



# Board of Commissioners of Cook County

118 North Clark Street  
Chicago, IL

## Legislation Details (With Text)

**File #:** 26-0347      **Version:** 1      **Name:** Agreement with BNSF for West Cook Rail Safety Project  
**Type:** Agreement (Highway)      **Status:** Approved  
**File created:** 12/8/2025      **In control:** Transportation Committee  
**On agenda:** 1/15/2026      **Final action:** 2/5/2026  
**Title:** PROPOSED AGREEMENT (TRANSPORTATION AND HIGHWAYS)

Department: Transportation and Highways

Other Part(ies): BNSF Railway Company ("BNSF")

Request: Approval of Proposed Agreement

Goods or Services: Construction

Location: City of Berwyn, Villages of Riverside, Brookfield, La Grange, Illinois

Section Number: 24-WCRSI-00-RR

County Board District: 16, 17

Centerline Mileage: N/A

Agreement Period: One-time Agreement

Agreement Number(s): N/A

Fiscal Impact: \$3,000,000.00 (\$2,888,000.00 to be reimbursed From the Federal Railroad Administration)

Accounts: Motor Fuel Tax Fund: 11300.1500.29150.521536 (\$3,000,000.00)

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**Sponsors:** FRANK J. AGUILAR

**Indexes:** JENNIFER (SIS) KILLEN, Superintendent, Department of Transportation and Highways

**Code sections:**

**Attachments:**

Date	Ver.	Action By	Action	Result
2/5/2026	1	Board of Commissioners	approve	Pass
2/4/2026	1	Transportation Committee	recommend for approval	Pass

1/15/2026 1 Board of Commissioners refer Pass

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