

# **Bus Routing** Restorations and Other

**Effective** 

**Service Changes** 

October 20, 2013

The five-month Red Line South Reconstruction Project (RSR) to rebuild CTA's south 10.2-mile Red Line from just north of Cermak-Chinatown to 95th/Dan Ryan has been completed, delivering a brand new railroad with faster travel times and a more comfortable ride. The \$425 million project provided a brand new track system, including new rails, rail ties, and ballast (the stone material along the tracks).

# Shortest project duration

Project completed in 5 months vs. 4 years of weekend-only work, resulting in quicker trips and more frequent trains on the south Red Linesooner.

Faster travel times by eliminating slow zones New tracks will result in up to a 20 minute faster commute between 95th/Dan Rvan and Roosevelt.

Better reliability, with reduced potential for south Red Line delays and service issues.

#### Lowest cost

\$75 million in project savings reinvested into local transit improvements to south Red Line stations. includina:

- new elevators at Garfield, 63rd, and 87th Red Line stations, making these stations fully accessible - all 'L' stations south of Roosevelt Road now accessible to customers with disabilities.
- station improvements to eight stations including painting, lighting repairs and other upgrades.

Lower operating and maintenance costs

The special discounted fifty cent (50¢) fare that was offered on buses south of 63rd Street as a convenience during the RSR Project will be discontinued. Normal bus fares will apply effective Sunday, October 20, 2013.

## Affected routes with discounted fare south of 63rd Street:

#3 King Drive, #4 Cottage Grove, #N5 South Shore Night Bus. #6 Jackson Park Express, #8 Halsted, #9 Ashland, #J14 Jeffery Jump, #15 Jeffery Local, #24 Wentworth, #26 South Shore Express, #28 Stony Island, #29 State, #44 Wallace/Racine, #48 South Damen, #49 Western, #71 71st/South Shore, #94 South California, #52A South Kedzie, #53A South Pulaski

# Affected routes with discounted fare along entire route:

#8A South Halsted, #30 South Chicago, #34 South Michigan, #67 67th/69th/71st. #75 74th/75th, #79 79th, #87 87th. #95E 93rd/95th, #95W West 95th. #100 Jeffery Manor Express. #103 West 103rd, #106 East 103rd, #108 Halsted/95th, #111 111th/King Drive, #111A Pullman Shuttle, #112 Vincennes/111th, #115 Pullman/115th, #119 Michigan/119th

In addition, the free rail entry at the Garfield elevated station will be discontinued. Normal rail fares will apply for entry at the Garfield elevated station effective Sunday, October 20, 2013.

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# **Bus Routing Restorations**

The completion of the Project will result in the reopening of the Dan Ryan branch of the Red Line and the following bus routing restorations effective Sunday, October 20:

#N5 South Shore Night Bus & #71 71st/South Shore
Buses will return to their normal routing, resuming
service to the 69th Red Line station. Buses will no
longer serve the Garfield elevated station.

### #8A South Halsted

Buses will return to their normal routing, resuming service to the 79th Red Line station via Halsted and 79th, ending their trips at 79th/Perry. Buses will no longer serve the Halsted/63rd station. The #8 Halsted will continue to operate on Halsted north of 79th Street.

### • #39 Pershing

Buses will return to their normal routing, resuming service to the Sox-35 Red Line station via LaSalle, 35th, and Wentworth.

#### • #43 43rd

Buses will return to their normal routing, resuming service to the 47th Red Line station via Wentworth, 47th, and LaSalle.

#### • #44 Wallace-Racine

Buses will return to their normal routing on Racine. Buses will no longer serve the Ashland/63rd station.

#### • #48 South Damen

#48 buses will return to their normal routing on Damen. Buses will no longer serve the Ashland/63rd station.

#### • #51 51st

Buses will resume service to the 47th Red Line station, ending their trips at the Dan Ryan 'L'. Buses will no longer serve the 51st station.

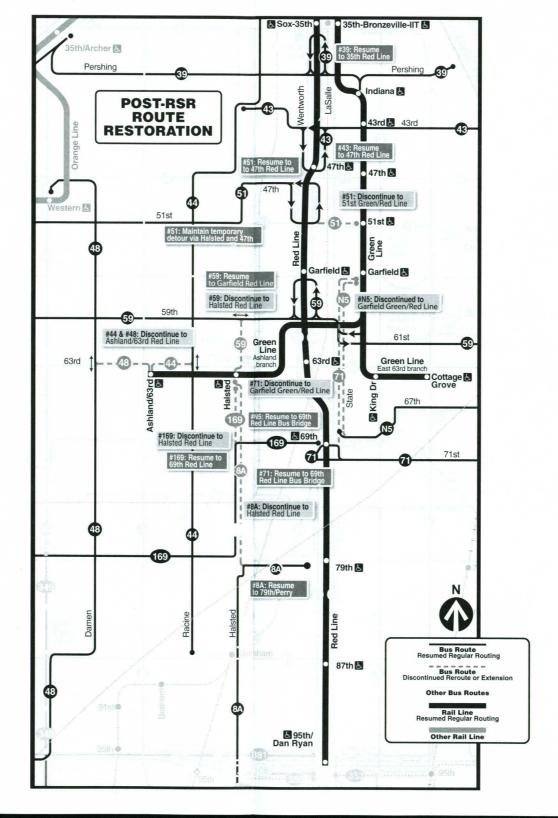
Note: #51 buses will be rerouted via 51st, Halsted, and 47th due to water main work.

#### • #59 59th/61st

Buses will return to their normal routing, resuming service to the Garfield Red Line station via Wentworth, Garfield Blvd., and Wells. Buses will no longer serve the Halsted/63rd station.

#### #169 69th–UPS Express

Buses will return to their normal routing, resuming service to the 69th Red Line station via Halsted and 69th. Buses will no longer serve the Halsted/63rd station.



# **Other Service Related Changes**

Express Bus Shuttles Discontinued

The eight express bus shuttles provided to connect customers with Red and Green line services during the RSR Project will be discontinued. Please use the reopened, improved Red Line instead.

#R22 Cermak-Roosevelt Express Shuttle #R69 69th-Garfield Express Shuttle #R39 Pershing Shuttle #R87 87th-Garfield Express Shuttle #R55 Dan Ryan Owl Shuttle #R79 79th-Garfield Express Shuttle #R63 Dan Ryan Local Shuttle #R95 95th-Garfield Express Shuttle

## Extra Service on North-South Bus Routes Discontinued

Extra service that was added to the following nine north-south bus routes that parallel the Red Line to support the additional ridership during the project will be discontinued with the reopening of the Dan Ryan 'L'. Please use the reopened, improved Red Line instead.

#3 King Drive #4 Cottage Grove #8 Halsted #8A South Halsted #9 Ashland #J14 Jeffery Jump #24 Wentworth\* #26 South Shore Express #29 State

\* #24 will also return to the same hours of service as before the project started – weekdays, 79th/Vincennes north to Downtown: 5:05am-7:25pm; Downtown south to 79th/Vincennes: 6am-8:25pm