



Red-Purple Bypass Project: Bypass Bridge Steel Erection Fall 2020

Summary

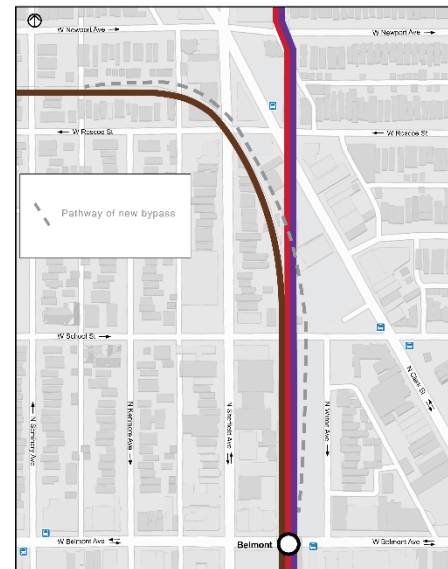
CTA is moving forward with construction of the new Red-Purple Bypass, an important part of the Red and Purple Modernization (RPM) Phase One Project that will allow us to increase our capacity to add train service, easing overcrowding and delays.

This past summer, we completed construction of the columns for the new bypass bridge north of the Belmont station. We have begun a new phase: erecting the steel structure that forms the backbone of the bypass. Here's what you can expect:

- Beginning in November 2020, crews will install the steel from column to column starting in the lot on the west side of Wilton Ave between Belmont Ave and School St.
- The work will require the use of large cranes and other equipment as the contractor moves north along the path of the bypass.
- Once sections of steel are erected, other crews will follow installing the bypass deck that the tracks and other equipment will rest on.
- Steel erection is expected to be fully completed in early 2021; the full bypass is anticipated to be completed and fully operational as early as mid-2021.

Community impacts

- Parking lane closures on W. School St.
- W. School St. closure November-December 2020
- N Clark St. parking closure December 2020-January 2021
- W. Roscoe St. and N. Sheffield Ave closures January-February 2021
- Alley closures January-March 2021



CTA rail service impacts

There will be Red Line service impacts expected for two weekends in January 2021 that will require taking a bus shuttle between the Southport and Belmont stations and the Belmont and Addison stations while track work is performed.

For more information

Thank you for your patience and cooperation as we continue to proceed with RPM. For more information on the CTA's Red and Purple Modernization, please visit transitchicago.com/RPM or email us at RPM@transitchicago.com.