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CHICAGO WEEK AHEAD SECURITY BRIEF: VETERANS DAY WEEK, NOVEMBER 9–15, 2026

An open-source read on how scheduled events, closures, weather, aviation and police notices constrain movement across the Chicago metropolitan region from Monday 9 to Sunday 15 November.

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KEY FACTS, AT A GLANCE

RATING

Moderate. The week's constraints are daily paving closures of South Western Avenue from 09:30 to 14:30, film closures of West Lake Street and of Wallace and 37th Streets on Veterans Day, rain showers likely on Thursday 12 with north winds of 20 to 25 mph, shuttle buses in place of Blue Line trains between Jefferson Park and Harlem from Friday 13 at 22:00 to Monday 16 at 04:00 CST, five United Center events, two of them Bulls games from one secondary source, and two Wintrust Arena events, and the Back of the Yards 5K closures on Sunday 15.[1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9] The paving, film, Columbus Drive bridge and Blue Line notices print their hours, the paving and bridge permits print detours and CTA prints shuttle buses for the Blue Line; the 5K permit prints its date and streets but no hours.[1, 2, 4, 9] Sunday 15 alone is rated High: the 5K permit removes S Ashland Avenue, W 47th Street and S Racine Avenue with no hours printed while the Pershing Road bridge is closed with no detour printed.[9, 1]

WORST WINDOW

Friday 13 evening, United Center and Wintrust Arena. The Bulls host Atlanta at the United Center (secondary, single source; tip-off time not stated) and the Cash Money & No Limit Tour plays Wintrust Arena at 20:00 CST, 3.35 miles apart, so the two events fall in the same evening.[7, 8, 10] From 22:00 CST shuttle buses replace Blue Line trains between Jefferson Park and Harlem on the O'Hare branch, and from 19:00 CST N Fairbanks Court is fully closed for crane lifts.[4, 1, 11]

ROUTE REMOVED

Blue Line, Jefferson Park to Harlem (O'Hare branch), Friday 13, from 22:00, rail service replaced by shuttle buses for planned work, to 04:00 CST Monday 16.[4] On Wednesday 11 West Lake Street is fully closed from Western Avenue to California Avenue from 09:00 to 13:00 CST for filming, with intermittent traffic control on five side streets.[2]

AIR TRAVEL

No ground stop, ground delay program or closure at O'Hare or Midway in the FAA airport-status file at its 03:35 CST update on Monday 9.[12] No temporary flight restriction carries an Illinois entry or the Chicago Center facility code.[13] The FAA order limiting

scheduled operations at O'Hare during airfield construction has been in force since 25 October and runs to 30 October 2027.[14] Thursday 12 carries the window's strongest forecast winds, north 20 to 25 mph, with rain showers likely.[3]

WEATHER

Highs 59 on Monday and Tuesday, 54 on Wednesday, 46 on Thursday, 44 on Friday, 48 on Saturday and 52 on Sunday. Rain showers are possible from noon on Wednesday, at 40 percent, and likely on Thursday, at 66 percent, with north winds of 20 to 25 mph; the forecaster expects a multi-day period of lake effect showers into portions of the area after Thursday, and whether the bands reach northeast Illinois or stay largely over northwest Indiana depends on the low-level flow; snow is likely to mix in at times.[3, 15] No NWS watch, warning or advisory at the Loop forecast point at 11:45 CST on Monday 9, and none listed for Lake Michigan in the 11:29 CST forecast discussion.[16, 15]

CPD ALERTS

27 pattern alerts published in 30 days, 10 October to 8 November. None had been published inside the window when the feed was read at 03:35 CST on Monday 9. Section 05 lists each as its feed title reads.[17]

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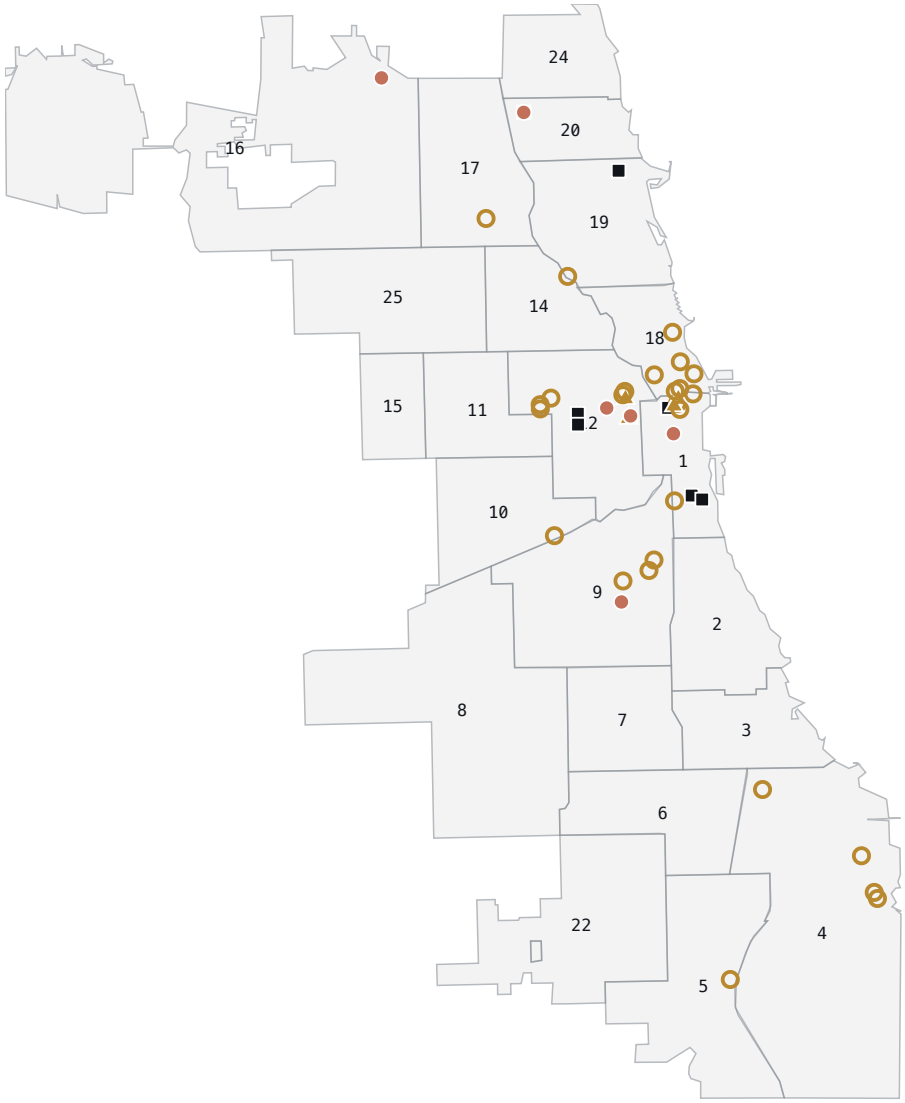
Season over for the Cubs, eliminated in the NL Wild Card Series on 30 September, and for the White Sox, eliminated in the AL Division Series on 10 October.[18] No Bears game falls in the window; the next home game is Sunday 22 November at 12:00 CST.[19] The Soldier Field event list shows nothing before 19 November.[20] No Live Nation event at Allstate Arena in the window; its next listed event is 21 November.[21] The Chicago Fire's regular season ended on 7 November and the MLS Cup Playoffs begin after the window.[22] No NWS watch, warning or advisory is in effect at the Loop forecast point, and the 11:29 CST forecast discussion lists none for Lake Michigan.[16, 15]

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01 Districts and what lands in them

MAP

The layers show full street closures from City permits and the located venues, gatherings and works listed in sections 03, 04 and 06. The Closures column counts distinct full-closure permits with a row in the district at any point in the window; most are utility and construction openings in the public way.[1, 10]



The closures layer draws the 574 permits holding a full street closure active 9 to 15 November 2026. The combined layer places every venue, festival, gathering and closure item located in this edition. Verified venues sit at their own checked position, addresses at the US Census point, and permitted events and closures on the coordinates their permit rows carry. Film closures sit at the US Census point for the block named.

