



DATE: June 1, 2026

FROM: Chicago Transit Authority (CTA)

TO: Federal Transit Administration (FTA), Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP), State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO), Historic Preservation Division of the City of Chicago's Department of Planning and Development, other Section 106 Consulting Parties

REGARDING: Red-Purple Bypass Project Memorandum of Agreement

SUBJECT: Final Annual Summary Report

Reference is made to the Memorandum of Agreement among the FTA, ACHP, SHPO (formerly IHPA), and City of Chicago regarding the Red-Purple Bypass (RPB) Project, City of Chicago, Cook County, Illinois dated September 28, 2015 (the "MOA"; capitalized terms used herein but not defined have the meanings set forth in the MOA). This notice is provided pursuant to Article III of the MOA. Updates are provided for Stipulations under Article I Treatment Measures. There are no updates to report on any other Article at this time. The signed MOA is available in Attachment C of the Finding of No Significant Impact for the Red-Purple Bypass Project published on October 29, 2015 and available for download under the Environmental Assessment section of the RPB Project webpage at <https://www.transitchicago.com/rpm/rpb/>

I. TREATMENT MEASURES

A. Elevated Track Structure

1. *This treatment measure is complete. See the 2019 RPB MOA Annual Report for details.*
2. The historic exhibit deliverables prepared by TYLin (panels, specifications, and drawings) for Belmont were finalized in October 2018 (see 2019 RPB MOA Annual Report for details). In February 2022 the Design-Build Contractor (DBC) provided design plans to the CTA which incorporated the previous exhibit deliverables. The design plans were finalized and issued for construction. The structural steel element was removed by the design build contractor in March 2022 and was abated, cleaned and repainted with a historically matching paint color. Workers reinstalled the structural element on a new foundation and added an informational placard. The exhibit was opened to the public May 14, 2026. As such, CTA considers this treatment measure complete.
3. *This treatment measure is complete. See the 2019 RPB MOA Annual Report for details.*

B. Vautravers Building and Newport Avenue District

1. *This treatment measure is now complete. See the 2022 RPB MOA Annual Report for details.*
2. *This treatment measure is now complete. See the 2021 RPB MOA Annual Report for details.*
3. *As FTA and CTA have determined the relocation of the Vautravers Building as a viable option and prudent expenditure, CTA will implement Stipulations I.B.3.i-iii. as follows:*
 - i. *This treatment measure is complete. See the 2022 RPB MOA Annual Report.*
 - ii. *This treatment measure is complete. See the 2020 RPB MOA Annual Report.*
 - iii. *This treatment measure is complete. See the 2025 RPB MOA Annual Report.*
4. *This treatment measure is complete. See the 2022 RPB MOA Annual Report.*

The RPB portion of the project is approaching final completion. As CTA considers all MOA treatment measures complete, this serves as CTA's final Annual Summary Report for the RPB MOA. CTA appreciates your partnership throughout this project. If you have any questions, please contact the project email at rpm@transitchicago.com.

Best regards,

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