- » Reduction in travel time by about an hour
- » Enhanced reliability
- » New passenger cars and locomotives
- » New/rehabilitated stations
- » Safety improvements
- Lower air emissions as compared to other modes of transportation





Higher Speed Service

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» Public Operation of Higher-Speed Service between Dwight and Pontiac

Began November 22, 2012

Three northbound
(300, 302, and 304) and
three southbound
(301, 305, and 307) trains







High-Speed Rail Program Schedule

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2010-2012 2012 2013 2015 2015 2015-2017

- Track reconstruction and upgrades
- Procurement process for new high-speed rail cars
- Procurement process for new high-speed rail locomotives

 Operation of trains up to 110 mph between Dwight and Pontiac

- Significant infrastructure improvements in place to support speeds of up to 110 mph on the Joliet-Carlinville portion of the corridor
- Initial reductions in travel time
- Infrastructure improvements complete with increased speeds over entire Joliet-East St. Louis segment
- Travel time reduced by about an hour
- Springfield Third St. improvements
- Delivery of the new cars and new locomotives





Springfield Rail Projects

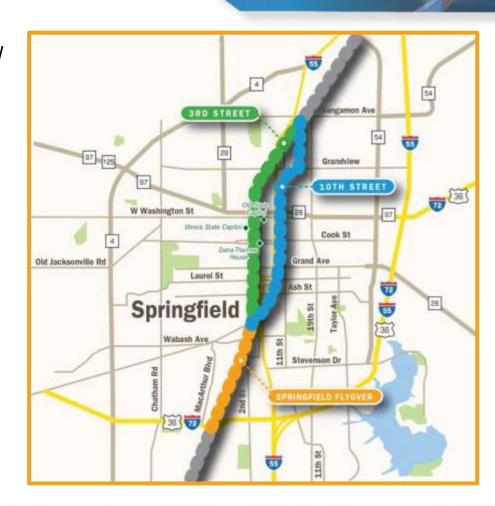
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» 3rd Street Improvements

- Funded by 2010 American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) grant
- Part of current program to upgrade corridor to safely operate passenger trains at speeds up to 110 mph

» Springfield Flyover

- Tier 2 study currently underway
- National Street –
 Rail Consolidation Plan
 - Work will be conducted in phases
 - Carpenter Street 1st Project



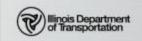






Third Street Improvement Concepts





Third Street Corridor Components

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Improvements will include:

- » New grade crossings and safety devices;
- » Pedestrian safety devices
- » Fencing;
- » Station amenities;
- » Bridge upgrades; and
- » Eligibility for Quiet Zone.







Third Street Corridor Benefits

- » Safety for vehicle traffic, pedestrians, and trains
- Train speeds increase from 25 mph up to a maximum of 40 mph, reducing the time that trains occupy crossings and traffic congestion
- » Eligibility for quiet zone









Safety and Reliability

- » 3rd Street Improvements will bring this section of the corridor up to the same *high standards of safety enhancements* used throughout the corridor
- Will help to improve on-time performance and increase overall reliability of passenger train operations







Environmental Process and Documentation

- Covers about 4-miles in Springfield
- » Process began in 2013; Environmental Assessment to be complete in 2014
- » Public Involvement Opportunities
 - On-going participation at local events
 - Public Hearing Late Summer/Early Fall 2014
 - Newsletters/Factsheets
 - Additional information will be provided via the Program website







Status of Design

- Technical design has been underway
- Now at preliminary engineering level
- » Extensive coordination with City, County, ICC, IDOT
- Design ready for concurrence on main concepts
- » Design will continue into Summer/Fall 2014, incorporating feedback





Grade Crossing Improvements

- Improved crossing surfaces
- » ADA Accessibility
- » Directive signage
- » Pedestrian crossings
- Crossing safety devices