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Every district, the same facts as text

DISTRICT	CPD NAME	NEIGHBORHOODS	CLOSURES	LOCATED ITEMS
1st	**Central**	The Loop, South Loop, Printers Row, Dearborn Park, Grant Park and the Museum Campus	8	City Hall, 121 N LaSalle St (budget hearings Mon 9 and Tue 10; committee hearings Thu 12 and Fri 13); State Street and Lake Street closures at State/Lake (all week); Columbus Dr bridge, 350–430 N (Tue 10); Vietnam Veterans Memorial, 24 E Wacker Dr (Wed 11); Federal Plaza, 100 S Dearborn St (Sat 14); crane in Holden Ct, 35–49 N (Sat 14 to Sun 15); Wintrust Arena, 200 E Cermak Rd (Fri 13, Sat 14); McCormick Place, 2301 S King Dr (from Sat 14); block-party closure, W 23rd St (Mon 9); SLFM Printers Row, S Federal St (Sat 14, curb lane)
2nd	**Wentworth**	Bronzeville, Grand Boulevard, Washington Park, Fuller Park	14	None
3rd	**Grand Crossing**	South Shore, Greater Grand Crossing, Woodlawn, Jackson Park	15	None
4th	**South Chicago**	South Chicago, the East Side, Hegewisch, South Deering, Jeffery Manor	63	E 100th St, Ewing Ave to Avenue J (all week); Avenue L, 99th to 100th (all week); 92nd St bascule bridge, S Ewing Ave (all week); E 79th St, ComEd Bridge 22 (weekend closure from Fri 13)
5th	**Calumet**	Roseland, Pullman, West Pullman, Riverdale	60	Doty Ave (west leg), 115th to 130th (all week)
6th	**Gresham**	Auburn Gresham, Chatham, Gresham	60	None
7th	**Englewood**	Englewood, West Englewood	18	None

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DISTRICT	CPD NAME	NEIGHBORHOODS	CLOSURES	LOCATED ITEMS
8th	**Chicago Lawn**	Chicago Lawn, Marquette Park, West Lawn, Ashburn, Garfield Ridge, Clearing	71	None
9th	**Deering**	Bridgeport, Canaryville, Back of the Yards, McKinley Park, Armour Square	33	35th St at Parnell Ave (all week); Pershing Rd bridge, Ashland to Morgan (to Tue 17); film closures of Wallace St and W 37th St (Wed 11); Back of the Yards 5K on W 43rd St, W 47th St, S Morgan St, S Racine Ave, S Ashland Ave and W Exchange Ave (Sun 15)
10th	**Ogden**	Little Village (South Lawndale), the south end of North Lawndale, Heart of Chicago	14	S Western Ave paving, 3025–3500 S (all week)
11th	**Harrison**	East and West Garfield Park, and the south end of Humboldt Park	14	None
12th	**Near West**	West Loop, Fulton Market, Greektown, Little Italy, University Village, Pilsen and the Illinois Medical District	32	United Center, 1901 W Madison St (Mon 9, Wed 11, Thu 12, Fri 13, Sat 14); Malcolm X College, 1900 W Jackson Blvd (Thu 12); Mary Bartelme Park, 115 S Sangamon St, and 309 N Morgan St (Wed 11); W Lake St film closure, Western to California, and W Washington Blvd film traffic control (Wed 11); Randolph Street Market, N Ada St (Fri 13 to Sun 15); Green City Market West Loop, W Monroe St (Sat 14); N Western Ave viaduct, Fulton to Hubbard (all week); block-party closure, N Morgan St (Tue 10); Victory & Vice tailgates season permit, W Carroll Ave
14th	**Shakespeare**	Logan Square, Wicker Park, Bucktown and the north end of Humboldt Park	14	None
15th	**Austin**	Austin	12	None

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DISTRICT	CPD NAME	NEIGHBORHOODS	CLOSURES	LOCATED ITEMS
16th	**Jefferson Park**	Jefferson Park, Norwood Park, Edison Park, Portage Park, Forest Glen, O'Hare	25	North Branch Winter Market, N Kinzua Ave, Devon to Leoti (Sat 14)
17th	**Albany Park**	Albany Park, Irving Park, Mayfair, North Park, part of Avondale	13	sewer main repair on W Waveland Ave and on N Central Park, Hamlin, St Louis, Drake and Christiana Aves (to 30 November)
18th	**Near North**	River North, the Gold Coast, Streeterville, Old Town and the Magnificent Mile	16	N Fairbanks Ct, Huron to Superior (Fri 13 to Mon 16); cranes on N Sedgwick St (Fri 13 to Sun 15) and E Delaware Pl (Sat 14); Lower Wabash Ave, Illinois to Hubbard (to Thu 12); crane at 23–27 W Kinzie St (Mon 9); film parking holds on W Burton Pl and N Dearborn Pkwy (Mon 9 to Tue 10)
19th	**Town Hall**	Lakeview, Wrigleyville, Northalsted, Roscoe Village, North Center, part of Lincoln Park	10	N Hoyne Ave and N Leavitt St, 2600 N block (to 2 December); 1011 W Wilson Ave (budget town hall, Thu 12)
20th	**Lincoln**	Lincoln Square, Ravenswood, Andersonville, Uptown, part of Edgewater	7	Japanese American Service Committee, 5700 N Lincoln Ave (Mon 9 meeting; Sat 14 festival)
22nd	**Morgan Park**	Morgan Park, Beverly, Mount Greenwood, Washington Heights	57	None
24th	**Rogers Park**	Rogers Park, West Ridge, part of Edgewater	9	None
25th	**Grand Central**	Belmont Cragin, Hermosa, Montclare, Dunning, part of Portage Park	14	None

A listed district is not a place to avoid.

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02 Week risk dashboard

8 DOMAINS

Ratings score constraint on movement, not danger.

DOMAIN	RATING	WHY
Overall travel	MODERATE	The constraints are daily paving closures of South Western Avenue, the Columbus Drive bridge closure on Tuesday 10, film closures on Wednesday 11, Thursday's rain and north winds, the Blue Line shuttle on the O'Hare branch from Friday 22:00 to Monday 16 at 04:00 CST, United Center and Wintrust Arena events on five days, and the Back of the Yards 5K on Sunday.[1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9] Rule: each is a predictable slow-down on a known day; the rail segment has substitute buses.
Street closures	MODERATE	11 special-event permits in the City's closures dataset touch the window: 6 festivals, 2 block parties, 1 athletic event and 2 farmers-market filings for one market. Special-event full-closure permits active each day number 3, 3, 2, 2, 2, 4 and 4 from Monday to Sunday, counting Green City Market West Loop, a farmers market filed as a festival, and leaving out the farmers-market sidewalk filings; all full-closure permits of every type active each day number 552, 523, 518, 518, 515, 501 and 495.[9, 1] Through streets closed are S Western Avenue, one direction at a time, daily from 09:30 to 14:30; the Columbus Drive bridge on Tuesday 10 from 09:30 to 14:30; W Lake Street on Wednesday 11 from 09:00 to 13:00; the Pershing Road bridge to Tuesday 17; and S Ashland Avenue, W 47th Street and S Racine Avenue for the 5K on Sunday 15, on a permit that prints no hours.[1, 2, 9] Rule: closures with a defined end are Moderate; Sunday 15 is rated High because through routes are removed with no printed hours or detour.
Stadium and arena load	MODERATE	The United Center hosts five events: XG on Monday at 20:00, the Bulls on Wednesday and Friday (secondary, single source; tip-off time not stated), and the Blackhawks on Thursday at 19:00 and Saturday at 14:30 CST.[6, 7, 5] Wintrust Arena hosts shows on Friday at 20:00 and Saturday at 19:00 CST.[8] Soldier Field lists no event before 19 November, and the Cubs and White Sox seasons are over.[20, 18, 19] Rule: arena egress is a predictable slow-down with a defined end.
Air travel	MODERATE	Neither O'Hare nor Midway appears in any ground stop, ground delay program or closure list in the FAA file at 03:35 CST on Monday 9.[12] 55 temporary flight restrictions are listed nationally, 1 of them a VIP restriction, in Texas; none carries an Illinois state entry or the Chicago Center facility code.[13] The FAA's limit on scheduled operations at O'Hare has applied since 25 October.[14] Rule: a standing limit on scheduled operations with a printed end date is Moderate.

