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BUS and RAPID TRANSIT ROUTINGS DOWNTOWN

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FOREWORD

Chicago's Central Business District with its world-renowned retail complex is the nerve center of an eight-county metropolitan area whose total output on a Gross National Product Basis is $28 to $30 billion annually. Total value of property within the district exceeds $1.6 million. Owners of this property pay more than 11 per cent of the City of Chicago's general tax revenues. Concentrated within the District are such major economic activities as merchandising, banking and finance, commerce and corporate management.

One cannot over-emphasize the importance of the Central Business District to the economic progress of the entire metropolitan area. And the District is growing steadily in importance and in value. In the period 1958-64 major building improvements completed or under construction total more than $540 million. Projects totaling more than $175 million have been announced for future construction.

A principal factor in the vigor and growth of the Central Business District is its accessibility from all parts of Chicago and most of the metropolitan area. Five of Chicago Transit Authority's rapid transit routes, operating on right-of-way either above or below street grade without interference from or to street traffic, service the District. Direct convenient service to or through the District is also provided by 56 of CTA's 139 bus routes. Unified by a broad transfer privilege, these two systems make it possible to reach the Central Business District from any part of Chicago, and 29 satellite communities.

Cordon counts of traffic entering and leaving the Central Business District disclose the tremendous importance of mass transit and commuter railroads in moving people to and from the District. For example, during the maximum morning rush hour (7:30 a.m. to 8:30 a.m.) on a typical weekday in May of 1963, 200,947 people entered the district by all forms of transportation. Of this total, 134,248 persons or 67 per cent, came by CTA rapid transit and commuter railroads on traffic-free rights-of-way; 15 per cent came by buses; 15 per cent by automobiles and 3 per cent by taxicabs and service vehicles.

The private automobile's share of this one hour part of the transportation job is only 30,722 people, but it requires 20,481 automobiles. In comparison, only 933 buses are needed to bring in 30,605 people in this maximum hour. This is conclusive evidence, then, that the private automobile is the major cause of rush hour congestion in the Central Business District.

If the private automobile alone were relied upon to perform this entire one hour segment of the weekday transportation chore, approximately 150 additional expressway lanes would be necessary. Assuming 8 lane expressways cost $13,000,000 per mile, and an average length of ten miles would be required, these expressways, plus the garaging facilities for 111,000 automobiles, would cost the fantastic sum of about $2.8 billion.

From these statistics, only one conclusion can be drawn: That mass transit, particularly the private right-of-way CTA rapid transit and the commuter railroads, are indispensable transportation life-lines of the Central Business District.

Ted Mann

Chairman,
Chicago Transit Board

September 14, 1964

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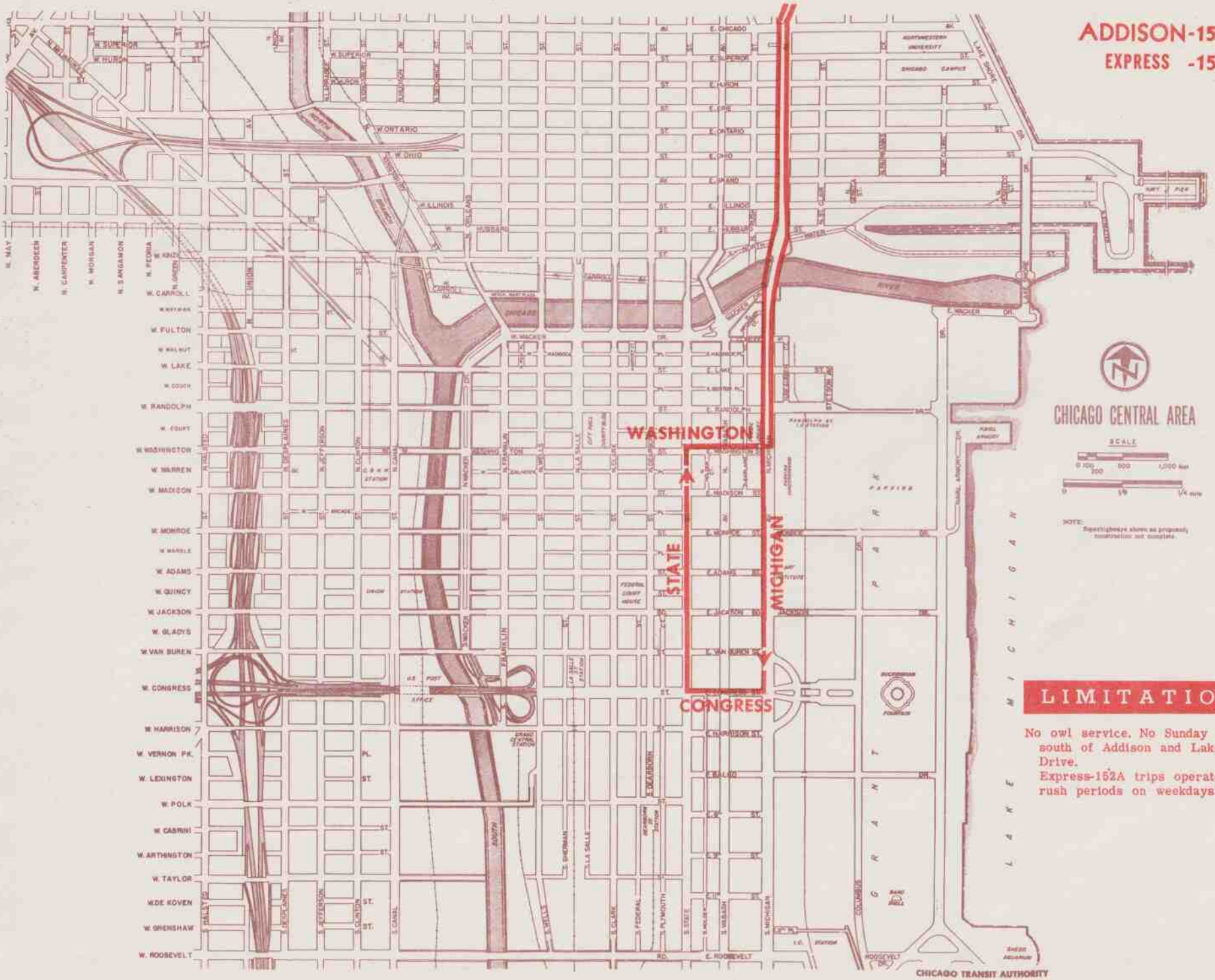