Crossing Closures

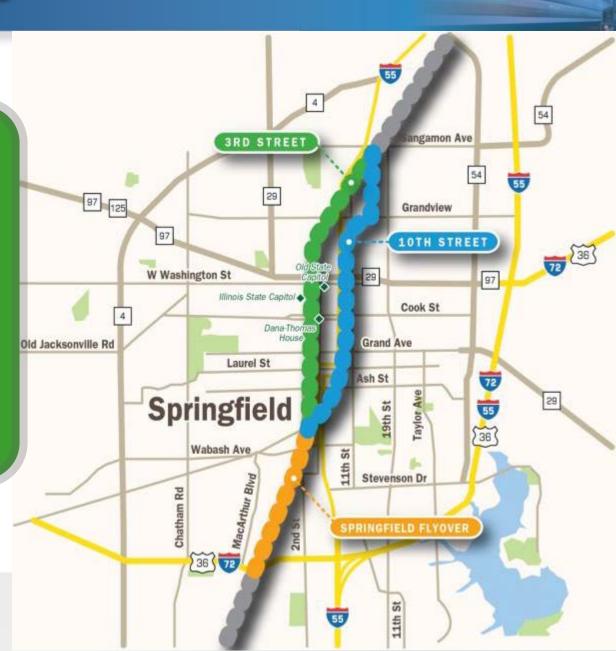
- A crossing will first be considered for closure after a diagnostic review.
- Consideration is made for use of a crossing, access to alternate crossing locations, and if a plan is already in place for closure.
- All crossing closures must be agreed upon with local community officials.
- Construction cost savings can be shared with local communities.





Potential Crossing Closures

- » Union St.
- East Jackson St.
- East Canedy St.
- East Scarritt St.
- » East Allen St.
- East Cedar St.





Bridge Upgrades

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Improve structural integrity and stability of existing bridges



Existing Capitol Street Bridge



Existing Dodge Street Bridge

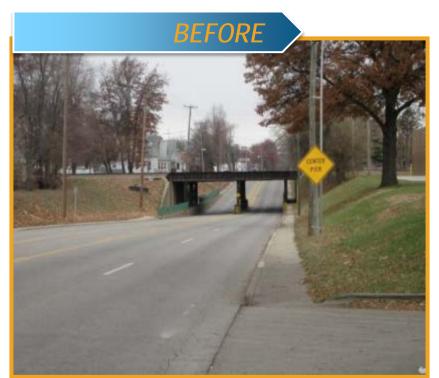




Bridges – 9th Street

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» Replacement of bridge, including additional safety benefits









Springfield Station Improvements

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» ADA Accessibility Enhancements:

- Platform
- Parking Facilities
- Entrances and Exits

Washroom Facilities







Right-of-Way and Pedestrian Fencing

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» Fencing will be provided the length of the existing route within the City of Springfield.

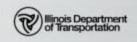




Land Acquisition

- » Minimize to the extent possible
- » If necessary, IDOT/Program Team representative will contact you directly







Update on Other Springfield Rail Projects





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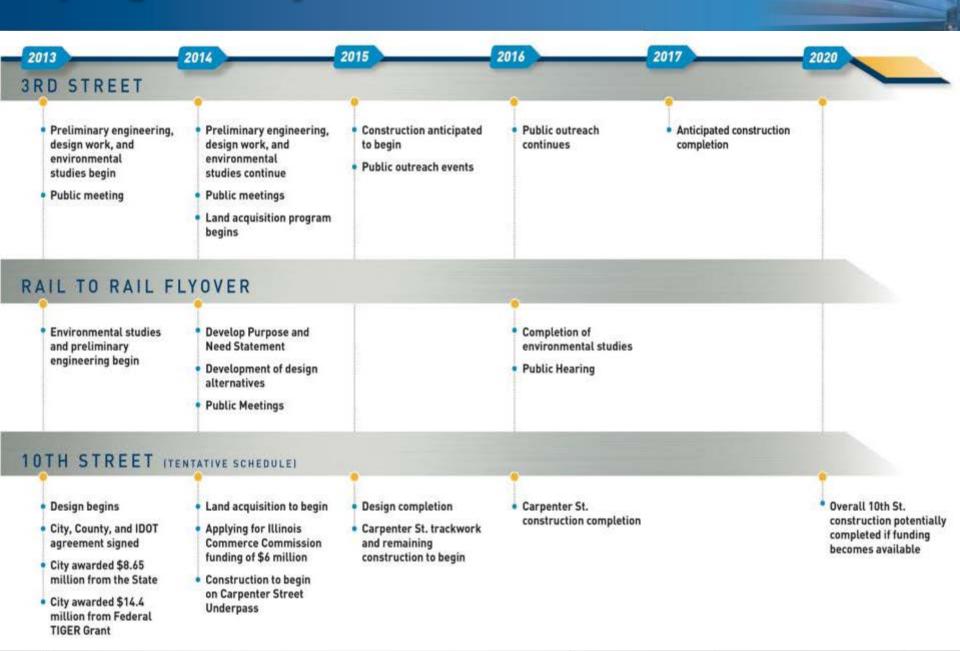
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Springfield Projects - Overall Timeline