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DOMAIN	RATING	WHY
Ground transport	MODERATE	45 CTA alerts overlap the window, 22 of them planned reroutes, and none is flagged a major alert; 3 begin inside the window.[4] Shuttle buses replace Blue Line trains between Jefferson Park and Harlem on the O'Hare branch from Friday 22:00 to Monday 16 at 04:00 CST; #79 buses reroute via Greenwood, 76th and South Chicago from Friday 21:00 to Sunday 23:00; eastbound #35 buses reroute via Wallace and Pershing from Wednesday 06:00; elevators are out of service at Clark/Lake, Washington/Wabash, Jackson (Red Line), Cermak-Chinatown, Chicago (Brown and Purple) and Paulina.[4] Rule: reduced service with substitutes is Moderate.
CPD alerts	LOW	27 pattern alerts were published 10 October to 8 November; section 05 lists each as its feed title reads.[17] Rule: an alert describes past incidents and imposes no scheduled constraint on movement. Alert volume measures how often the Department publishes a notice.
Weather	MODERATE	Thursday 12 carries rain showers likely, at 66 percent by day and 63 percent at night, with north winds of 20 to 25 mph; Friday 13 carries a 54 percent chance of rain, and Wednesday 11 a 40 percent chance of showers after noon.[3] The forecaster expects a multi-day period of lake effect showers into portions of the area after Thursday; whether the bands drift west into northeast Illinois or remain largely over northwest Indiana depends on the low-level flow. Snow is likely to mix in at times, and accumulation is likely limited by warm ground.[15] Rule: a forecast period of rain and wind on known days is a predictable slow-down with a defined end.
Planned gatherings	MODERATE	Three street gatherings are announced: an antiwar Veterans Day ceremony at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial on Wacker Drive on Wednesday 11 at 11:00, a rally in the West Loop on Wednesday from 15:00, and a rally at Federal Plaza on Saturday 14 from 12:00 to 13:00 CST; each is a single-source listing and none prints a route or a size.[23], [24], [25] The Community Commission for Public Safety and Accountability meets at Malcolm X College on Thursday 12 at 18:30 CST to vote on nominating Police Superintendent candidates.[26] Rule: gatherings at fixed sites with printed start times are predictable slow-downs.

03 Monday through Sunday

7 DAYS

Reading the capacity figures. Every figure below is a **venue maximum**, not a ticket count, an attendance forecast or a prediction.

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Monday, November 9

59°
MOSTLY SUNNY
WEST-SOUTHWEST 5 TO 10 MPH, GUSTS AS HIGH AS 20 MPH AT NIGHT · 0%[3]

MODERATE

Budget hearings resume at City Hall at 09:30, the South Western Avenue paving closures begin at 09:30, and XG plays the United Center at 20:00 CST.[27, 1, 6]

- **City Hall, 121 N LaSalle St, 09:30 CST**: Committee on Budget and Government Operations, FY2027 hearings for the City Treasurer, Human Resources, Administrative Hearings, Procurement Services and the Board of Elections. End time not stated.[27, 28]
- **S Western Ave, 3025–3500 S, 09:30–14:30 CST**: full closure for paving, one direction of travel at a time, daily to Tuesday 17. Southbound detour via 31st, California and 35th; northbound via 35th, Damen and Cermak.[1]
- **E 100th St, Ewing Ave to Avenue J, from Monday**: a new full-closure permit for rail bridge reconstruction runs to 31 December.[1]
- **W Burton Pl and N Dearborn Pkwy, 1500 N block, 07:00–17:00 CST**: film parking holds, Monday and Tuesday.[2, 29]
- **N Fairbanks Ct, Erie to Superior, 19:00–03:00 CST**: nightly lane reduction for hospital construction, Monday to Friday. (single source)[11]
- **Japanese American Service Committee, 5700 N Lincoln Ave, 18:00 CST**: special multi-district meeting of CPD District Councils and the 20th District Council meeting. End time not stated.[30]
- **United Center, 1901 W Madison St, 20:00 CST**: XG World Tour: The Core in Chicago.[6]

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Tuesday, November 10 MODERATE

The last listed budget hearing, covering the Police Board, the Community Commission for Public Safety and Accountability, the Inspector General and the Law Department, opens at City Hall at 09:30, and the Columbus Drive bridge closes from 09:30 to 14:30 CST.[27, 28, 1]

59°
SUNNY
WEST-NORTHWEST 0 TO 5 MPH · 0%[3]

- **City Hall, 121 N LaSalle St, 09:30 CST**: budget hearing on oversight bodies and the Law Department: the License Appeal Commission, Police Board, Community Commission for Public Safety and Accountability, Board of Ethics, Office of the Inspector General and Department of Law. End time not stated.[27, 28]
- **Columbus Dr bridge, 350–430 N, 09:30–14:30 CST**: roadway and sidewalks closed for work on the bridge's center lock and north leaf. Northbound cars detour via Wacker, Michigan and Illinois; northbound trucks via Monroe, Michigan and Ohio; southbound traffic via Ontario, Michigan and Monroe.[1]
- **N Morgan St, 400–471 N**: block-party full closure.[9]
- **#26, #71 and #87, to 19:00 CST**: the reroutes via Commercial, 87th, Houston and 89th reach their printed end.[4]
- [Continuing: S Western Ave paving closure, 09:30–14:30 CST; film parking holds on W Burton Pl and N Dearborn Pkwy; Fairbanks Ct nightly lane reduction.][1, 2, 11]

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Wednesday, November 11

54°

MOSTLY CLOUDY, CHANCE OF RAIN SHOWERS AFTER NOON
EAST 0 TO 10 MPH, GUSTS AS HIGH AS 20 MPH · 40%[3]

MODERATE

Veterans Day: film closures of West Lake Street and of Wallace and 37th Streets by day, an antiwar ceremony at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial at 11:00 (single source), a West Loop rally from 15:00 (single source), rain showers possible from noon, and the Bulls at the United Center (secondary, single source).[31, 2, 23, 24, 3, 7]

- **Citywide**: Veterans Day, a federal holiday. No City Council committee meeting is scheduled.[31, 27]
- **#35 35th, from 06:00 CST**: eastbound buses run via 35th, Wallace, Pershing and LaSalle, and westbound via 35th, Wentworth, Pershing and Wallace, to 31 December.[4]
- **Wallace St, 36th to 38th, and W 37th St, Parnell to Lowe, 07:00–16:00 CST**: full closure for filming, with intermittent traffic control on 36th Street from Union to Parnell and on Wallace from 35th to 36th, and no parking from 20:00 Tuesday.[2]
- **W Lake St, Western Ave to California Ave, 09:00–13:00 CST**: full closure for filming, with intermittent traffic control on Talman, Maplewood, Washtenaw, Fairfield and Campbell.[2]
- **Vietnam Veterans Memorial, 24 E Wacker Dr (Riverwalk), 11:00 CST**: Antiwar Veterans Day Ceremony. End time, route and size not stated. (single source)[23]
- **Chicago region, from noon**: the forecaster expects a 30 to 50 percent chance of showers and does not rule out a few lightning strikes or small hail, with the better potential in central Illinois; thunder is not in the grid forecast.[15, 3]
- **Mary Bartelme Park, 115 S Sangamon St, from 15:00 CST, then 309 N Morgan St, 16:00 CST**: rally on technology in schools, with a press conference in front of Google's West Loop office, 0.48 mile north of the park. Size not stated. (single source)[24]
- **#47 47th, to 19:00 CST**: the reroute via 47th, Ashland, 51st and Damen reaches its printed end.[4]
- **W Washington Blvd, Western Ave to California Ave, 18:00–21:00 CST**: intermittent traffic control for a film stunt unit.[2]
- **United Center**: San Antonio Spurs at Chicago Bulls, NBA; tip-off time not stated (secondary, single source).[7]

