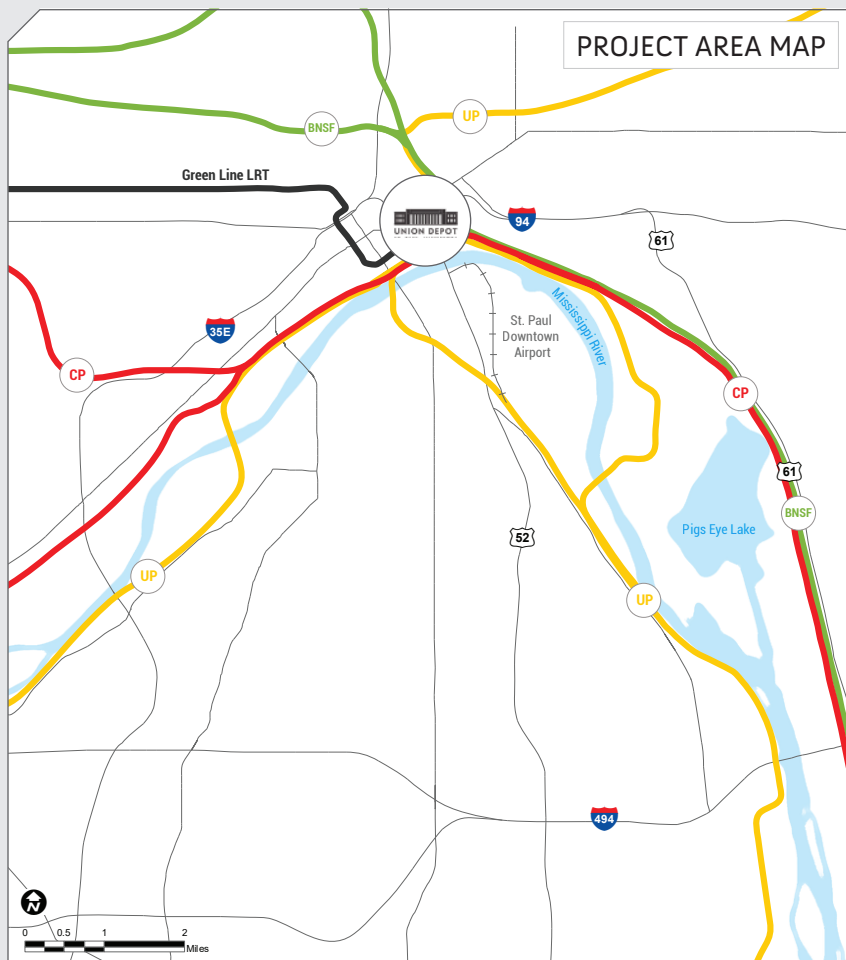


EAST METRO RAIL

YARDS IMPROVEMENT PROJECT



WHERE IS THE PROJECT?

The **East Metro Rail Yards Improvement Project** is located in Saint Paul, just south and east of Union Depot. The study area extends from Union Depot southeast to approximately I-494. This area includes freight track and rail yards owned by BNSF Railway, Canadian Pacific Railway, and Union Pacific Railroad. These three national rail lines converge at Union Depot.

WHAT IS THE NEED?

This area moves 7,500 rail cars and two Amtrak passenger trains daily. Slow track speeds, congestion at rail yards, manual operations causing stopping and blockages, and limited rerouting opportunities are causing delay and conflicting train movements. This translates to materials and goods taking longer to reach customers, and loss of time and money for manufacturers and shippers.

Ramsey County and project partners are recommending a system of improvements to:

- » Reduce train delay
- » Supply efficient routing
- » Provide flexibility to handle existing freight and passenger trains
- » Maintain capacity for growth.

See what is proposed



DID YOU KNOW?



The East Metro area moves **7,500** rail cars per day, accommodating **5%** of the total national freight rail volume **every day**.



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Ramsey County will continue to work with partners to secure funding for these improvements. Once funding is received, environmental documentation and final engineering will be completed to meet all requirements for construction.



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