Funding

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» 3rd Street - \$25-30 million

 Largely American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA)

Contributions from HSR Program Partners

» Springfield Flyover

IDOT - \$1.6 million for EIS

» 10th Street - \$315 million

- IDOT \$8.65 million for design work from Illinois Jobs Now!
- TIGER Grant for Carpenter Street
- Potential for funding from a variety of sources







Springfield Flyover

- » Study getting started
- » Will include public process







Springfield - Tenth Street

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- » Tier 2 NEPA complete: selected as Preferred Alternative in 2012
- City of Springfield is leading 10th Street Work
 - Design Underway
 - Construction funding only identified for Carpenter Street Underpass

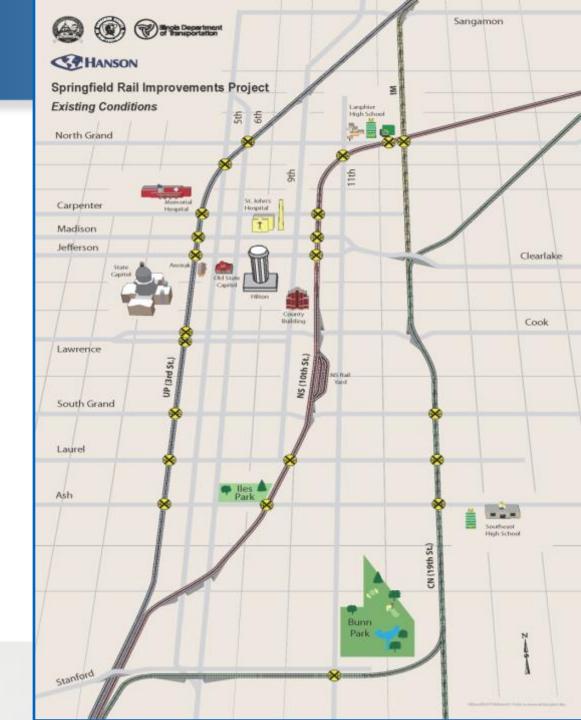
When fully funded, work will include:

- Consolidation
 of all rail freight and
 passenger traffic
- Construction of new grade separations
- New passenger rail station





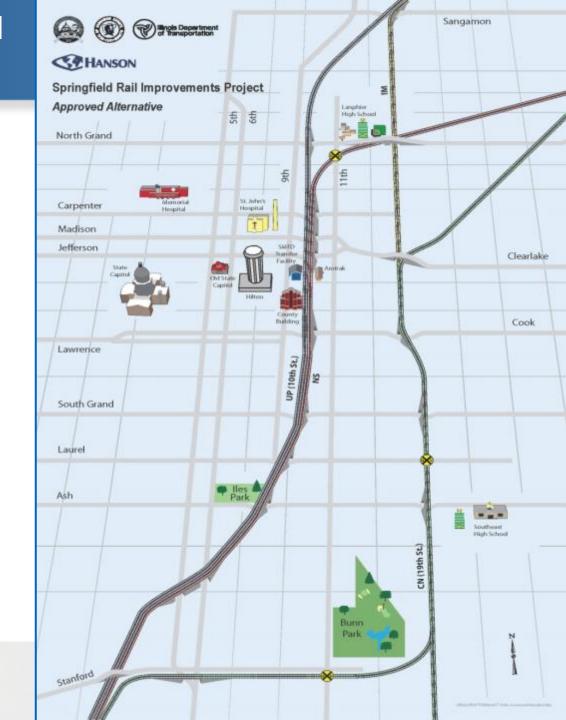
Existing Springfield Rail Lines





10th Street - Approved Alternative

The Federal Railroad
Administration issued their
Record of Decision in
December 2012.