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Thursday, November 12 MODERATE

The window's wettest and windiest day: rain showers likely with north winds of 20 to 25 mph, hearings at City Hall from 11:00, and in the evening the Commission meeting at Malcolm X College from 18:30 and the Blackhawks at the United Center at 19:00 CST, 0.3 mile apart.[3, 27, 26, 5, 10]

46°

MOSTLY CLOUDY, RAIN SHOWERS LIKELY
NORTH 20 TO 25 MPH · 66%[3]

- **City Hall, 121 N LaSalle St, 11:00–12:00 CST**: four public hearings on Special Service Areas 22, 26 and 73 and the Magnificent Mile Business Improvement District, with no vote to be taken.[27]
- **City Hall, Room 201A, 13:00 CST**: Committee on Police and Fire subject-matter hearing on funding for the Office of Victim Services, with public comment of up to three minutes per person.[27, 32]
- **Lower Wabash Ave, Illinois to Hubbard**: the closure of the southbound lanes reaches its printed end.[1]
- **Malcolm X College, 1900 W Jackson Blvd, 18:30 CST**: Community Commission for Public Safety and Accountability monthly meeting, with votes on its October minutes and on the "Nomination of candidates to fill vacancy of Chicago Police Superintendent", and a hearing on spree crimes. Speaker cards are taken from 18:00 to 18:30; public comment runs twenty minutes in total, with a random drawing if too many sign up. Remote attendance is offered. End time not stated.[26]
- **Uptown Baptist Church, 1011 W Wilson Ave, 18:30–20:00 CST**: budget town hall with the Mayor, as listed by the 33rd Ward. (single source)[33]
- **United Center, 19:00 CST**: Buffalo Sabres at Chicago Blackhawks, NHL.[5]
- **Chicago region**: the forecaster expects showers, "perhaps a few wet snowflakes" inland, and a multi-day period of lake effect showers into portions of the area, with the low-level flow, and so whether the bands reach northeast Illinois, not yet determined.[15]

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Friday, November 13 MODERATE

A 54 percent chance of rain, the Randolph Street Market closures from 05:00 as the permit's detail text gives them, the Fairbanks Court crane closure from 19:00, a show at Wintrust Arena at 20:00 and the Bulls at the United Center (secondary, single source), and from 22:00 shuttle buses in place of Blue Line trains between Jefferson Park and Harlem, the rail link to O'Hare, through Monday 16 at 04:00 CST.[3, 9, 11, 1, 8, 7, 4]

44°

MOSTLY CLOUDY, CHANCE OF RAIN
NORTH-NORTHWEST 15 MPH · 54%[3]

- **N Ada St, Randolph to Washington, from 05:00 CST**: full closure for the Randolph Street Market, with curb-lane closures on W Washington Blvd from Loomis to Ada and on the Randolph Street south service lane, to Sunday 15 at 22:00 CST. The permit's filed dates are 14 and 15 November; its detail text gives Friday 13 at 05:00.[9]
- **City Hall, 121 N LaSalle St, 12:30 CST**: Committee on Pedestrian and Traffic Safety.[27]
- **Shabbat**: candle lighting 16:13 CST.[34]
- **N Fairbanks Ct, Huron to Superior, from 19:00 CST**: full closure for crane lifts at the Northwestern Medicine campus, to early Monday 16; the permits run to 16 and 17 November. E Huron St lane closures, Fairbanks to St Clair, run from 19:00 to Saturday 18:00 CST. (hours single source)[1, 11]
- **N Sedgwick St, 700–721 N, to Sunday 15**: full closure for a 360-ton crane.[1]
- **United Center**: Atlanta Hawks at Chicago Bulls, NBA; tip-off time not stated (secondary, single source).[7]
- **Wintrust Arena, 200 E Cermak Rd, 20:00 CST**: Cash Money & No Limit Tour.[8]
- **#79 79th, from 21:00 CST**: buses run both ways via 79th, Greenwood, 76th and South Chicago, to Sunday 15 at 23:00 CST.[4]
- **E 79th St, 1461–1515 E, from 19:00 CST**: weekend full closure for the ComEd Bridge 22 replacement, to Monday 05:30 CST.[1]
- **Blue Line, Jefferson Park to Harlem (O'Hare branch), from 22:00 CST**: shuttle buses replace trains, to Monday 16 at 04:00 CST.[4]

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Saturday, November 14 MODERATE

The Blue Line runs on shuttle buses between Jefferson Park and Harlem all day; a bridge lift on the Chicago River at 09:00, a rally at Federal Plaza from 12:00, the Blackhawks at the United Center at 14:30 and a show at Wintrust Arena at 19:00 CST, with market closures in the West Loop and on the Far Northwest Side and crane closures downtown.[4, 35, 36, 25, 5, 8, 9, 1]

48°
MOSTLY SUNNY
NORTHWEST 5 TO 10 MPH · 9%[3]

- **E Huron St, 200 E block, 05:00–19:00 CST**: southernmost lane closed, northernmost lane open. (single source)[11]
- **W Monroe St, 900–932 W, 05:30–14:30 CST**: Green City Market West Loop, Saturday market under a season full-closure permit.[9]
- **E Delaware Pl, 44–143 E**: full closure for a 350-ton crane. **Holden Ct, 35–49 N**: crane in the alley, Saturday and Sunday.[1]
- **Chicago River bridges, 09:00 CST**: the last fall bridge lift for the boat run, with bridges raised in succession from DuSable Lake Shore Drive to the 18th Street bridge on the South Branch.[35, 36]
- **Japanese American Service Committee, 5700 N Lincoln Ave, 10:00–16:00 CST**: Holiday Delight and Kodomo Matsuri community festival. No closure stated. (single source)[37]
- **Federal Plaza, 100 S Dearborn St, 12:00–13:00 CST**: “March For An AI Treaty: Chicago”, a rally with speeches from 12:30; the organiser’s description also gives “12pm ET”, which is 11:00 CST. Route and size not stated. (single source)[25]
- **McCormick Place, 2301 S King Dr**: Chi Town Challenge in the South and North Buildings, Saturday to Monday 16.[38]
- **United Center, 14:30 CST**: Winnipeg Jets at Chicago Blackhawks, NHL.[5]
- **N Kinzua Ave, Devon to Leoti, 15:00–20:00 CST**: full closure for the North Branch Winter Market, a one-time holiday market.[9]
- **Shabbat ends**: havdalah 17:15 CST.[34]
- **Wintrust Arena, 19:00 CST**: Ali Siddiq: The Custom Fit Tour.[8]
- [Continuing: Blue Line shuttle buses between Jefferson Park and Harlem; N Ada St closure for the Randolph Street Market; N Fairbanks Ct and N Sedgwick St closures; #79 reroute; E 79th St weekend closure.][4, 9, 1]

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Sunday, November 15 HIGH

The Back of the Yards 5K closes South Ashland Avenue, West 47th Street and South Racine Avenue on a permit that prints no hours, the Randolph Street Market closures run to 22:00, and the Blue Line shuttle continues on the O'Hare branch.[9, 4]