LIMITATIONS

No owl service. No Sunday service south of Addison and Lake Shore Drive.

Express-152A trips operate during rush periods on weekdays only.

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ARCHER-62
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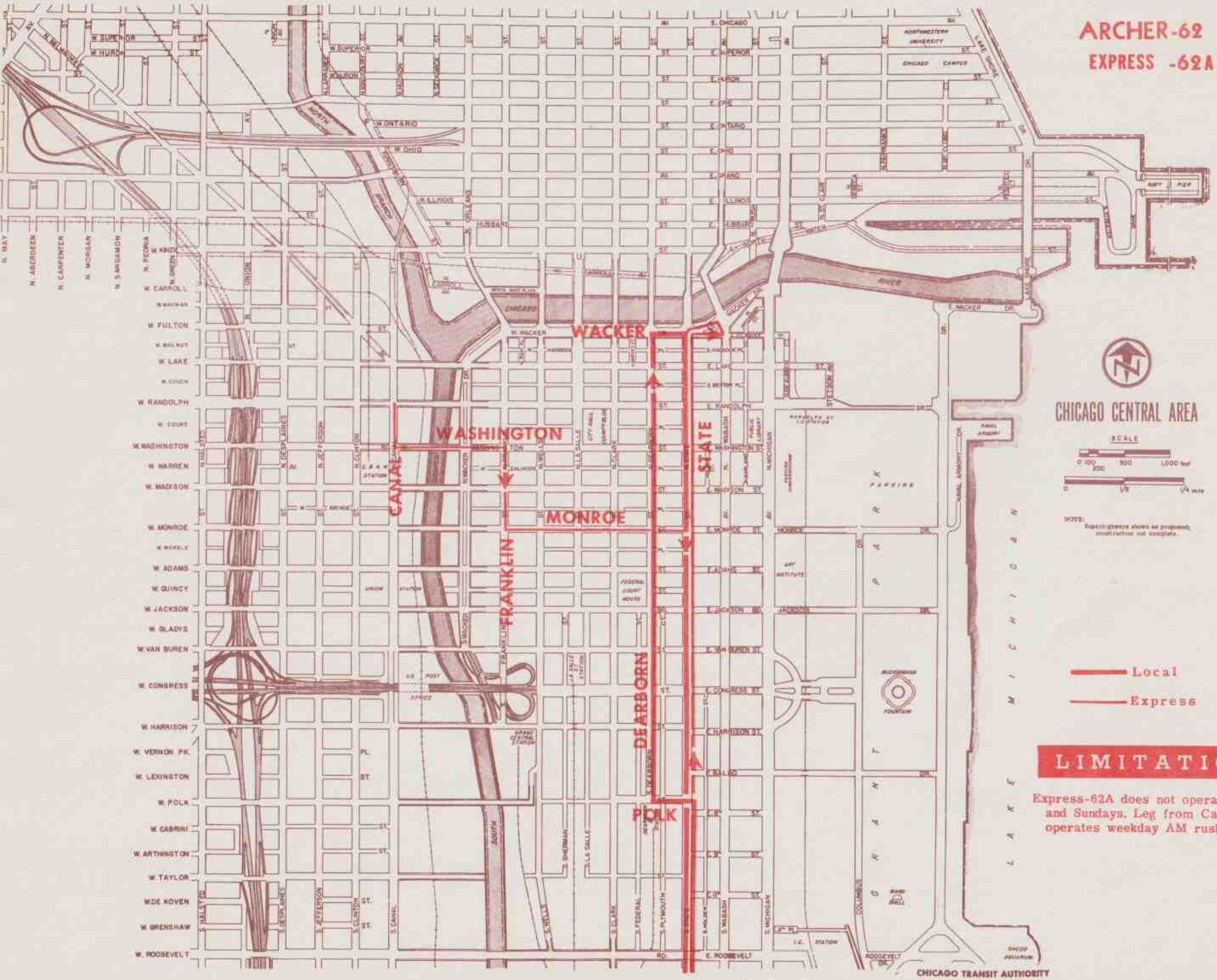

