

Third Street Corridor

The Third Street corridor will serve Amtrak passenger and Union Pacific freight rail traffic until construction of the Tenth Street corridor is completed. To meet current safety standards for higher speed trains, Third Street is being upgraded by IDOT to include new fencing, crossing safety devices, grade crossing approaches, and bridge replacements. Construction of this corridor is currently on hold. Please visit the Illinois High-Speed Rail website at www.IDOTHSR.org for project information.

Springfield Flyover

The Springfield Flyover project is part of the Chicago to St. Louis High Speed Rail Program currently underway in the City of Springfield. The Flyover will help relieve rail traffic congestion on the Union Pacific/Amtrak and Norfolk Southern corridors. This project is located between Stanford Avenue and I-72 along the existing Union Pacific (Amtrak) line located west of the Southern View neighborhood. It includes a new track alignment and railway flyover to separate the Union Pacific/Amtrak operations from the Norfolk Southern operations. IDOT is currently funding a detailed environmental study and alternatives analysis of the Springfield Flyover project. The project's next steps include hosting a Public Informational Meeting, determining a preferred alternative, and drafting the Environmental Assessment. However, there is no funding currently available to purchase property or construct the Springfield Flyover project.