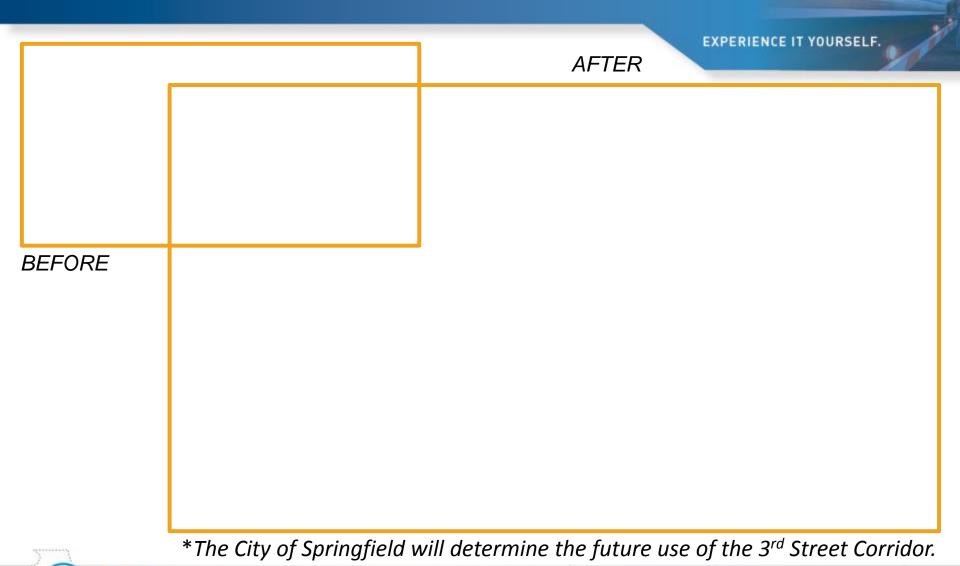
CARPENTER STREET UNDERPASS







Third Street - Future Proposal





Next Steps





Third Street Corridor

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» Anticipate construction completion by 2017.

2014

Environmental Documentation/ Engineering

Construction begins

Construction completion

Public Involvement Programming





- » Spring 2014: School Safety Briefings
- » Spring Fall 2014: Local Events/Festivals
- » Late Summer/Early Fall 2014: Public Hearing
- » Fall 2014: School Safety Briefings





Business Opportunities



- Wisit the Doing Business section of www.idothsr.org.
 - Find details about the bidding process and current business opportunities
 - Find related links for detailed procedures





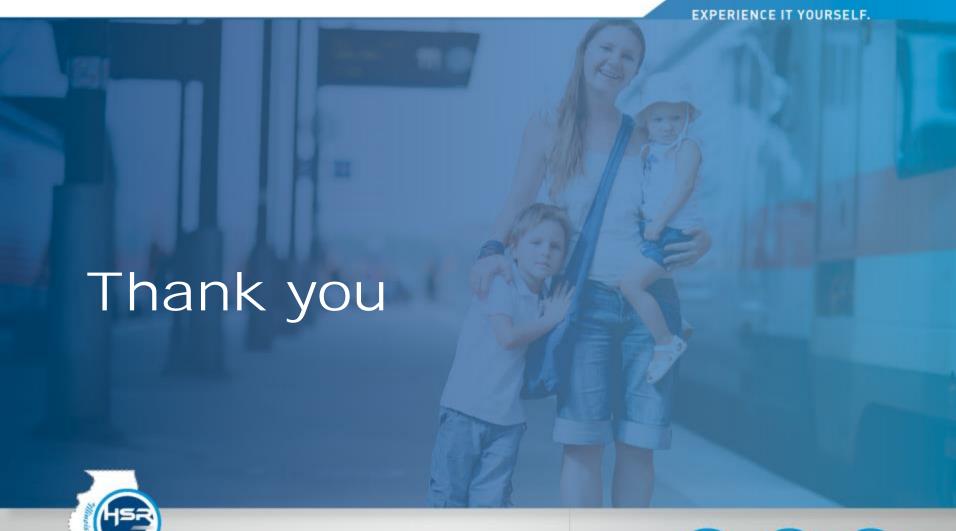
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- Visit <u>www.idothsr.org</u> for project specific information, business opportunities, and to comment on the Illinois High-Speed Rail Program
- » Visit the Facebook Page: www.facebook.com/illinoishighspeedrail
- » Call the Program Hotline: 1-855-IDOT-HSR (436-8477)

















