



'L' System Slow Zone Map

November 2025

“Slow zones” are areas of track where trains are required to operate at slower-than-normal speeds due to certain track conditions and other temporary concerns. Track conditions can develop on railways from age, weather and other sometimes unpredictable forces that cause distress or deterioration on track components. Slow zones can also be implemented due to nearby construction work, which can last for weeks or even months.

With more than 225 miles of CTA track, slow zones are constantly changing and evolving: As crews repair one section of track, new slow zones can be instituted if track inspectors detect new signs of deterioration somewhere or as an upgrade project begins on our system.

As a result, the percentage of slow zones across our system vary from month to month.

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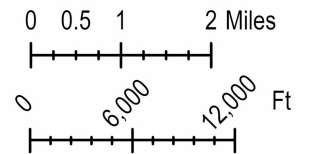


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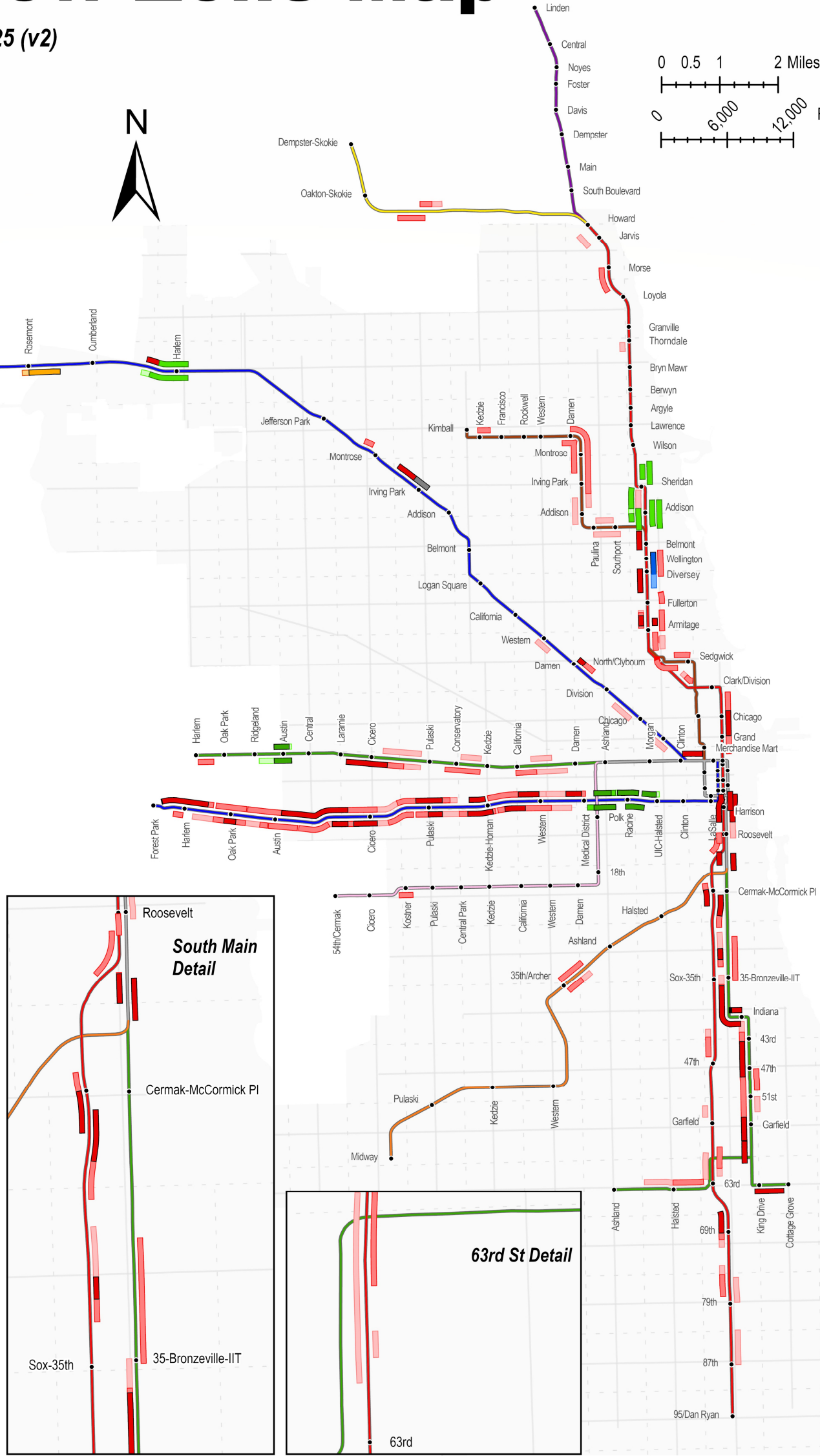
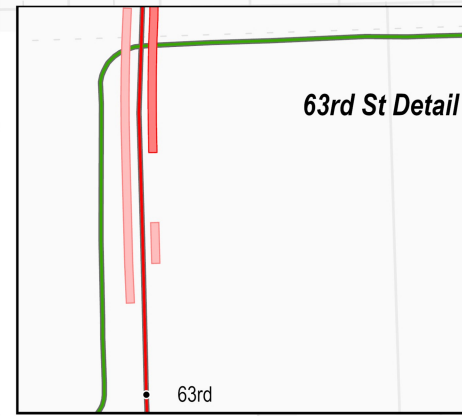
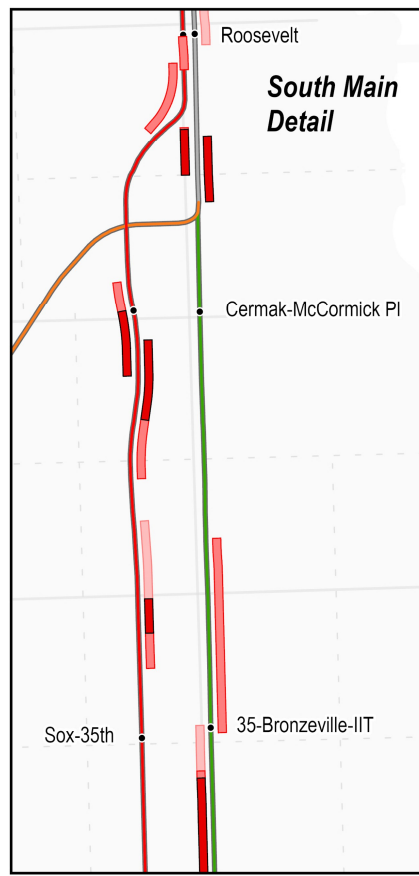
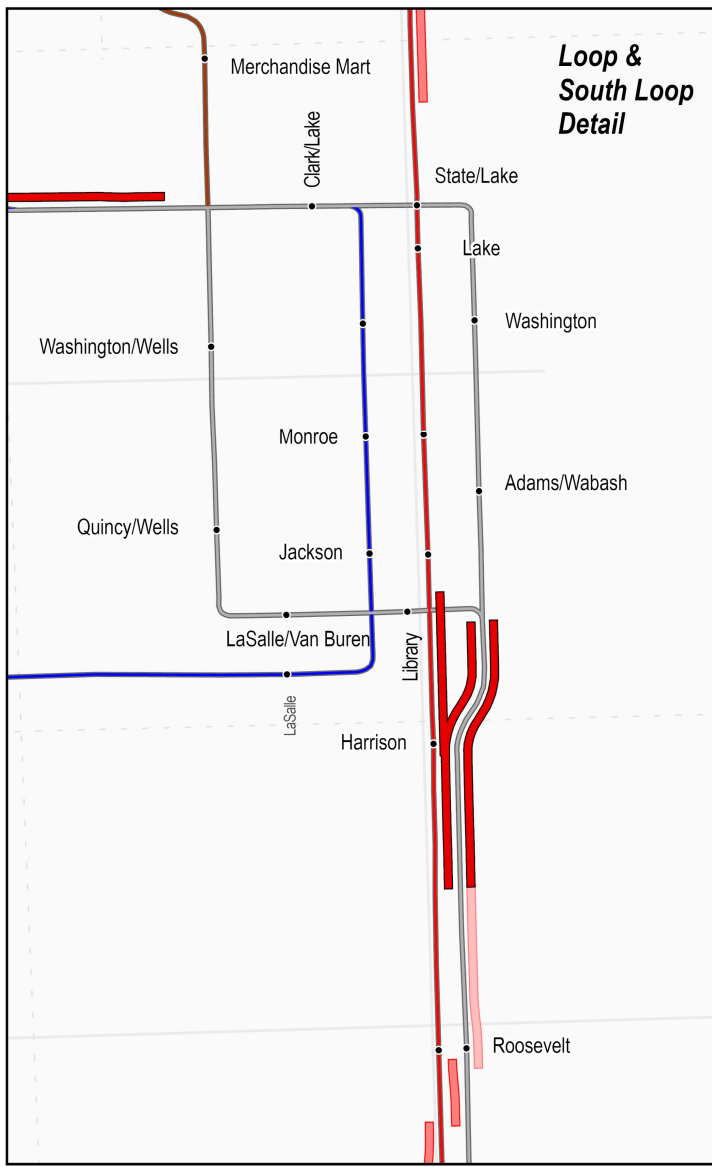
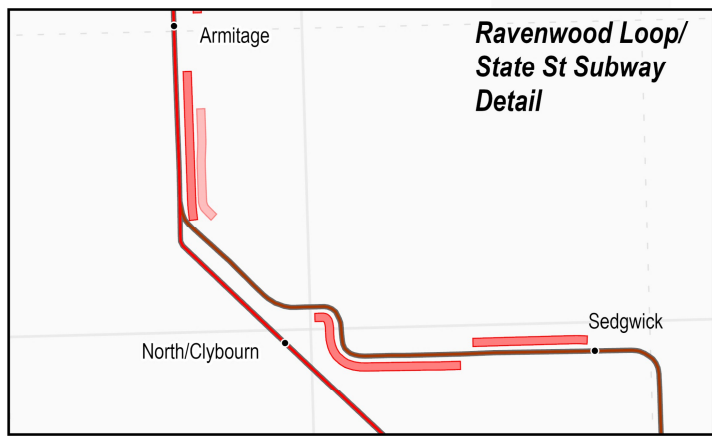
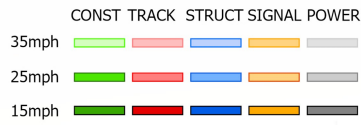