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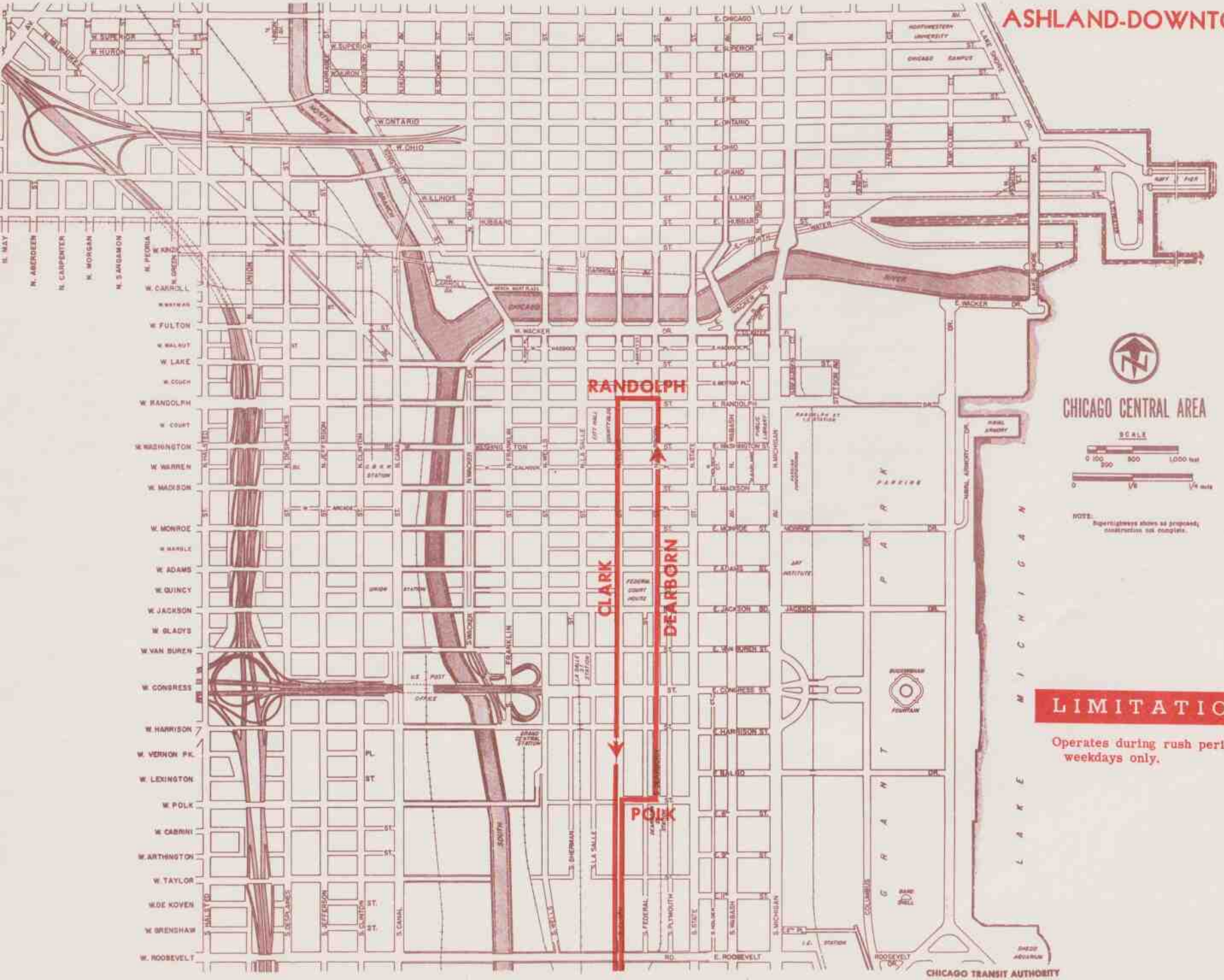
RANDOLPH
CLARK
DEARBORN
POLK
CHICAGO CENTRAL AREA
SCALE
NOTE:
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LAKE MICHIGAN
GRANT PARK
W. MAY
N. ABERDEEN
N. CARPENTER
W. MORGAN
N. SANGAMON
N. PEORIA
W. CARROLL
W. FULTON
W. LAKE
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E. CHICAGO
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N. MICHIGAN
S. MICHIGAN
S. WABASH
S. STATE
S. PLYMOUTH
S. FEDERAL
S. DEARBORN
S. CLARK
S. LA SALLE
S. SHERMAN
S. CANAL
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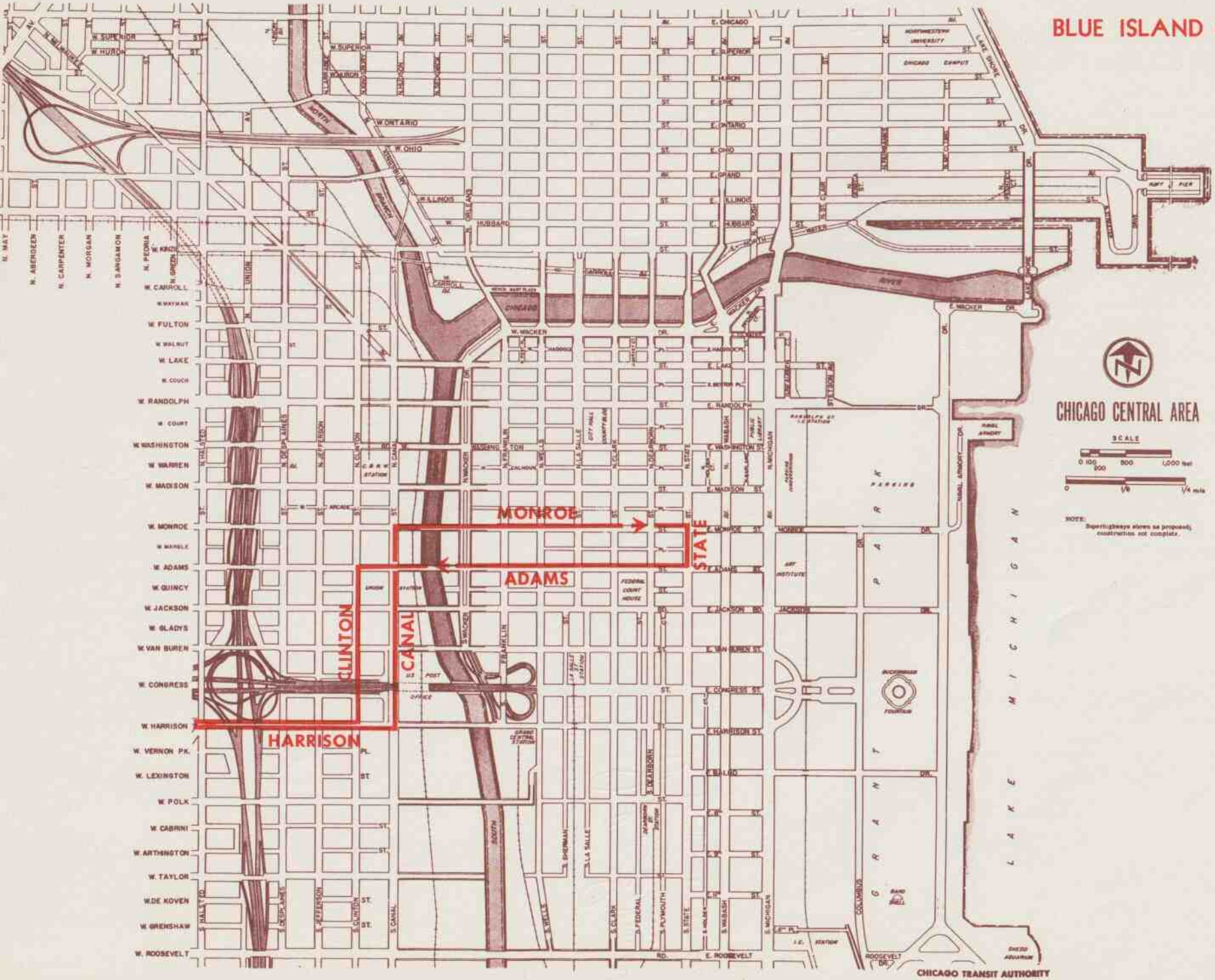

