## **CREATE Project EW3 Public Hearing**

The Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) invites you to attend a Public Hearing concerning CREATE (Chicago Region Environmental and Transportation Efficiency) Project EW3. The Hearing will be held:

> Thursday, May 22, 2014 Olive Harvey College 10001 South Woodlawn Avenue Chicago, IL 60628 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

The purpose of the EW3 project is to improve freight train operations and add capacity between the Dan Ryan Expressway and the Chicago Skyway in the vicinity of 95th Street. The proposed project is needed to address current low operating speeds: limited flexibility: congestion: and delays in this heavily used freight rail corridor. This railroad project and all improvements associated with it will occur within the existing railroad right-of-way. Noise abatement measures are being considered for potential implementation as part of this project.

The purpose of this Public Hearing is to:

- Provide an overview of the CREATE EW3 Project
- Present alternatives considered for the EW3 Project
- · Discuss the potential noise abatement measures
- Obtain public input

The Public Hearing will be conducted in an open house format with a prerecorded presentation available for viewing. No formal presentation will be made. Project updates and study information will be presented. The public will have an opportunity to provide comments. The CREATE partners will be present to answer any questions. Written comments will be accepted at the Hearing or may be sent to HDR Engineering, Inc. 8550 W. Bryn Mawr Ave., Ste. 900, Chicago, IL 60631, Attn: Janice Reid, Project Environmental Lead or Janice.reid@hdrinc.com/773-380-7919 for a period of two weeks following the Hearing, through June 5, 2014.

The Hearing will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Anyone needing special assistance should contact Ms. Lily Escarpita of Images, Inc. at 630-510-3944 ext. 112. Persons planning to attend who will need a sign language interpreter or other similar accommodations should notify the TTY/TTD number (800) 526-0844/ or 711; TTY users (Spanish) (800) 501-0864/or 711; and for Telebraille dial (877) 526-6670 at least five days prior to the Hearing.





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