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## **DURBIN, DUCKWORTH ANNOUNCE FUNDING FOR 12 RAIL CORRIDORS IN ILLINOIS**

WASHINGTON – U.S. Senate Majority Whip Dick Durbin (D-IL) and U.S. Senator Tammy Duckworth (D-IL) today announced the U.S. Department of Transportation’s Federal Railroad Administration has selected 12 rail corridors in Illinois to each receive \$500,000 for expansions and renovations through the new Corridor Identification and Development (CID) Program, which was established under the *Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act*.

**“Rail corridors serve as vital lifelines, weaving through the very heart of our state and connecting our residents with unparalleled convenience,”** said Durbin. **“This funding will put us on a path toward a better-connected Illinois, fostering economic growth, enhancing accessibility, and ensuring a brighter, more interconnected future for all Illinoisans.”**

**“Connecting Illinoisans by rail allows families to commute to work, visit loved ones and explore our great state with more ease and reliability,”** said Duckworth. **“Along with greater options for transportation, these federal resources—authorized through the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law—will help provide good-paying, local jobs as Illinoisans plan for and eventually build out these corridor expansions.”**

The following Corridors will receive funding:

- Peoria to Chicago Passenger Rail Service
- Chicago to Quad Cities Service Extension Program
- Chicago to Carbondale Corridor
- Chicago to St. Louis Corridor
- Hannibal Extension of Existing Chicago-Quincy Corridor
- North Coast Hiawatha
- Chicago to Grand Rapids Corridor
- Wolverine Corridor
- Daily Cardinal Service
- Milwaukee to Chicago Hiawatha Service Expansion
- Indianapolis - Chicago Corridor
- Chicago to Port Huron Corridor

The purpose of the CID Program is to develop a comprehensive intercity passenger rail planning and development program that will help guide rail development throughout the country and create a pipeline of passenger projects ready for implementation.