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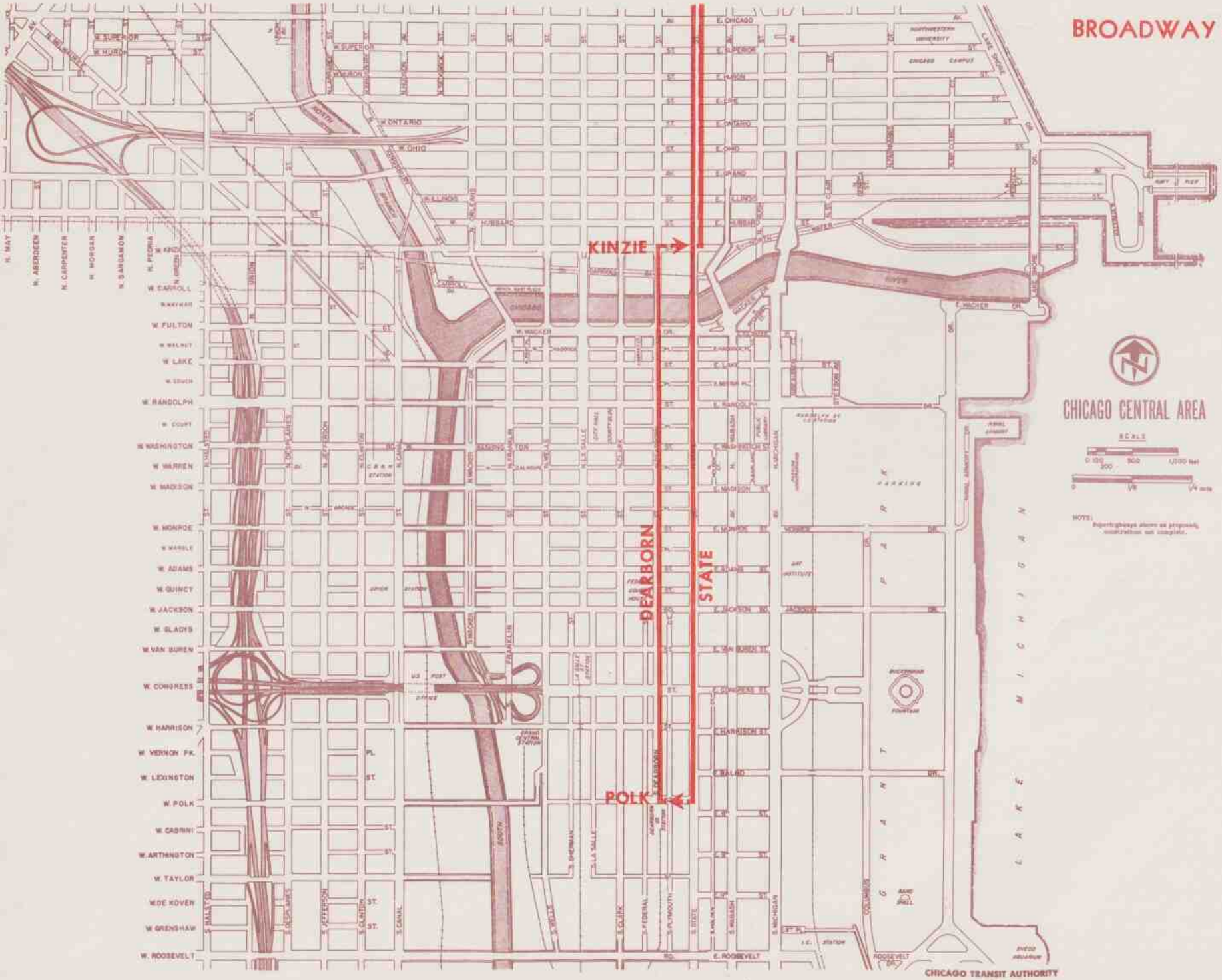