52°
SUNNY
WEST–SOUTHWEST 5 MPH · 1%[3]

- **Back of the Yards**: Back of the Yards 5K, a community event, under a full-closure permit on W 43rd St (1000–1600 W), W 47th St (1200–1600 W), S Morgan St (4140–4300 S), S Racine Ave (4140–4700 S), S Ashland Ave (4300–4700 S) and W Exchange Ave (800–1140 W). The permit prints no hours. The Pershing Road bridge, Ashland to Morgan, is closed to Tuesday 17.[9, 1]
- **N Ada St, Randolph to Washington, to 22:00 CST**: the Randolph Street Market closures reach their printed end.[9]
- **McCormick Place**: Chi Town Challenge continues.[38]
- **#79 79th, to 23:00 CST**: the reroute reaches its printed end.[4]
- [Continuing: Blue Line shuttle buses between Jefferson Park and Harlem to Monday 16, 04:00 CST; N Fairbanks Ct closure to early Monday 16; Holden Ct and N Sedgwick St crane closures; E 79th St weekend closure.][4, 11, 1]

Friday 13 evening most constrains movement across the week. The Bulls play the United Center (secondary, single source; tip-off time not stated), Wintrust Arena opens a show at 20:00 CST and, from 22:00 CST, shuttle buses replace Blue Line trains between Jefferson Park and Harlem, the rail link to O'Hare.[7, 8, 4] Thursday 12 follows: rain showers are likely all day with north winds of 20 to 25 mph, and the Commission meeting at Malcolm X College at 18:30 and the Blackhawks at 19:00 CST bring two evening events 0.3 mile apart on the Near West Side.[3, 26, 5, 10] Sunday 15 is the one day rated High: the Back of the Yards 5K removes S Ashland Avenue, W 47th Street and S Racine Avenue on a permit that prints no hours, while the Pershing Road bridge stays closed with no detour printed.[9, 1]

04 Street closures

11 SPECIAL-EVENT PERMITS IN THE CLOSURES DATASET

11 special-event permits in the City's closures dataset touch the window: 6 festivals, 2 block parties, 1 athletic event and 2 farmers-market filings for one market; 6 have a single street row spanning under 100 address numbers.[9] Event closures remove a through route on Sunday 15, when the Back of the Yards 5K holds S Ashland Avenue, W 47th Street, S Racine Avenue and three other streets on a permit that prints no hours.[9] Of the works and filming permits, S Western Avenue closes one direction at a time from 09:30 to 14:30 CST daily, the Columbus Drive bridge closes on Tuesday 10 from 09:30 to 14:30 CST, W Lake

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Street closes from Western to California on Wednesday 11 from 09:00 to 13:00 CST, and the Pershing Road bridge stays closed from Ashland to Morgan to Tuesday 17.[1, 2]

DATE	EVENT	CLOSURE	STREETS AND NOTE
All week	**State/Lake station reconstruction**	Full	Southbound State St, Wacker to Randolph, and Lake St, Dearborn to Wabash, to 31 December. Southbound #2, #6, #10, #29, #62 and #146 board at State/Washington, #36 at Wacker/State and #148 at Michigan/Washington. The State/Lake 'L' station is closed for reconstruction into 2029.[1, 4]
To Thu 12	**Lower Wabash Ave**	Full	Southbound lanes, Illinois to Hubbard (420–450 N), continuous to 12 November. Southbound access detour via Illinois, State and Hubbard.[1]
All week	**S Western Ave paving**	Full	3025–3500 S, one direction of travel at a time, 09:30–14:30 CST daily, 9 to 17 November. Southbound detour via 31st, California and 35th; northbound via 35th, Damen and Cermak.[1]
All week	**N Western Ave viaduct reconstruction**	Full	300–429 N (Fulton to Hubbard), to 7 December. The permit describes single-direction closures.[1]
Tue 10	**Columbus Dr bridge**	Full	350–430 N, roadway and sidewalks, 09:30–14:30 CST. Northbound cars via Wacker, Michigan and Illinois; northbound trucks via Monroe, Michigan and Ohio; southbound via Ontario, Michigan and Monroe.[1]
To Tue 17	**Pershing Rd bridge**	Full	W Pershing Rd, Ashland to Morgan (1100–1400 W), to 17 November; a second permit for shoring towers under the bridge runs to 30 November.[1]

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DATE	EVENT	CLOSURE	STREETS AND NOTE
All week	**35th St sewer junction**	Full	W 35th St at Parnell Ave (501–550 W), to 23 December. Detour via Halsted, 31st and Wentworth.[1]
All week	**100th St rail bridge**	Full	E 100th St, Ewing Ave to Avenue J, to 31 December under a new permit; the earlier bridge-repair permit runs to 1 December.[1]
All week	**Avenue L rail crossing and bridge columns**	Full	S Avenue L under the railroad bridge, 99th to 100th, to 22 November.[1]
From Fri 13 (weekends)	**ComEd Bridge 22**	Full	E 79th St, 1461–1515 E; weekend full closure from Friday 19:00 to Monday 05:30 CST, repeating on weekends to 30 April.[1]
All week	**92nd Street bascule bridge**	Full	S Ewing Ave, 9207–9485 S, reconstruction to November 2028.[1]
All week	**Red Line Extension**	Full	S Doty Ave (west leg, west of I-94), 115th to 130th, full daily closure to 4 December.[1]
All week	**Lathrop redevelopment**	Full	N Hoyne Ave, 2600–2717 N, and N Leavitt St from 2600 N, street and sidewalks, to 2 December; the Damen Avenue bridge stair to the riverwalk is closed to pedestrians.[1, 39]
All week	**Sewer main repair**	Full	W Waveland Ave, 3400–3559 W; N Central Park Ave, 3700–3801 N; N Hamlin Ave, 3800–3901 N; N St Louis Ave, 3700–3837 N; N Drake Ave, 3700–3801 N; and N Christiana Ave, 3700–3713 N, to 30 November.[1]
Mon 9	**Crane**	Full	23–27 W Kinzie St, a 70-ton crane on N Lower Carroll.[1]

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DATE	EVENT	CLOSURE	STREETS AND NOTE
Mon 9 to Tue 10	**Filming**	Parking	W Burton Pl and N Dearborn Pkwy, 1500 N block, 07:00–17:00 CST.[2, 29]
Mon 9	**Block party**	Full	W 23rd St, 100–200 W.[9]
Tue 10	**Block party**	Full	N Morgan St, 400–471 N.[9]
Wed 11	**Filming**	Full	W Lake St, Western Ave to California Ave (2401–2761 W), 09:00–13:00 CST, with intermittent traffic control on Talman, Maplewood, Washtenaw, Fairfield and Campbell.[2]
Wed 11	**Filming**	Full	Wallace St, 36th to 38th, and W 37th St, Parnell to Lowe, 07:00–16:00 CST; intermittent traffic control on 36th St, Union to Parnell, and on Wallace, 35th to 36th. CTA reroutes eastbound #35 buses via Wallace from 06:00 the same day.[2, 4]
Wed 11	**Filming**	Intermittent	W Washington Blvd, Western Ave to California Ave, 18:00–21:00 CST.[2]
Fri 13 to Mon 16	**Northwestern Medicine crane lifts**	Full	N Fairbanks Ct, Huron to Superior (701–754 N), from Friday 19:00 CST to early Monday 16; permits to 16 and 17 November, with a third, 708–716 N, on 14 and 15 November. Nightly lane reduction on Fairbanks, Erie to Superior, 19:00–03:00 CST, Monday to Friday.[1, 11]
Fri 13 to Sun 15	**Crane**	Full	N Sedgwick St, 700–721 N, 360-ton crane.[1]

