



'L' System Slow Zone Map

June 2026

“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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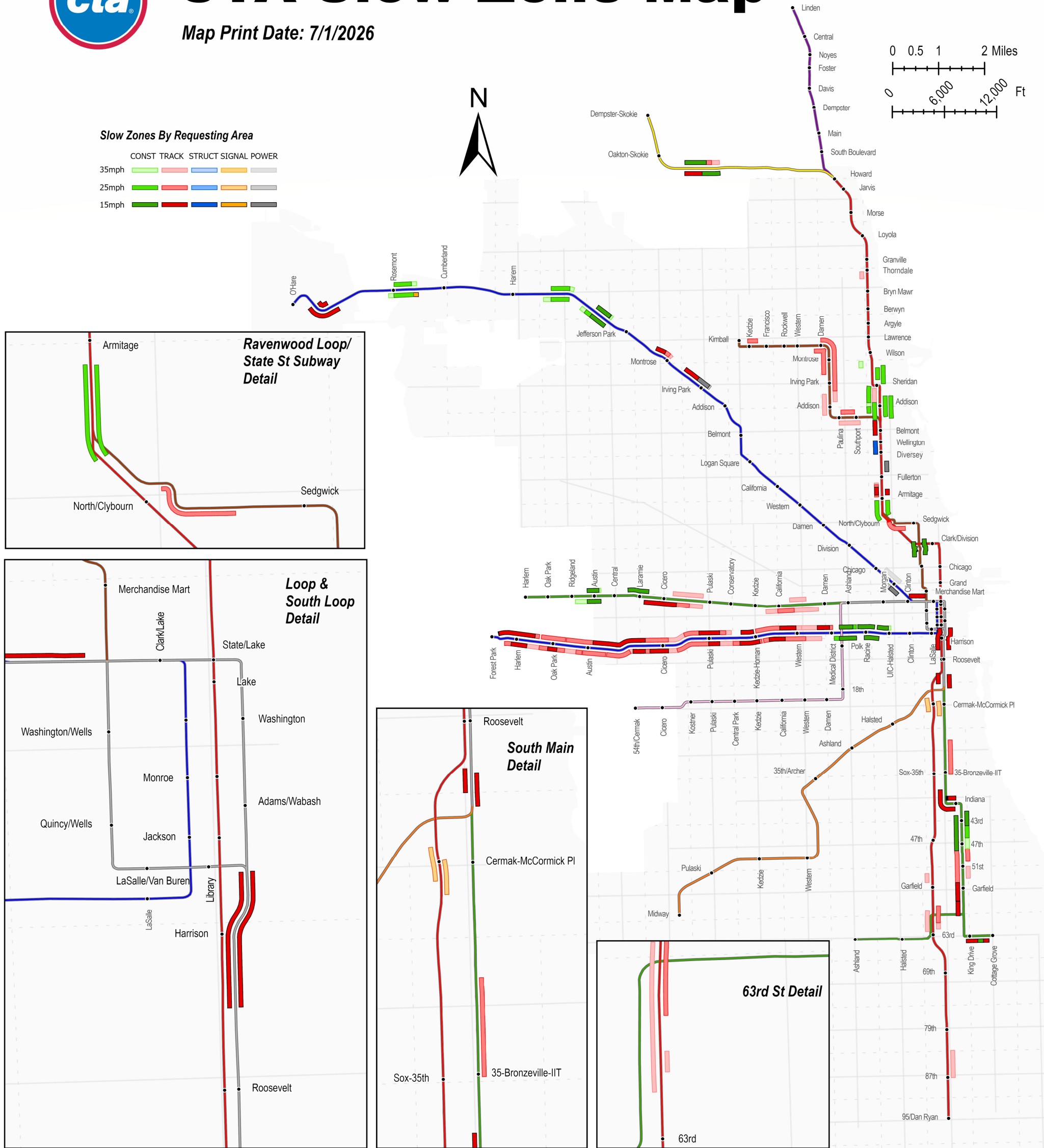
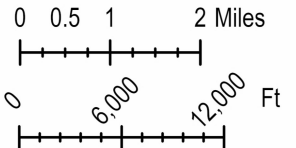


CTA Slow Zone Map

Map Print Date: 7/1/2026

Slow Zones By Requesting Area

	CONST TRACK	STRUCT	SIGNAL	POWER
35mph	█	█	█	█
25mph	█	█	█	█
15mph	█	█	█	█



* Between dates: 6/1/2026 - 6/30/2026

Line Color	Total Slow Zone	Total Usable Length	% Slow Zone
BLUE	104,891	295,440	35.5%
RED	21,558	241,356	8.9%
YELLOW	7,100	51,330	13.8%
PURPLE	5,974	98,604	6.1%
LOOP	1,111	21,164	5.2%
BROWN	21,035	98,964	21.3%
ORANGE	2,203	103,018	2.1%
GREEN	53,205	198,441	26.8%
PINK		76,294	
TOTAL	217,077	1,184,611	18.3%

Area To Be Removed	15 MPH	25 MPH	35 MPH	Total Slow Zone
TRACK	59,348	75,891	58,260	193,499
STRUCTURE	1,120			1,120
SIGNAL	2,378	2,841		5,219
POWER	2,559	430	1,853	4,842
CONSTRUCTION	22,656	22,629	7,134	52,419
TOTAL	88,061	101,791	67,247	257,099

Branch Name	15 MPH	25 MPH	35 MPH	Total Slow Zone	Total Usable Length	% Slow Zone	Slow Zone Added*	Slow Zone Removed*
Congress	29,457	30,322	19,599	79,378	94,010	84.4%		
O'Hare/Logan Square	12,930	6,975	2,970	22,875	155,760	14.7%		
Dearborn Subway	785	230	1,623	2,638	45,670	5.8%		
North Main Line	2,510	4,811	2,192	9,513	83,650	11.4%	1,120	
State Subway	1,214	1,890		3,104	48,648	6.4%		
Dan Ryan		3,668	5,273	8,941	109,058	8.2%		
Skokie	5,550	600	950	7,100	51,330	13.8%		
Evanston					40,663			
Evanston Express		5,302	672	5,974	57,941	10.3%		
Loop		1,111		1,111	21,164	5.2%		
Ravenswood/Ravenswood-Loop	2,694	13,266	5,075	21,035	98,964	21.3%		970
Midway/Grand Junction	2,203			2,203	103,018	2.1%		
Lake	8,506	2,905	11,655	23,066	91,228	25.3%		3,660
South Loop/South Main Line	14,891	10,982	2,106	27,979	65,403	42.8%	3,800	950
Englewood				30,292				
Jackson Park	2,160			2,160	11,518	18.8%		
Douglas/Connector					76,294			3,088
TOTAL	82,900	82,062	52,115	217,077	1,184,611	18.3%	4,920	8,668

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.