

B6

McCook Connection

Location

McCook, IL

Daily Trains Affected

76 Freight Trains (CSX/BNSF)
6 Metra trains (Heritage Corridor)
10 Amtrak trains (Lincoln and Texas Eagle
Service)

Scope of Work

Constructed a second connecting track between BNSF and Indiana Harbor Belt/CSX and extended the existing connecting track an additional 7,000 feet. Added signalization to improve visibility.

Benefits

Improving the current connection has increased maximum speeds to 25 mph from 10 mph and increased capacity of this segment. Improved freight train movement has reduced conflict with passenger trains along the Heritage Corridor.

Communities Benefited:

McCook, IL

Project Status

Project Completed December 2009



First train on new McCook Connection