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DATE	EVENT	CLOSURE	STREETS AND NOTE
Fri 13 to Sun 15	**Randolph Street Market**	Full and curb lane	N Ada St, Randolph to Washington, full; curb lanes on W Washington Blvd, Loomis to Ada, and on the Randolph Street south service lane; from Friday 05:00 to Sunday 22:00 CST as the permit's detail text gives it (the filed dates are 14 and 15 November). The nearest permit row is 0.70 mile from the United Center.[9, 10]
Sat 14	**Crane**	Full	E Delaware Pl, 44–143 E, 350-ton crane.[1]
Sat 14 to Sun 15	**Crane**	Full	Holden Ct, 35–49 N, crane in the alley.[1]
Sat 14	**North Branch Winter Market**	Full	N Kinzua Ave, Devon to Leoti (6401–6499 N), 15:00–20:00 CST.[9]
Sat 14	**Green City Market West Loop**	Full	W Monroe St, 900–932 W, Saturday market 05:30–14:30 CST, season permit to 21 November.[9]
Sat 14	**SLFM Printers Row**	Curb lane	S Federal St, 602–781 S, to 21 November.[9]
Season	**Victory & Vice Tailgates**	Full	W Carroll Ave, 1024–1045 W, for Bears away-game tailgating, 11 October to 13 December. No Bears game falls in the window.[9, 19]
Sun 15	**Back of the Yards 5K**	Full	W 43rd St, 1000–1600 W; W 47th St, 1200–1600 W; S Morgan St, 4140–4300 S; S Racine Ave, 4140–4700 S; S Ashland Ave, 4300–4700 S; W Exchange Ave, 800–1140 W. Hours not stated.[9]

Permit records show filings, not street conditions, and they lag emergency work.

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05 CPD pattern alerts

27 PUBLISHED IN 30 DAYS

27 alerts were published from 10 October to 8 November; none had been published inside the window when the feed was read at 03:35 CST on Monday 9.[17] The table lists each as its feed title reads. Alert volume measures how often the Department publishes a notice, not how much crime occurred.

PUBLISHED	DISTRICTS	SERIES	PATTERN	REFERENCE
Nov 8, 01:10 CST	6th District	Community	**Home Invasion & Sexual Assault**	Not in the fee
Nov 4, 12:43 CST	3rd District	Community	**Armed Robberies**	P26-1-078 A
Nov 3, 14:52 CST	19th District	Community	**Motor Vehicle Thefts**	P26-3-045
Nov 2, 16:25 CST	6th, 7th, 19th & 22nd Districts	Business	**Burglaries & Criminal Damage to Property**	26-CWP-030
Nov 2, 15:14 CST	1st District	Community	**Strong Arm Robberies**	P26-3-044
Oct 28, 10:11 CDT	6th District	Community	**Armed Robberies**	P26-2-018
Oct 26, 14:36 CDT	11th District	Community	**Battery**	JK465487
Oct 25, 15:53 CDT	Public Transportation Section	Community	**Aggravated Battery**	JK449694
Oct 25, 10:59 CDT	3rd District	Community	**Armed Robberies**	P26-1-077 A
Oct 23, 12:33 CDT	17th, 24th & 25th Districts	Business	**Commercial Burglaries**	26-CWP-029

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PUBLISHED	DISTRICTS	SERIES	PATTERN	REFERENCE
Oct 22, 12:10 CDT	25th District	Community	**Burglaries from Motor Vehicles**	P26-5-020
Oct 21, 17:05 CDT	1st District	Business	**Thefts**	P26-3-041
Oct 21, 13:33 CDT	22nd District	Community	**Armed Robberies**	P26-2-017
Oct 19, 09:59 CDT	12th District	Community	**Motor Vehicle Thefts**	P26-3-040
Oct 16, 19:42 CDT	Major Accidents, 7th District	Community	**Hit & Run**	JK446138
Oct 16, 19:12 CDT	14th & 18th Districts	Business	**Business Burglaries**	26-CWP-028
Oct 16, 15:45 CDT	19th District	Community	**Burglaries From Motor Vehicles & Criminal Damage to Vehicles**	P26-3-039
Oct 16, 12:29 CDT	12th District	Community	**Criminal Damage to Vehicles**	P26-3-038
Oct 15, 15:51 CDT	1st, 12th & 18th Districts	Community	**Criminal Damage to Property & Burglaries**	P26-3-036
Oct 15, 15:12 CDT	14th, 16th & 17th Districts	Business	**Commercial Burglaries**	P26-5-019
Oct 15, 12:55 CDT	Public Transportation Section	Community	**Aggravated Battery**	JK446326
Oct 15, 10:06 CDT	Public Transportation Section	Community	**Aggravated Battery**	JK402739

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PUBLISHED	DISTRICTS	SERIES	PATTERN	REFERENCE
Oct 14, 14:56 CDT	Public Transportation Section	Community	**Aggravated Battery/Senior Citizen**	JK439340
Oct 12, 14:00 CDT	6th & 22nd Districts	Community	**Armed Robberies**	P26-2-015 A
Oct 12, 13:51 CDT	2nd District	Community	**Criminal Damage to Vehicles**	P26-1-072 A
Oct 11, 15:49 CDT	6th District	Community	**Armed Robberies**	P26-2-016
Oct 10, 11:29 CDT	Public Transportation Section	Community	**Public Indecency**	JK443416

Published times are from the Department's news feed, converted to Chicago time. Series, unit or district, pattern and reference are as the feed title prints them; where the title names a unit rather than a district, the unit is shown. An alert stays listed until CPD removes it, so a listing does not mean an incident is ongoing.[17]

06 Planned gatherings

Each gathering below is listed with the source that announces it.

- **Wednesday 11, 11:00 CST, Vietnam Veterans Memorial, 24 E Wacker Dr (Riverwalk)**: Antiwar Veterans Day Ceremony, listed with About Face, Common Defense, Chicago Area Peace Action, SEIU, the Chicago Teachers Union, the Chicago Committee Against War and Racism, National Nurses United, UE and Chicago Jobs with Justice as sponsors. End time, route and size not stated. (single source)[23] At the 2025 Veterans Day event at this memorial, participants rallied and then marched to Federal Plaza.[40] A City permit record filed as an assembly at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial, 44 E Wacker Dr, is dated 11 November, with status "Closed" and no name or hours.[2]
- **Wednesday 11, from 15:00 CST, Mary Bartelme Park, 115 S Sangamon St, then 16:00 CST, 309 N Morgan St**: "No to Big Tech Bullies in Our Schools" rally by Illinois Families for Public Schools with Schools Beyond Screens - Chicago CPS, with a press conference in front of Google's West Loop office, 0.48 mile north of the park. Route and size not stated. (single source)[24]
- **Thursday 12, 18:30 CST, Malcolm X College, 1900 W Jackson Blvd**: Community Commission for Public Safety and Accountability meeting with the vote on the

"Nomination of candidates to fill vacancy of Chicago Police Superintendent" and public comment of twenty minutes in total; speaker cards 18:00 to 18:30, with a random drawing if oversubscribed. Attendance not stated.[26]
- **Thursday 12, 18:30–20:00 CST, Uptown Baptist Church, 1011 W Wilson Ave**: budget town hall with the Mayor, as listed by the 33rd Ward. (single source)[33]
- **Saturday 14, 10:00–16:00 CST, Japanese American Service Committee, 5700 N Lincoln Ave**: Holiday Delight and Kodomo Matsuri community festival. No closure stated. (single source)[37]
- **Saturday 14, 12:00–13:00 CST, Federal Plaza, 100 S Dearborn St**: "March For An AI Treaty: Chicago" by Stop The AI Race, recorded as a rally with speeches from 12:30, one of same-day marches in cities around the world. The organiser's description also gives "12pm ET", which is 11:00 CST. Route and size not stated. (single source)[25]

> NOTE ON UNPERMITTED ASSEMBLY
>
> Where this brief notes that a gathering is unpermitted, that is a statement about **data availability** and nothing else. Peaceful assembly and protest are protected activity. TB Defense reports gatherings solely because they affect how long it takes to move through a street, and takes no position on the subject, organisers or participants.

