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Dolton Interlocking Upgrade

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SCOPE OF WORK

This project will upgrade and reconfigure the CSX/Indiana Harbor Belt (IHB)/UP connections at Dolton Interlocking, including replacing a Norfolk Southern (NS) connection between the IHB and CSX. A third main line with direct access from CSX and Barr Yard to the UP mainline will be constructed and include crossovers between two mainline IHB tracks. This will upgrade the connection between IHB and UP and automate Dolton Tower for remote control.

BENEFITS

The project will increase freight train speeds for multiple routes from 15 mph to 30 mph, including routes accessing CSX Barr Yard, UP Yard Center, UP Dolton Intermodal Yard, a CSX mainline route mainline connections between IHB, CSX, and UP. The increased speeds will enable this location to handle increased freight train throughput. Due to increased freight train speeds, potential for delay at crossings and to Amtrak trains will be reduced.

PROJECT PHOTOS



North on CSX connection at Dolton



West on the IHB from the middle of the UP/IHB diamond

Location

Dolton Interlocking, where the CSX, IHB and UP rail lines cross. Project location extends from 136th Place in Riverdale to the north to Monroe Street in Dolton to the south, and from Eggleston to the west to Center Street to the east.

Dolton, IL

Daily Trains Affected

125 Freight Trains (UP, CSX, IHB, NS, CN)

2 Amtrak Trains (Cardinal Service)

Communities Benefited

Dolton and Riverdale



PROJECT STATUS

Phase I NEPA – Preliminary Design	Phase II Final Plans, Specifications and Estimates	Phase III Construction
Completed	Underway	Not started

PROJECT LOCATION MAP

