

Archer Avenue & Belt Railway of Chicago Grade Separation

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SCOPE OF WORK

The project will consider eliminating the at-grade crossing of Archer Avenue by two Belt Railway of Chicago (BRC) tracks. This will be accomplished by creating either an overpass or underpass for vehicles using Archer Avenue at this location.

BENEFITS

Approximately 18,600 vehicles and 259 CTA buses (#62) pass through the crossing daily. This project will improve air quality by reducing vehicle idling, reduce roadway congestion and improve safety for all road users. The grade crossing separation will eliminate delay to more than 2,700 vehicles daily, resulting in alleviation of nearly 59,600 annual motorist hours of delay. It will also eliminate the potential for collisions between vehicles and trains.

This location is designated a “911 Critical Crossing.” This is a critical location for emergency services to access communities that have a high frequency of train movements or delays. The grade separation will eliminate this issue.

Location

Archer Avenue at
Kenton Avenue
(East of the Archer Avenue/
Cicero Avenue intersection)
Chicago, IL

Daily Trains Affected

32 Freight Trains

Communities Benefited

Chicago Community Areas:
Archer Heights and Garfield
Ridge Community Areas

PROJECT PHOTOS



View facing Southwest on Archer Avenue



View facing Northeast on Archer Avenue

PROJECT LOCATION MAP

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