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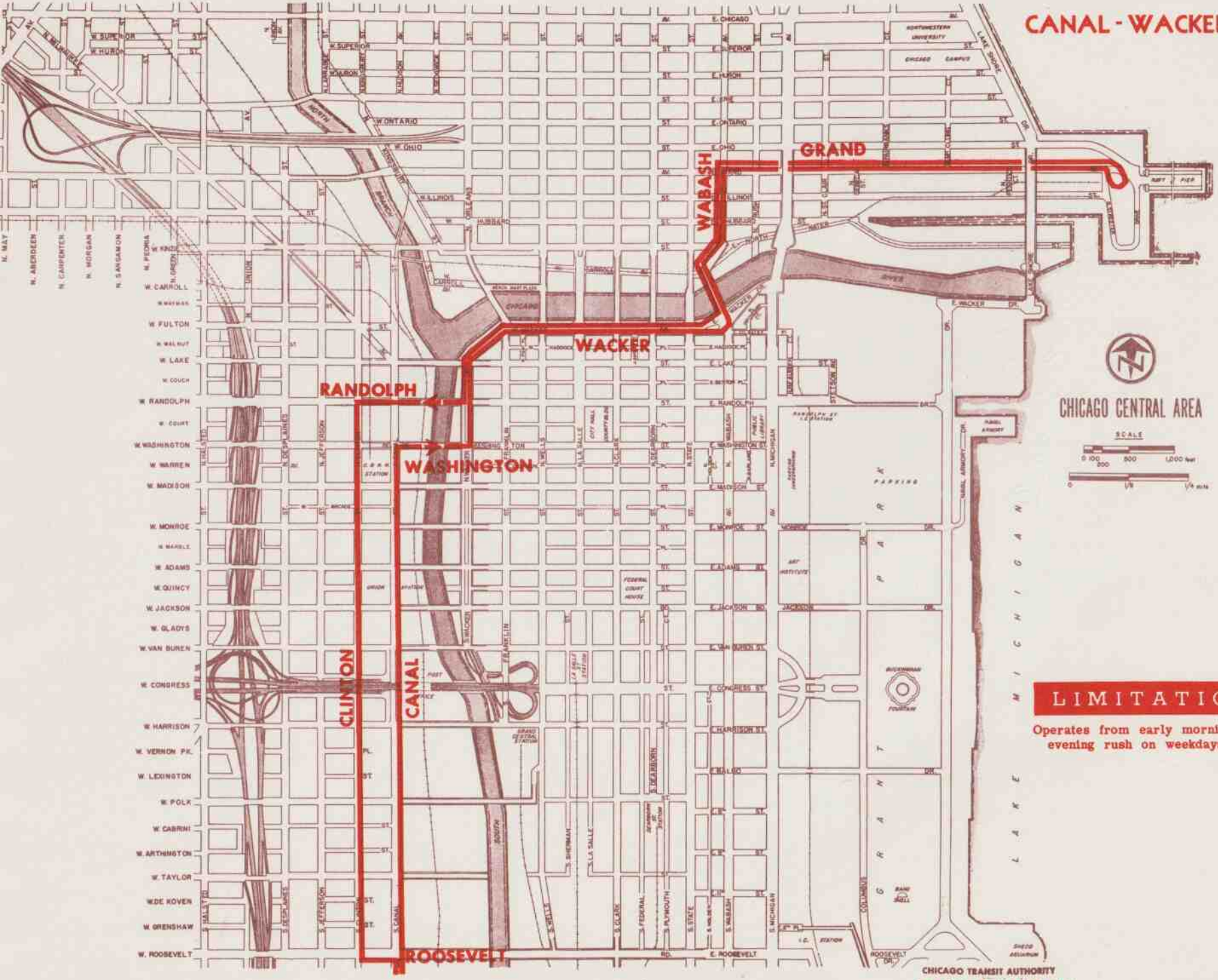
CANAL - WACKER -15



LIMITATIONS

Operates from early morning through evening rush on weekdays only.

