



TDD Steering Committee Quarterly Update

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TEAM
INTRODUCTIONS

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Agenda

- **Welcome and Introductions**
- **Election of Chairperson**
- **Approval of Minutes from November 15, 2023**
- **RDA Update on Rail Projects**
- **TDD Boundaries Update**
- **TOD Planning Update**
- **Next steps and questions**
- **Adjourn**



Update on the Rail Investment (as of January 2024)

Development of the new rail lines and stations is progressing at a steady pace.

West Lake Corridor

9-mile extension of existing SSL service between Dyer and Hammond, includes four new stations, a maintenance and storage facility, refurbishment of 32 rail cars, and construction of 2,322 parking spaces.

Utilizing Design-Build contracting structure, contractor tasked with completing design elements before beginning construction of them.

Design is 92% complete; design of smaller civil works, train operating systems and one major bridge remain in progress.

Current construction is focused on rail bed, utility relocation, bridges, station areas and retaining walls.

Construction is 62% complete.

An extended period of testing and commissioning is required between construction completion and Revenue Service.

The NICTD team is focused on when the trains will be running. Revenue Service Date of May 1, 2025, is NICTD's current target. The FTA grant commitment is May 20, 2026.

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Double Track

25-mile project area, includes 16 miles of new second track, the closing of 20 grade-level crossings in Michigan City, and the elimination of “street running” in Michigan City.

Overall Construction is 90% complete.

DT1 (Main rail project): Contract is 97% complete. Remaining work focused on overhead catenary system. Systems testing has begun west of Dune Park. Service from Dune Park to Gary Metro is expected to resume in April.

DT2 (MC 11th Street Station): The TOD developer encountered an underground sewer and is relocating it, once complete work on the parking garage will resume.

DT3 (Gary Miller Station): Contract is 97% complete. Work remains on vestibule. Other parts of station are undergoing final testing and inspections.

DT4 (Portage/Ogden Dunes Parking Lot) and DT5 (Dune Park East Parking Lot): Projects are complete.

DT6 (Positive Train Control): Contract is 82% complete. Coordination continues with DT1 contractor.

Revenue Service Date of May 15, 2024, is NICTD’s current target. The FTA grant commitment is November 6, 2024.



TDD Boundaries

Update

Remaining TDDs

- Valparaiso, Beverly Shores/Pines and South Bend (meetings scheduled with each unit to kick off work)
- Q1 2024 – Initial Site Tour and Work Session (*Valpo already complete*)
- Q2 2024 – Public Engagement Sessions and Boundary Edits
- Q3 2024 – RDA Public Hearings
- Q4 2024 – State Budget Committee Approval





TOD Implementation Planning

Update

TOD Implementation

- RDA Strategic Planning Process - Launched
- New Mayor, Council, and Staff Orientation – Ongoing (as requested)
- Individual community technical support to support TOD – Ongoing
- Development Interest – Ongoing
- TDD MOA Meetings – Upcoming





Next Steps & Questions

Next Meeting: May 15, 2024