



‘L’ System Slow Zone Map

July 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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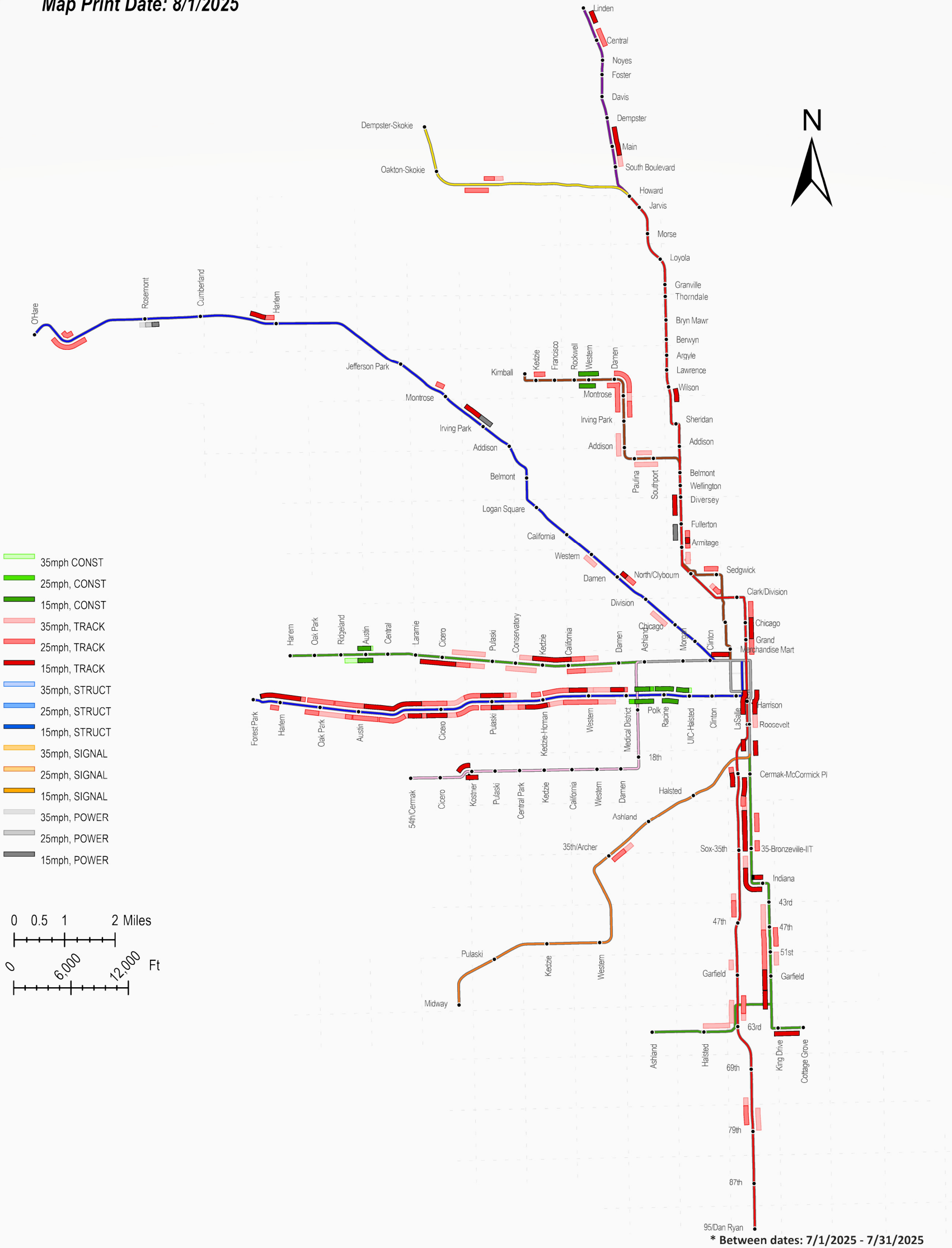


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Map Print Date: 8/1/2025



* Between dates: 7/1/2025 - 7/31/2025

Line Color	Total Slow Zone	Total Length	% Slow Zone
BLUE	87,905	295,440	29.8%
RED	29,568	231,949	12.7%
YELLOW	3,550	51,330	6.9%
PURPLE	6,595	84,952	7.8%
LOOP	1,453	21,164	6.9%
BROWN	21,708	97,626	22.2%
ORANGE	4,338	103,018	4.2%
GREEN	63,538	198,441	32.0%
PINK	1,696	76,294	2.2%
	220,351	1,160,214	19.0%

Area To Be Removed	15 MPH	25 MPH	35 MPH	Total Slow Zone
TRACK	66,847	93,456	80,535	240,838
STRUCTURE	2,043	757		2,800
POWER	1,935	275		2,210
CONSTRUCTION	8,738	1,010	1,975	11,723
	79,563	95,498	82,510	257,571

Branch Name	15 MPH	25 MPH	35 MPH	Total Slow Zone	Total Length	% Slow Zone	Slow Zone Added*	Slow Zone Removed*
Congress	24,979	28,981	20,527	74,487	94,010	79.2%	1,668	
O'Hare/Logan Square	3,674	7,230	994	11,898	155,760	7.6%		1,474
Dearborn Subway			1,520	1,520	45,670	3.3%		
North Main Line	3,918	2,309	735	6,962	73,040	9.5%	5,087	
State Subway	1,787	4,030	493	6,310	48,426	13.0%	1,787	5,043
Dan Ryan	2,412	5,925	7,959	16,296	110,483	14.7%	2,313	
Skokie		2,600	950	3,550	51,330	6.9%		
Evanston	3,365	1,454	1,150	5,969	40,704	14.7%	4,515	
Evanston Express	626			626	44,248	1.4%		
Loop		1,453		1,453	21,164	6.9%		
Ravenswood/Ravenswood-Loop	4,023	10,320	7,365	21,708	97,626	22.2%		508
Midway/Grand Junction	2,203	1,162	973	4,338	103,018	4.2%		
Lake	10,285	4,320	14,385	28,990	91,228	31.8%		
South Loop/South Main Line	14,048	8,181	7,572	29,801	65,403	45.6%		
Englewood			2,346	2,346	30,292	7.7%		
Jackson Park	2,401			2,401	11,518	20.8%		
Douglas/Connector	1,696			1,696	76,294	2.2%		
	75,417	77,965	66,969	220,351	1,160,214	19.0%	15,370	7,025

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.