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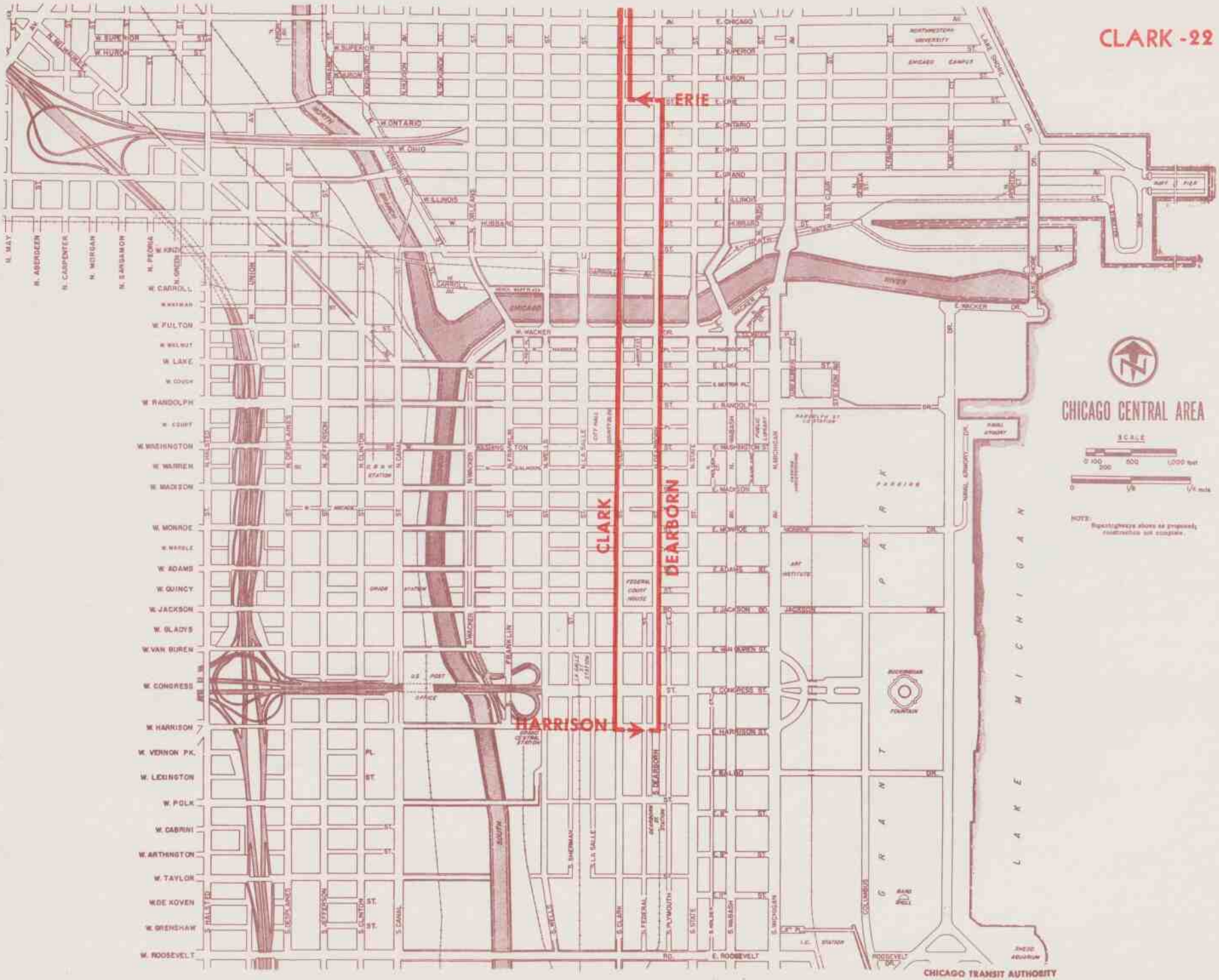

