



# 'L' System Slow Zone Map

May 2023

“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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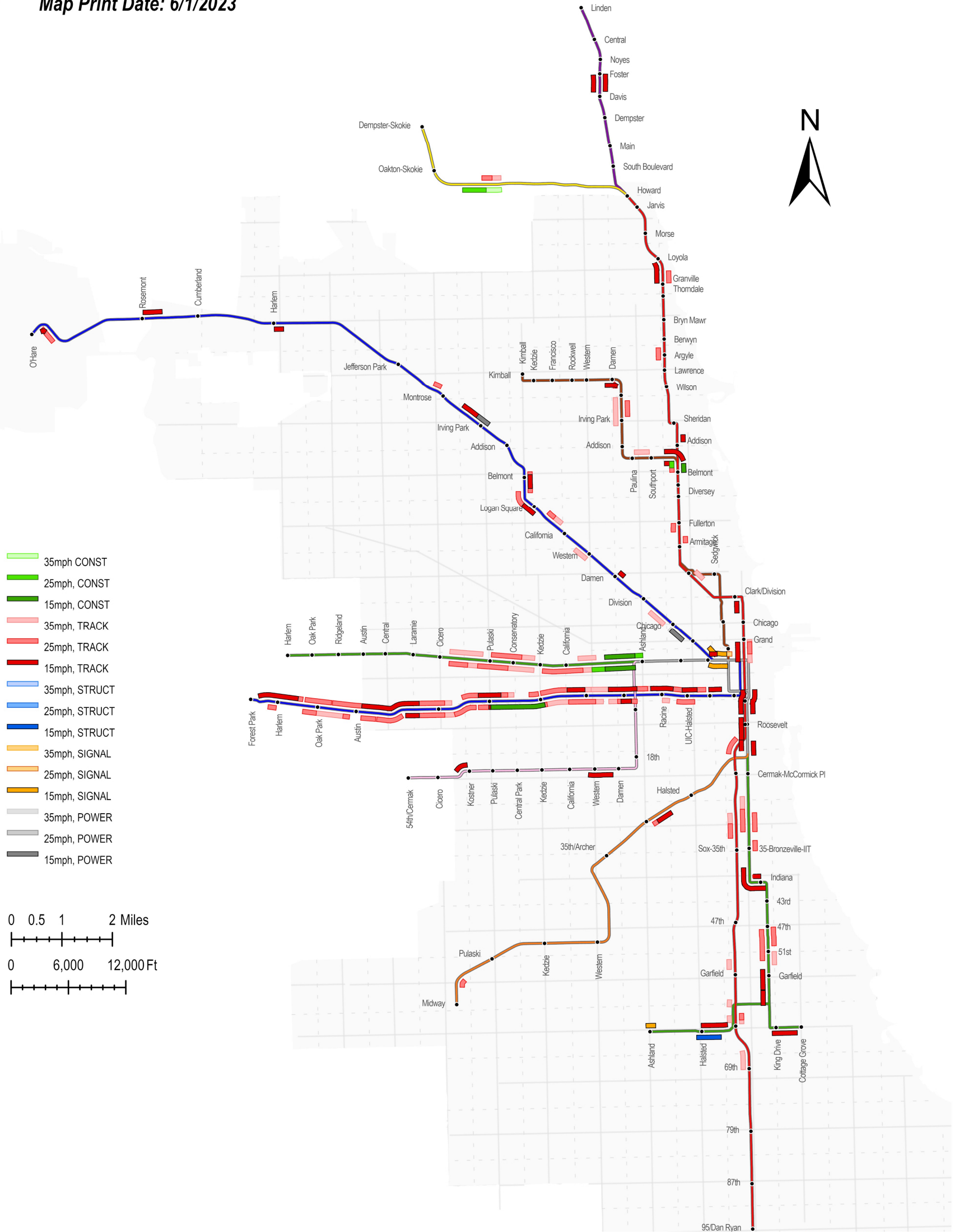


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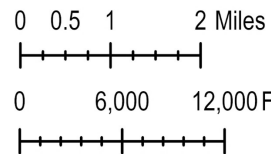


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Map Print Date: 6/1/2023



- 35mph CONST
- 25mph, CONST
- 15mph, CONST
- 35mph, TRACK
- 25mph, TRACK
- 15mph, TRACK
- 35mph, STRUCT
- 25mph, STRUCT
- 15mph, STRUCT
- 35mph, SIGNAL
- 25mph, SIGNAL
- 15mph, SIGNAL
- 35mph, POWER
- 25mph, POWER
- 15mph, POWER



\* Between dates: 5/1/2023 - 5/31/2023

Line Color	Total Slow Zone	Total Length	% Slow Zone
BLUE	97,249	294,581	33.0%
RED	16,800	234,179	7.2%
YELLOW	5,100	51,330	9.9%
PURPLE	2,690	86,549	3.1%
LOOP	1,111	21,164	5.2%
BROWN	8,423	97,657	8.6%
ORANGE	4,351	102,831	4.2%
GREEN	60,855	197,543	30.8%
PINK	2,516	76,294	3.3%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>199,095</b>	<b>1,162,128</b>	<b>17.1%</b>

Area To Be Removed	15 MPH	25 MPH	35 MPH	Total Slow Zone
TRACK	70,737	77,956	54,195	202,888
STRUCTURE	2,099			2,099
SIGNAL	4,102	548		4,650
POWER	2,215		213	2,428
CONSTRUCTION	11,004	4,393	1,550	16,947
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>90,157</b>	<b>82,897</b>	<b>55,958</b>	<b>229,012</b>

Branch Name	15 MPH	25 MPH	35 MPH	Total Slow Zone	Total Length	% Slow Zone	Slow Zone Added*	Slow Zone Removed*
Congress	26,036	31,927	15,863	73,826	94,010	78.5%		
O'Hare/Logan Square	7,930	4,664	2,089	14,683	154,901	9.5%		
Dearborn Subway	5,614	1,393	1,733	8,740	45,670	19.1%	1,398	
North Main Line	2,723	2,639		5,362	75,270	7.1%		
State Subway	2,361	795	1,793	4,949	48,426	10.2%		
Dan Ryan		2,315	4,174	6,489	110,483	5.9%		
Skokie		3,550	1,550	5,100	51,330	9.9%		
Evanston		2,690		2,690	40,704	6.6%		
Evanston Express					45,845			
Loop		1,111		1,111	21,164	5.2%		
Ravenswood/Ravenswood-Loop	2,743	2,105	3,575	8,423	97,657	8.6%		1,000
Midway/Grand Junction	3,027	1,324		4,351	102,831	4.2%		
Lake	5,746	12,825	11,435	30,006	91,228	32.9%		
South Loop/South Main Line	12,946	8,696	2,225	23,867	65,403	36.5%		
Englewood	4,987			4,987	29,394	17.0%		
Jackson Park	1,995			1,995	11,518	17.3%		
Douglas/Connector	2,516			2,516	76,294	3.3%		
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>81,314</b>	<b>73,344</b>	<b>44,437</b>	<b>199,095</b>	<b>1,162,128</b>	<b>17.1%</b>	<b>1,398</b>	<b>1,000</b>

**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.