

Third Mainline – 123rd Street to Cal Sag Channel

May 2022

SCOPE OF WORK

Construction of a third main line along the Indiana Harbor Belt. Upgrading of some existing track at interlockings, which are locations where two tracks cross. Construction included a new rail bridge over 127th Street and associated signal work.

BENEFITS

Before completion of this project, freight trains destined to Barr and Blue Island Yards to the east waited at this location for access to the yards, creating congestion on the main line tracks. The new third main line track now provides additional capacity for trains passing through the area to proceed around trains waiting for yard access.

Location

Along Indiana Harbor Belt (IHB) rail line between 123rd Street and the Cal Sag Channel
Alsip and Blue Island, IL

Daily Trains Affected

77 Freight Trains (IHB, CSX, UP, BNSF, CN, NS, CP, Iowa Interstate)

Communities Benefited

Alsip and Blue Island, IL

PROJECT PHOTOS



PROJECT STATUS

Phase I NEPA – Preliminary Design	Phase II Final Plans, Specifications and Estimates	Phase III Construction
Completed	Completed	Completed July 2011

PROJECT LOCATION MAP

