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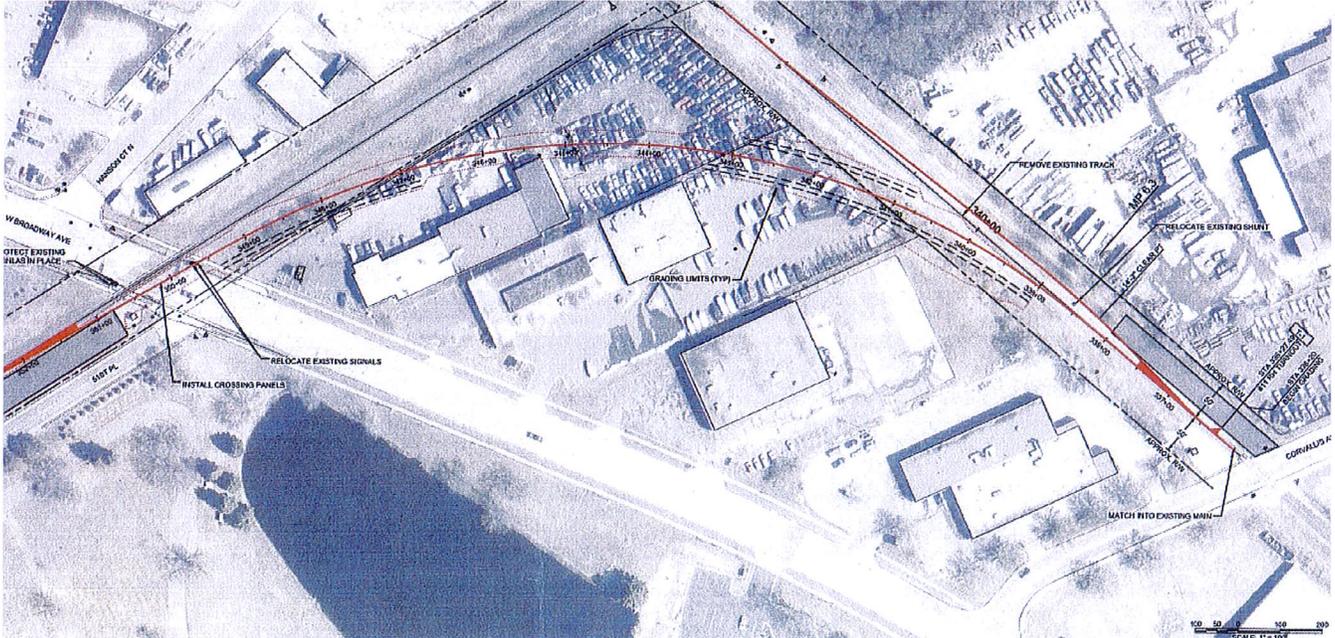
**COMMUNITY OPEN HOUSE ABOUT THE
PROPOSED FREIGHT RAIL CONNECTION**

Saturday, March 7, 2015

9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

**Crystal Community Center
4800 Douglas Drive North**

You may have heard about a proposal from the Burlington Northern Santa Fe railway (BNSF) to build a connection to the Canadian Pacific railway (CP) through private business properties located at 5140, 5160 and 5170 West Broadway in Crystal:



BNSF has said that the connection would allow CP freight trains to go south on the BNSF line through Robbinsdale, Golden Valley, Theodore Wirth Park and Minneapolis.

The cities of Crystal, Robbinsdale and Golden Valley are holding this open house to share the latest information about this proposed connection. **Display boards and city staff will be available from 9-12 to answer your questions one-on-one, and at 11:00 there will be a presentation by local and state elected officials.** Railroads are federally regulated, so the cities will also provide tools to help you communicate any concerns to your federal representatives and the Surface Transportation Board in Washington D.C.

More information is available at www.crystalmn.gov under "What's Happening?"

We hope to see you at the open house at the CCC from 9-12 on Saturday March 7th.



Connection

CP Rail Line

The Cavanagh

Community Center

BNSF Line

Crystal PD & Fire

 At Grade Crossings

0 500 1000 Feet

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42nd Ave / Rockford Rd

HWY 100

Douglas Drive

West Broadway

Carvallis

81 1/2 Botineau Blvd

47th Ave

45 1/2 th Ave



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Official Media Statement

MARCH 7, 2015 COMMUNITY OPEN HOUSE PROPOSED FREIGHT RAIL CONNECTION

The cities of Crystal, Robbinsdale and Golden Valley are hosting an informational open house on the BNSF railway's proposed freight rail connection to the CP railway on Saturday, March 7, from 9:00 a.m. to noon. The open house will be at the Crystal Community Center, 4800 Douglas Drive North. The purpose of the open house is for the cities to share the latest information about the proposed connection with their residents and businesses. Display boards and City staff will be available from 9-12 to answer your questions one-on-one, and at 11:00 there will be a presentation by local and state elected officials. The cities will also provide tools to help residents and businesses communicate their concerns to their federal representatives and the Surface Transportation Board in Washington D.C. More information is available at www.crystalmn.gov under "What's Happening?"

About Crystal

The City of Crystal is a fully-developed, first tier suburban community just west of Minneapolis in Hennepin County. The city became a Home Rule Charter City in 1960 and currently has a population of nearly 23,000 residents. Crystal is characterized by an extensive park system, healthy residential neighborhoods, and commercial areas that provide for the needs of a diverse population. Residents enjoy convenient shopping at Target and the Crystal Shopping Center as well as the amenities at the Crystal Cove Aquatic Center and Bassett Creek Park.