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Slow Zones By Requesting Area



* Between dates: 11/1/2025 - 11/30/2025

Line Color	Total Slow Zone	Total Usable Length	% Slow Zone
BLUE	99,231	295,440	33.6%
RED	48,351	248,996	19.4%
YELLOW	3,550	51,330	6.9%
PURPLE	5,712	92,559	6.2%
LOOP	1,453	21,164	6.9%
BROWN	24,112	98,400	24.5%
ORANGE	6,448	103,018	6.3%
GREEN	61,455	198,441	31.0%
PINK	790	76,294	1.0%
	251,102	1,185,642	21.2%

Area To Be Removed	15 MPH	25 MPH	35 MPH	Total Slow Zone
TRACK	65,676	119,921	78,597	264,194
STRUCTURE	2,043	757		2,800
SIGNAL	2,378	611		2,989
POWER	755	275		1,030
CONSTRUCTION	5,895	15,830	3,250	24,975
	76,747	137,394	81,847	295,988

Branch Name	15 MPH	25 MPH	35 MPH	Total Slow Zone	Total Usable Length	% Slow Zone	Slow Zone Added*	Slow Zone Removed*
Congress	28,105	29,170	19,599	76,874	94,010	81.8%		742
O'Hare/Logan Square	6,052	11,950	1,859	19,861	155,760	12.8%	2,989	6,950
Dearborn Subway			2,496	2,496	45,670	5.5%		
North Main Line	4,369	7,043	3,098	14,510	90,087	16.1%	4,344	272
State Subway	4,237	5,244	493	9,974	48,426	20.6%		
Dan Ryan	4,510	8,562	10,795	23,867	110,483	21.6%		
Skokie		2,600	950	3,550	51,330	6.9%		
Evanston					40,704			
Evanston Express		5,302	410	5,712	51,855	11.0%	5,712	626
Loop		1,453		1,453	21,164	6.9%		
Ravenswood/Ravenswood-Loop		16,897	7,215	24,112	98,400	24.5%		
Midway/Grand Junction	2,203	3,272	973	6,448	103,018	6.3%		
Lake	6,635	6,574	11,665	24,874	91,228	27.3%		5,065
South Loop/South Main Line	14,089	11,035	4,106	29,230	65,403	44.7%		9,617
Englewood		2,346	2,604	4,950	30,292	16.3%		5,689
Jackson Park	2,401			2,401	11,518	20.8%		
Douglas/Connector		790		790	76,294	1.0%		
	72,601	112,238	66,263	251,102	1,185,642	21.2%	13,045	28,961

Note: 1. Unless otherwise specified, all measurements above are displayed in linear feet.

2. Multiple slow zones due to different root causes and different departments can potentially overlap. Therefore, the system-wide total slow zone length by department (area to be removed) may add to a higher number than the total slow zone length in effect on each branch.

3. Total Usable Length may vary depending on construction projects and tracks that are open and available to the public.