07 Since the last edition

Week Ahead No. 11 (2 to 8 November), scored. Observed highs at O'Hare and Midway ran within 3 F of the forecast from Monday 2 to Wednesday 4 and on Sunday 8, and 4 to 8 F below it from Thursday 5 to Saturday 7. Tuesday's forecast gusts of 35 mph verified, at 36 mph at O'Hare and 42 mph at Midway, and Wednesday's "perhaps near 30-35 mph" verified at 35 and 38 mph. Thursday 5 was printed at west-southwest 5 to 10 mph; gusts reached 31 mph at O'Hare and 34 mph at Midway. No thunderstorm was recorded at either airport on Tuesday, rain totals stayed at or below 0.14 inch a day, fog was recorded at both airports from Monday to Thursday, and Saturday was dry, as forecast.[41] No NWS watch, warning or advisory named a Cook or Lake County land zone from 2 to 8 November; the Small Craft Advisory for the Illinois nearshore waters ran past its printed end of 06:00 CST Wednesday 4, to 09:00 CST Thursday 5, and new advisories followed on Thursday 5 and Sunday 8.[42]

Events. The Blackhawks played Colorado at the United Center on Monday 2 at 19:00 CST, as printed, and lost 2–5.[5] The Bears won 34–17 at Seattle on Monday 2 and beat Tampa Bay 27–24 at Soldier Field on Sunday 8.[19] The Bulls lost to Philadelphia 121–127 at the United Center on Sunday 8 (secondary, single source).[7] The Chicago Fire lost 3–4 to Columbus at SeatGeek Stadium, Bridgeview, on Saturday 7, as printed.[22] The organiser's record for the Saturday 7 march now reads "The People Have Spoken: Rally & March" at

Federal Plaza, 100 S Dearborn St, from 12:00 to 15:00 CST; No. 11 printed the title and the private address the record carried on 2 November.[43]

Transit and closures. The Blue Line single-track alerts on the O'Hare branch for Monday 2 to Wednesday 4 have left the CTA feed, as printed, and the weekend shuttle between Jefferson Park and Harlem repeats from Friday 13.[4] The special-event permits of 3 to 8 November, the 95th Street, DuSable Lake Shore Drive and Roosevelt Road bridge closures, the Moe Drive busway crane and the Milwaukee Avenue staging closure ended on their printed dates.[1] A new permit closes E 100th Street from Ewing Avenue to Avenue J to 31 December for rail bridge reconstruction.[1]

CPD alerts. Five alerts were published after No. 11's read of the feed: P26-3-044 (1st, 2 November, 15:14 CST), 26-CWP-030 (6th, 7th, 19th and 22nd, 2 November, 16:25 CST), P26-3-045 (19th, 3 November, 14:52 CST), P26-1-078 A (3rd, 4 November, 12:43 CST) and a 6th District alert published 8 November at 01:10 CST; all five are read from their feed titles. P26-1-078CA (3rd, 1 November), which No. 11 listed, no longer appears in the feed; the P26-1-078 A item appeared on 4 November at a different address.[17] Three alerts published 5 and 6 October, JK438007, 26-CWP-027 and JK420398, have passed out of the 30-day look-back.[17, 44]

Workforce. The WARN notices of Success Lending, Schaumburg, and Capital One, Riverwoods, reached their printed end dates, 2 and about 5 November.[45]

Corrections to No. 11.

- The #J14 and #15 Jeffery reroute did not end on Wednesday 4 at 20:00, as No. 11 printed: CTA reissued it as alert 118433 with the same route, running to 2 December at 20:00 CST.[4]
- The permit for the Lathrop redevelopment closure of N Hoyne Avenue and N Leavitt Street now ends 2 December 2026, not 31 October 2027 as No. 11 printed; the record changed after publication.[39]
- The pavement-restoration permit No. 11 printed as a full closure of 400 N Lake Shore Drive from 2 to 23 November now reads as a curb-lane closure of 401–464 E North Water Street to 20 November; the record changed after publication.[39]

In the news

Chicago

Nothing significant in this period.

World

Nothing significant in this period.

EP and VIP

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Nothing significant in this period.

08 Holidays and observances

DATE	OBSERVANCE	WHAT IT MEANS FOR MOVEMENT
Mon, Nov 9	**Sigd**	Ethiopian Jewish holiday. No closure printed.[34]
Wed, Nov 11	**Veterans Day**	Federal holiday. No City Council committee meeting is scheduled that day. An antiwar ceremony is listed at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial on Wacker Drive at 11:00 CST (single source).[31, 27, 23]
Fri, Nov 13	**Shabbat**	Candle lighting at 16:13 CST Friday; havdalah at 17:15 CST Saturday.[34]

09 Workforce disruption

WARN FILINGS

One WARN notice prints a first separation date inside the window: Heartland Human Care Services, 407 N Kedzie Ave, Chicago, a layoff of 2 workers on Monday 9, filed with its county cell reading “c”.[45] Six further notices that began earlier print date ranges that reach into the window, four of them at sites in the City: Uber Technologies, Inc., 433 W Van Buren St, Fulton Troika LLC (Fulton Market), 4501 W 42nd St, a supplemental notice from Norvax, LLC – GoHealth, LLC, 222 W Merchandise Mart Plaza, and TV Hardward Distribution, LLC, 8600 W Bryn Mawr Ave, whose schedule lists separations in October and January only. The other two are in Will and DuPage Counties; MAT Holdings, Romeoville, reaches its printed end on Sunday 15.[45]

DATE	EMPLOYER	LOCATION	PEOPLE
Nov 9	**Heartland Human Care Services**	Chicago (county cell reads “c”)	2
Nov 2 to Feb 2	**Uber Technologies, Inc.**	Chicago, Cook	363

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DATE	EMPLOYER	LOCATION	PEOPLE
Nov 5 to Dec 31	**Norvax, LLC – GoHealth, LLC**	Chicago, Cook	111 additional
Oct 25 to Nov 30	**Fulton Troika LLC (Fulton Market)**	Chicago, Cook	109
Oct 9 to Jan 8	**TV Hardward Distribution, LLC**	Chicago, Cook	116 (schedule: Oc
Oct 31 to Nov 15	**MAT Holdings, Inc. (GRI Engineering)**	Romeoville, Will	97
Oct 4 to Dec 31, each “or within 14 days after”	**GreenWood, Inc.**	Hanover Park, DuPage	28

Counts and causes are as the employer filed them. Nothing in a WARN filing describes conduct, and nothing here suggests any named employer or workforce presents a risk.

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10 Asked and answered

Is Western Avenue closed this week?

In part. S Western Avenue from 3025 to 3500 S closes for paving one direction of travel at a time from 09:30 to 14:30 CST every day from Monday 9 to Tuesday 17 November 2026, with southbound traffic detoured via 31st Street, California Avenue and 35th Street and northbound via 35th Street, Damen Avenue and Cermak Road. N Western Avenue from Fulton to Hubbard Streets carries single-direction closures for viaduct reconstruction to 7 December. On Wednesday 11 November 2026 West Lake Street is fully closed from Western Avenue to California Avenue from 09:00 to 13:00 CST for filming.

What is the worst window for movement in Chicago this week?

Friday 13 November 2026 in the evening, when the Bulls host Atlanta at the United Center (tip-off time not stated, one secondary source) and Wintrust Arena opens a show at 20:00 CST, 3.35 miles apart. From 22:00 CST shuttle buses replace Blue Line trains between Jefferson Park and Harlem on the O'Hare branch. Thursday 12 November follows, with rain showers likely, north winds of 20 to 25 mph and two evening events 0.3 mile apart on the Near West Side. Sunday 15 November is the one day rated High, for the Back of the Yards 5K street closures.