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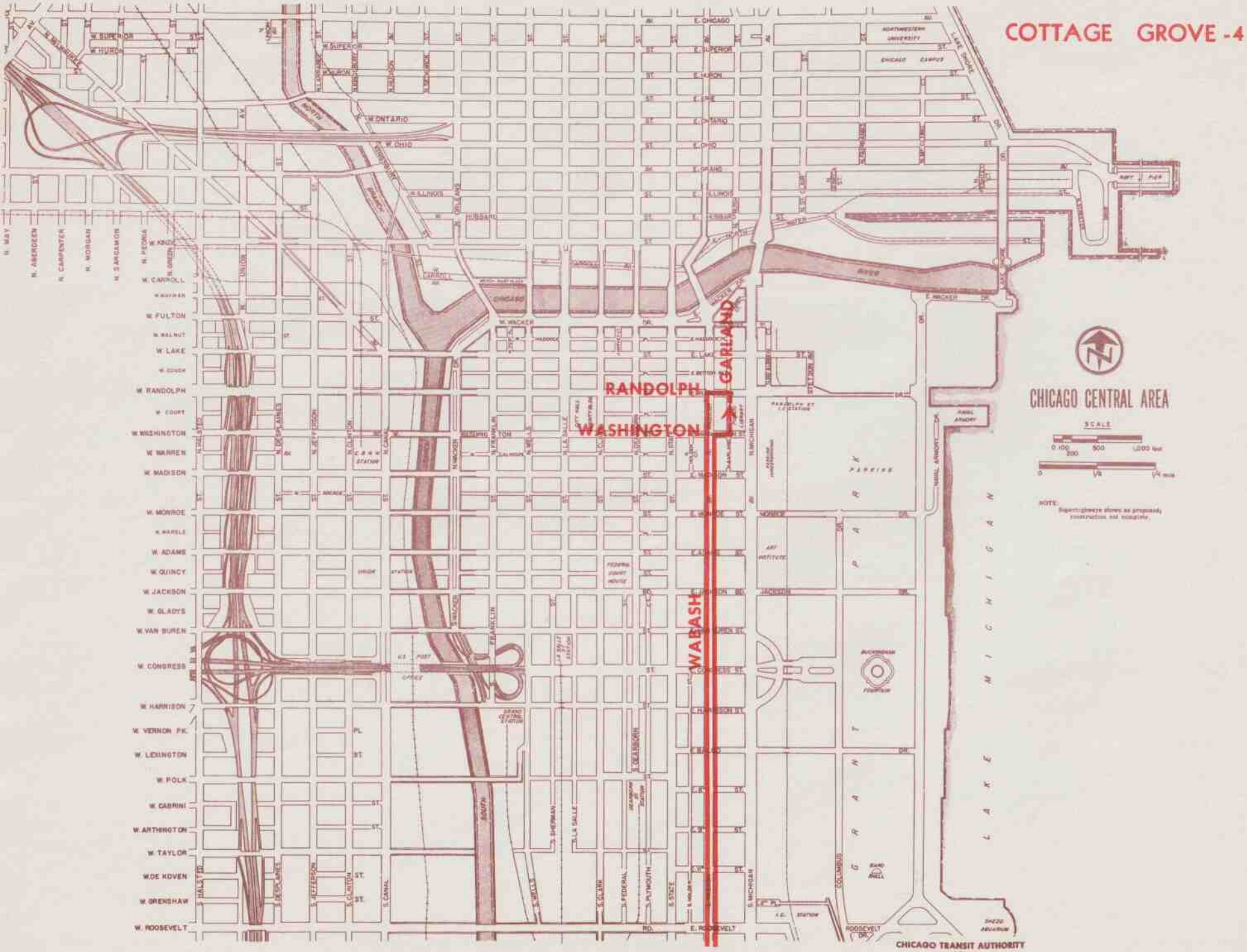
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RANDOLPH
GARLAND
WASHINGTON
WABASH
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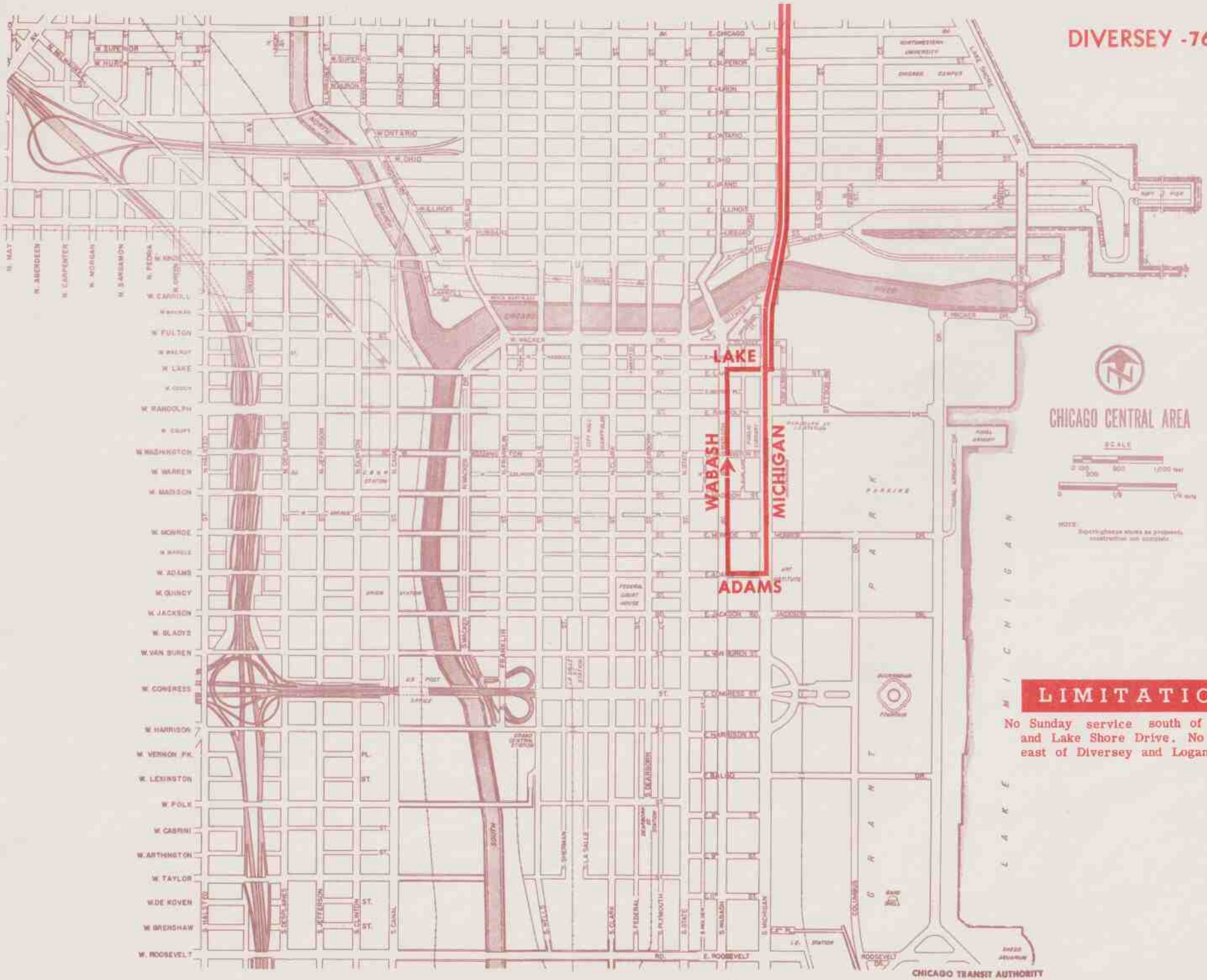
LAKE
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CHICAGO CENTRAL AREA
SCALE
LIMITATIONS