Crossing Concepts – 8th Street and Converse









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Crossing Concepts - N. Grand Avenue and 6th Street



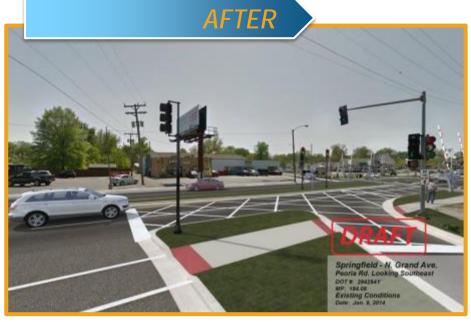






Crossing Concepts - N. Grand Avenue and 6th Street









Crossing Concepts – 4th Street









Crossing Concepts – 5th Street









Crossing Concepts - Union Street









Crossing Concepts - Jefferson Street









Crossing Concepts - Monroe Street

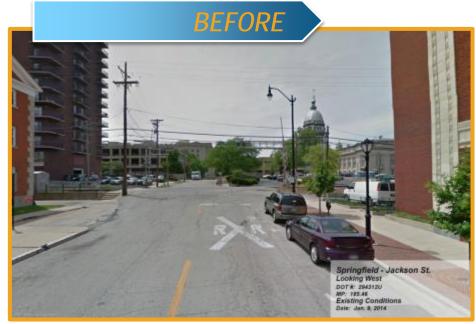


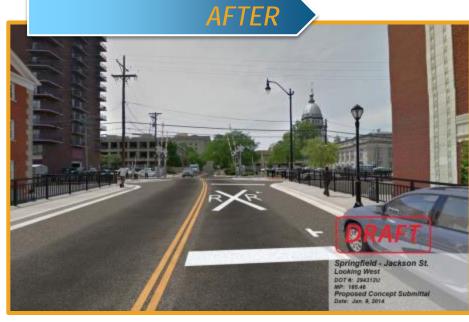






Crossing Concepts - Jackson Street









Crossing Concepts - Lawrence Street









Crossing Concepts - Scarritt Street









Crossing Concepts - S. Grand Street









Crossing Concepts - Laurel Street

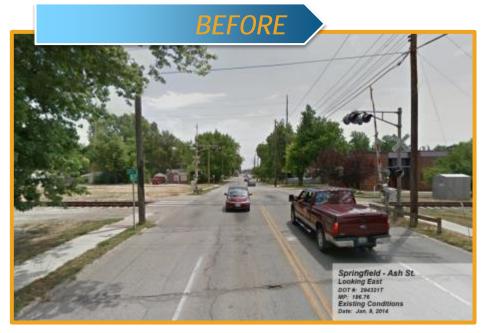


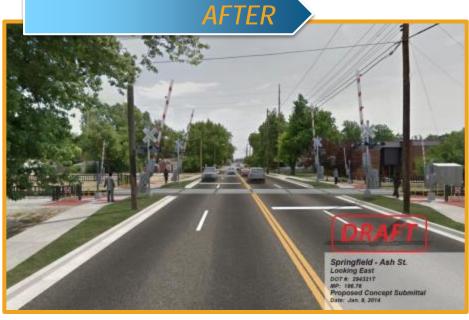






Crossing Concepts - Ash Street









Crossing Concepts - Cedar Street







