



'L' System Slow Zone Map

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“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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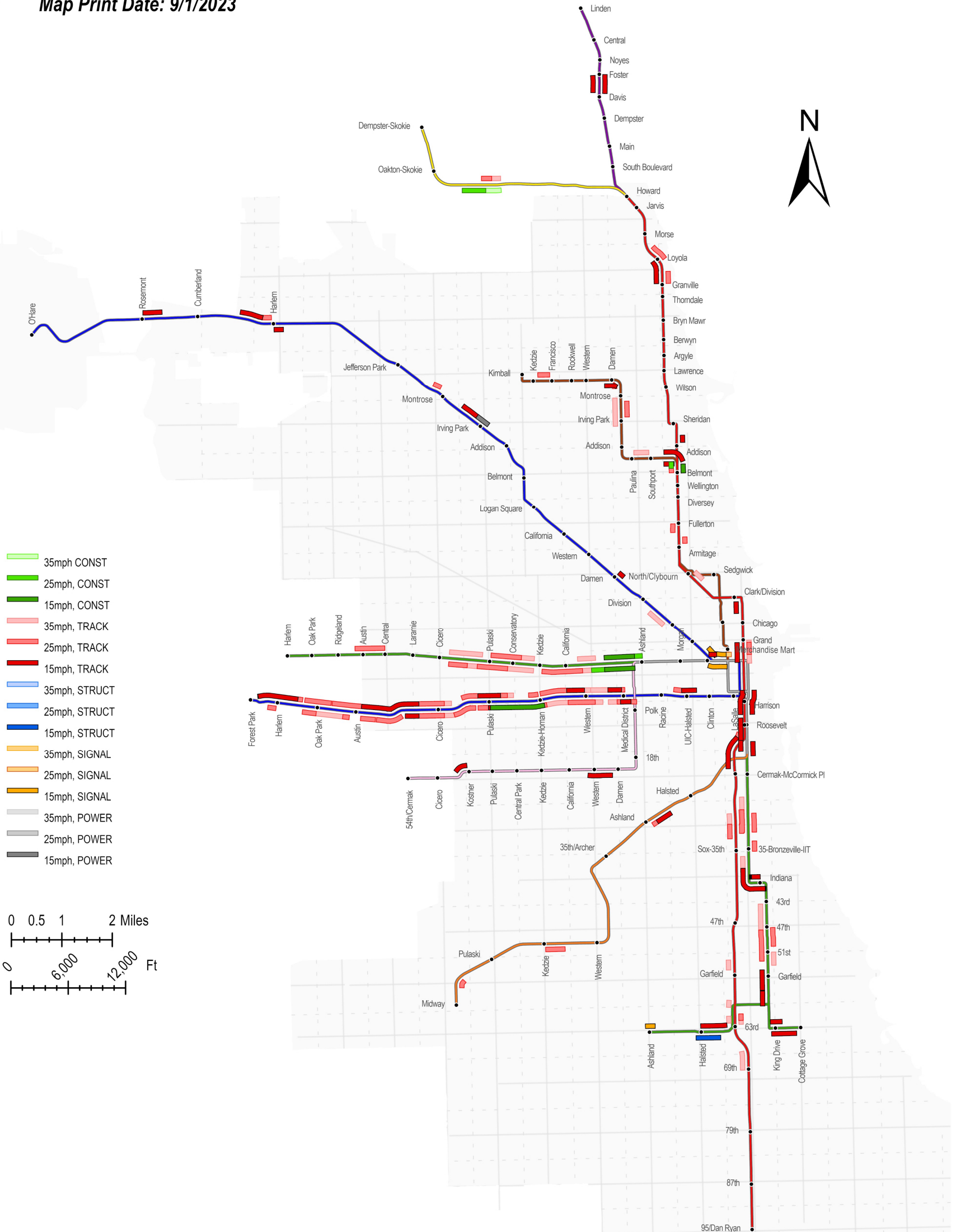


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Line Color	Total Slow Zone	Total Length	% Slow Zone
BLUE	79,926	295,889	27.0%
RED	22,743	248,132	9.2%
YELLOW	5,100	51,330	9.9%
PURPLE	2,850	86,549	3.3%
LOOP	1,111	21,164	5.2%
BROWN	9,195	97,657	9.4%
ORANGE	5,915	102,831	5.8%
GREEN	68,375	197,543	34.6%
PINK	2,516	76,294	3.3%
TOTAL	197,731	1,177,389	16.8%

Area To Be Removed	15 MPH	25 MPH	35 MPH	Total Slow Zone
TRACK	75,498	78,443	56,237	210,178
STRUCTURE	2,099			2,099
SIGNAL	4,102	548		4,650
POWER	1,030			1,030
CONSTRUCTION	11,004	4,393	1,550	16,947
TOTAL	93,733	83,384	57,787	234,904

Branch Name	15 MPH	25 MPH	35 MPH	Total Slow Zone	Total Length	% Slow Zone	Slow Zone Added*	Slow Zone Removed*
Congress	21,658	29,416	14,719	65,793	94,010	70.0%		6,333
O'Hare/Logan Square	6,770	1,735		8,505	156,209	5.4%		7,691
Dearborn Subway	3,560	548	1,520	5,628	45,670	12.3%		1,714
North Main Line	3,090	3,863		6,953	89,223	7.8%	1,591	
State Subway	2,361	795	1,793	4,949	48,426	10.2%		
Dan Ryan	2,712	2,506	5,623	10,841	110,483	9.8%	1,956	
Skokie		3,550	1,550	5,100	51,330	9.9%		
Evanston	2,850			2,850	40,704	7.0%	160	
Evanston Express					45,845			
Loop		1,111		1,111	21,164	5.2%		
Ravenswood/Ravenswood-Loop	2,743	2,877	3,575	9,195	97,657	9.4%	772	
Midway/Grand Junction	3,027	2,888		5,915	102,831	5.8%	1,564	
Lake	5,746	15,475	11,435	32,656	91,228	35.8%	2,650	
South Loop/South Main Line	12,946	8,696	6,166	27,808	65,403	42.5%		
Englewood	4,987			4,987	29,394	17.0%		
Jackson Park	2,924			2,924	11,518	25.4%	929	
Douglas/Connector	2,516			2,516	76,294	3.3%		
TOTAL	77,890	73,460	46,381	197,731	1,177,389	16.8%	9,622	15,738

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.