Which streets are closed for events?

11 special-event permits in the City's closures dataset touch 9 to 15 November 2026: 6 festivals, 2 block parties, 1 athletic event and 2 farmers-market filings for one market. The Back of the Yards 5K on Sunday 15 November holds full closures on W 43rd Street, W 47th Street, S Morgan Street, S Racine Avenue, S Ashland Avenue and W Exchange Avenue, on a permit that prints no hours. The Randolph Street Market closes N Ada Street from Randolph to Washington from Friday 13 November at 05:00 to Sunday 15 November at 22:00 CST as the permit's detail text gives it (the filed dates are 14 and 15 November), and the North Branch Winter Market closes N Kinzua Avenue from Devon to Leoti on Saturday 14 November from 15:00 to 20:00 CST. Filming closes W Lake Street from Western to California on Wednesday 11 November from 09:00 to 13:00 CST, and Wallace Street and W 37th Street near 37th and Parnell from 07:00 to 16:00 CST on the same day.

Will weather delay flights at O'Hare or Midway?

Neither airport had a ground stop, ground delay program or closure in the FAA status file at 03:35 CST on Monday 9 November 2026, and no temporary flight restriction carries an Illinois entry. Thursday 12 November carries the strongest forecast winds of 9 to 15 November 2026, north 20 to 25 mph, with rain showers likely at 66 percent by day and 63 percent at night; Friday 13 November carries a 54 percent chance of rain, and lake effect showers into portions of the area, with snow likely to mix in at times, follow Thursday, though whether the bands reach northeast Illinois is not yet determined. The FAA's limit on scheduled operations at O'Hare during airfield construction has applied since 25 October.

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How many CPD alerts are open?

27 pattern alerts were published by the Chicago Police Department from 10 October to 8 November 2026. An alert stays listed until the Department removes it, so a listing does not mean an incident is ongoing. Alert counts measure how often the Department publishes a notice, not how much crime occurred.

What is the forecast?

Mild and dry on 9 and 10 November 2026, then colder and wet from the afternoon of Wednesday 11 November to Friday 13 November, and dry again at the weekend of 14 and 15 November. Highs run 59 on Monday 9 and Tuesday 10 November 2026, 54 on Wednesday 11, 46 on Thursday 12, 44 on Friday 13, 48 on Saturday 14 and 52 on Sunday 15 November, with lows from 34 to 45. Showers are possible from noon on Wednesday 11 November, at 40 percent, and likely on Thursday 12 November, at 66 percent, with north winds of 20 to 25 mph; Friday 13 November carries a 54 percent chance of rain. The forecaster expects a multi-day period of lake effect showers into portions of the area after Thursday, with snow likely to mix in at times, and whether the bands reach northeast Illinois or stay over northwest Indiana is not yet determined; a strong surface high is expected to end the showers over the weekend.

11 Ratings and color coding

HOW TO READ THE SHADING

Each rating scores how much something **constrains movement** across the period. None of them scores danger, and none of them scores a place.

LOW

No scheduled constraint. Normal routes, nothing on the calendar that changes them.

MODERATE

A predictable window will slow movement, and it has a defined end: stadium egress, a festival footprint, a holiday return build.

HIGH

A route or a capacity is **removed** rather than reduced, and there is no equivalent substitute.

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The ratings are **TB Defense's own editorial judgement**, not an official designation and not a statistical model. They describe conditions as of publication and go stale. A Low rating is not an assurance of safety and a High rating is not a prediction of harm. Ratings apply to **movement across the region**, never to a neighborhood, a community or a group of people.

12 End notes

UNLABELLED SOURCE TIMES ARE SHOWN AS CHICAGO LOCAL TIME

1. City of Chicago Department of Transportation permits with a full street closure intersecting the window (dataset jdis-5sry), with each permit's printed comments, detours and hours (no zone printed). Permits cited include DOT2307312 (S Western Ave, "Between 9:30am and 2:30pm", "one direction of travel at a time"), DOT2305810 (Columbus Dr bridge, "Tuesday, November 10, from 9:30am to 2:30pm"), DOT2296786 and DOT2296761 (Pershing Rd bridge), DOT2301752, DOT2305847 and DOT2304232 (N Fairbanks Ct), DOT2307687 (N Sedgwick St), DOT2299860 (E Delaware Pl), DOT2300556 (Holden Ct), DOT2302833 (W Kinzie St), DOT2297266 (Lower Wabash), DOT2229266 and DOT2203701 (State/Lake), DOT2297754 (N Western Ave viaduct), DOT2301799 (35th St), DOT2307721 and DOT2299549 (E 100th St), DOT2295030 and DOT2301314 (Avenue L), DOT2291262 (E 79th St, "Friday night 7:00 PM to Monday morning 5:30 AM"), DOT2291712 (92nd St bridge), DOT2302495 (Doty Ave), DOT2304726 (Lathrop) and DOT2220412 (Waveland Ave). No update time printed. Retrieved 03:35 CST. PRIMARY. data.cityofchicago.org/resource/jdis-5sry.json
2. City of Chicago, Department of Transportation permits (dataset pubx-yq2d), filming, parade and assembly work types: 2305690 ("Full Closure on Lake Street between Western Avenue and California Avenue, 11/11 9 am - 1pm"; intermittent traffic control on Talman, Maplewood, Washtenaw, Fairfield and Campbell), 2307223 ("FULL STREET CLOSURE on 11/11 from 7am to 4pm on Wallace from 36th Street to 38th Street and on 37th Street from Parnell to Lowe"), 2307700 ("INTERMITTENT TRAFFIC CONTROL on 11/11 from 6pm to 9pm on Washington from Western to California"; stunt unit), 2305240 (parking holds, W Burton Pl and N Dearborn Pkwy, 9 to 10 November) and assembly permit 2229591 ("VIETNAM VETERANS MEMORIAL", 44 E Wacker Dr, 11 November, status Closed). Dataset rows updated Nov 9, 01:47 CST. Retrieved 03:45 CST; rows re-read 04:01 CST. PRIMARY. data.cityofchicago.org/resource/pubx-yq2d.json
3. National Weather Service, point forecast for the Loop (LOT 75,73): day highs, night lows, sky, wind and the probabilityOfPrecipitation field for each period. Updated Nov 9, 06:30 CST. Retrieved 11:47 CST. PRIMARY. api.weather.gov/gridpoints/LOT/75,73/forecast
4. Chicago Transit Authority Customer Alerts API. Alert times print no zone. Alerts cited: 112148, 117508, 117692, 118318, 118346, 118419, 118423, 118433, 118435, 118456, 118458, 118264,

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5. NHL, Chicago Blackhawks 2026–27 club schedule (start times in UTC, converted): Buffalo at Chicago, United Center, Nov 12, 19:00 CST; Winnipeg at Chicago, Nov 14, 14:30 CST; Colorado at Chicago, Nov 2, final 5–2 Colorado. Retrieved 03:35 CST. PRIMARY. api-web.nhle.com/v1/club-schedule-season/CHI/20262027
6. Live Nation, United Center events (JSON-LD with UTC offsets): XG World Tour: The Core in Chicago, Nov 9, 20:00 CST, "EventScheduled". No update time. Retrieved 03:35 CST. PRIMARY. livenation.com/venue/KovZpa2M7e/united-center-events
7. CBS Sports, Chicago Bulls schedule: home v San Antonio, Nov 11, and v Atlanta, Nov 13 ("8:00 pm", no zone printed); Nov 8 v Philadelphia, L 121–127. Update time not printed. Retrieved about 03:38 CST. SECONDARY, SINGLE-SOURCE. cbssports.com/nba/teams/CHI/chicago-bulls/schedule/
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