

Pullman Junction

June 2022

SCOPE OF WORK

Segment A of this project will realign track and upgrade signals at the north end of Norfolk Southern's Calumet Yard where NS track connects to the Belt Railway of Chicago. The project also includes construction of a second Norfolk Southern track through the junction, replacement of hand thrown yard switches with power-operated switches, and installation of a sound wall.

Segment B of the project will upgrade an existing Belt Railway of Chicago yard track to a main line track from Rock Island Junction to Pullman Junction (where the Belt Railway of Chicago and Norfolk Southern connect near Stony Island and 95th Street). Additionally, signal upgrades to Centralized Traffic Control (CTC remotely directs the movements of trains) will be made throughout the entire project.

BENEFITS

Trains traveling east on the Belt Railway of Chicago toward the Norfolk Southern Chicago Subdivision often must wait for cross traffic to clear, creating main line congestion. Trains traveling westward off the Norfolk Southern Chicago Subdivision are also delayed due to congestion on the Belt Railway of Chicago. The additional main line track will provide additional capacity for through movements around the trains waiting to access the Norfolk Southern Chicago Subdivision. Additional track and signal upgrades at Pullman Junction will allow greater flexibility and access to four existing main line tracks west of Pullman Junction.

Location

From Rock Island Junction, where the Belt Railway of Chicago (BRC) and Norfolk Southern (NS) cross near Commercial Avenue and 95th Street, to west of Pullman Junction near Stony Island Avenue and 95th Street
Chicago, IL

Daily Trains Affected

37 Freight Trains
(BRC, NS, Chicago Rail Link, South Chicago and Indiana Harbor, CP, CSX, UP)

Communities Benefited

Chicago Community Areas:
Burnside, Calumet Heights, Pullman and South Deering, East Side, South Chicago

PROJECT LOCATION MAP

Phase I NEPA – Preliminary Design	Phase II Final Plans, Specifications and Estimates	Phase III Construction
Complete	Complete	Not Started

