Overview of the Chicago to St. Louis Corridor
What Are We Building?

- Joint use corridor
  - UPRR/IDOT/Amtrak
- Largely single track railroad
- Maximum speed 110mph
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FRA – HSR Project 2A
- New 2 ML
- Siding Re-Const.

State Funded
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Mainline Track Rehabilitation

**Before → After**

- Milepost 156.77
- Milepost 118.12
## Benefits Summary

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<th>FRA Program</th>
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<td><strong>HSR daily round trips (five existing 79 mph)</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Travel time reduction</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Reliability</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Safety improvements (crossings, fencing, PTC)</strong></td>
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Schedule Highlights

» Significant construction now through 2016
» Goal: 110 mph operations over 75% of corridor by end 2015
» New cars/locos 2016
» Project completion in 2017
Crossings
I-ETMS + Illinois X-ITCS = PTC

» UPRR responsible for wayside infrastructure
  » PTC Communication System
  » X-ITCS Equipment at Crossings
  » Wayside Signal Equipment

» Amtrak handling on-board equipment and systems
  » I-ETMS / X-ITCS requires on-board locomotive equipment
  » Lead Time for retrofit
  » Amtrak and UP responsible for their own equipment

» IDOT program team coordinates and provides funding
Crossing Close-up

- Completed diagnostics at over 250 locations
- Extensive liaison with IDOT Highways, local agencies, ICC, FRA, and others
Past Experience in Illinois

- Crossing Systems build on past experiences
  - Prior four quad gate systems
Crossing System Details

- ICC Regulates Crossing Equipment and is a stakeholder in the process
  - Same warning systems to be used for all crossing types other than farm access.
  - Farm crossing warning vetted with Illinois Farm Bureau (The Statewide Farm Association) and will operate in line with the specific use of those crossings.
  - Fencing to channel pedestrian use is a component of all crossings with pedestrian components. Included are safety exit systems that meet Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).
Crossing System Types

- Four Quad System for all applications – with or without Ped systems outside of Farm Access.
Warning systems at all applications enhanced over the original four quad installations to include updates to ITCS functions and lessons learned. Crossings will be interactive with oncoming train movements.
Crossing Fencing

- Fence systems – as a part of the overall Right of Way Fence system – are used to channel pedestrian users to the designated safe crossing points.
Questions