No Sunday service south of Diversey and Lake Shore Drive. No owl service east of Diversey and Logan Blvd.
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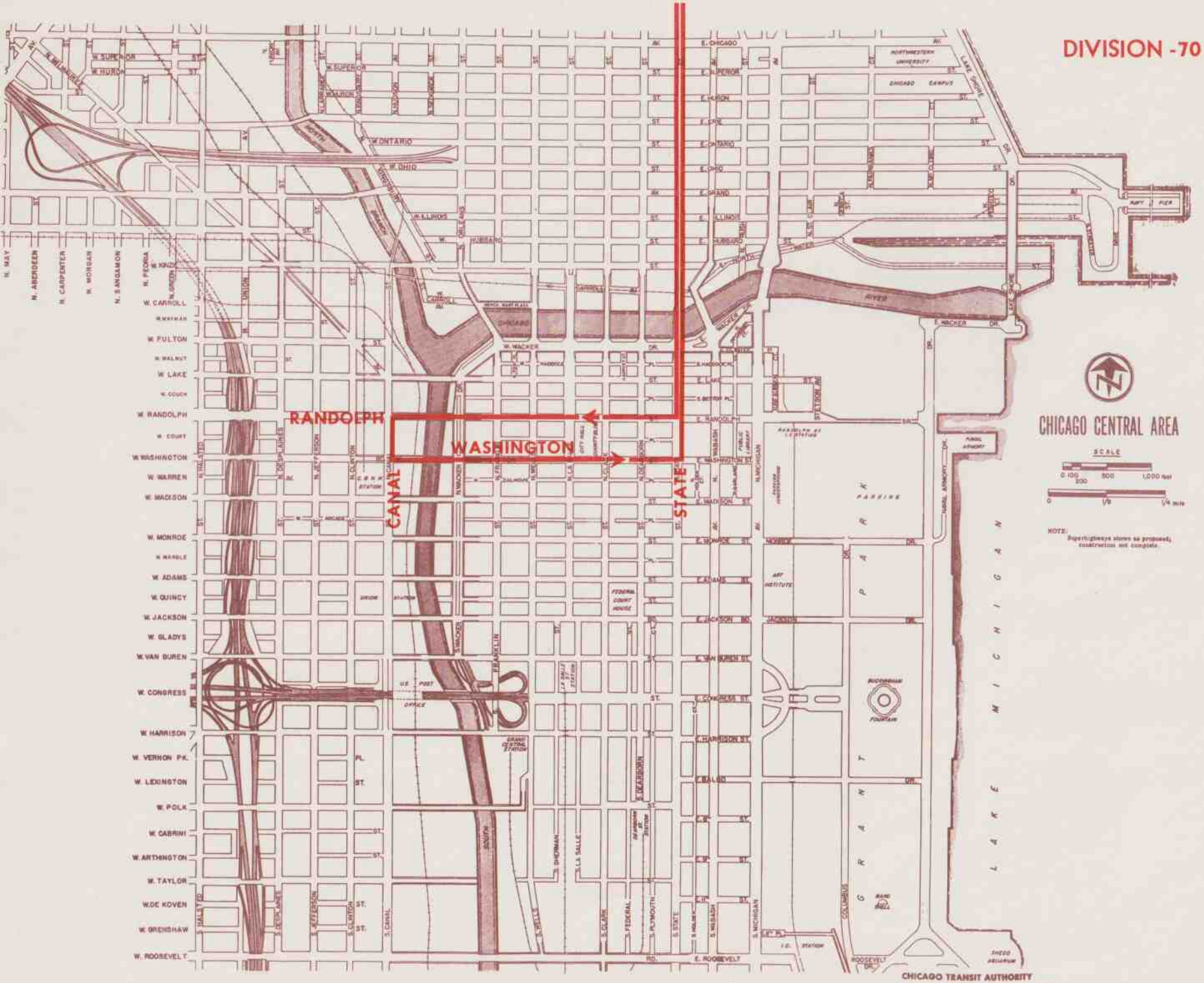
DIVISION -70
RANDOLPH
WASHINGTON
CANAL
STATE
CHICAGO CENTRAL AREA
SCALE
NOTE:
Superhighways shown as proposed; construction not complete.
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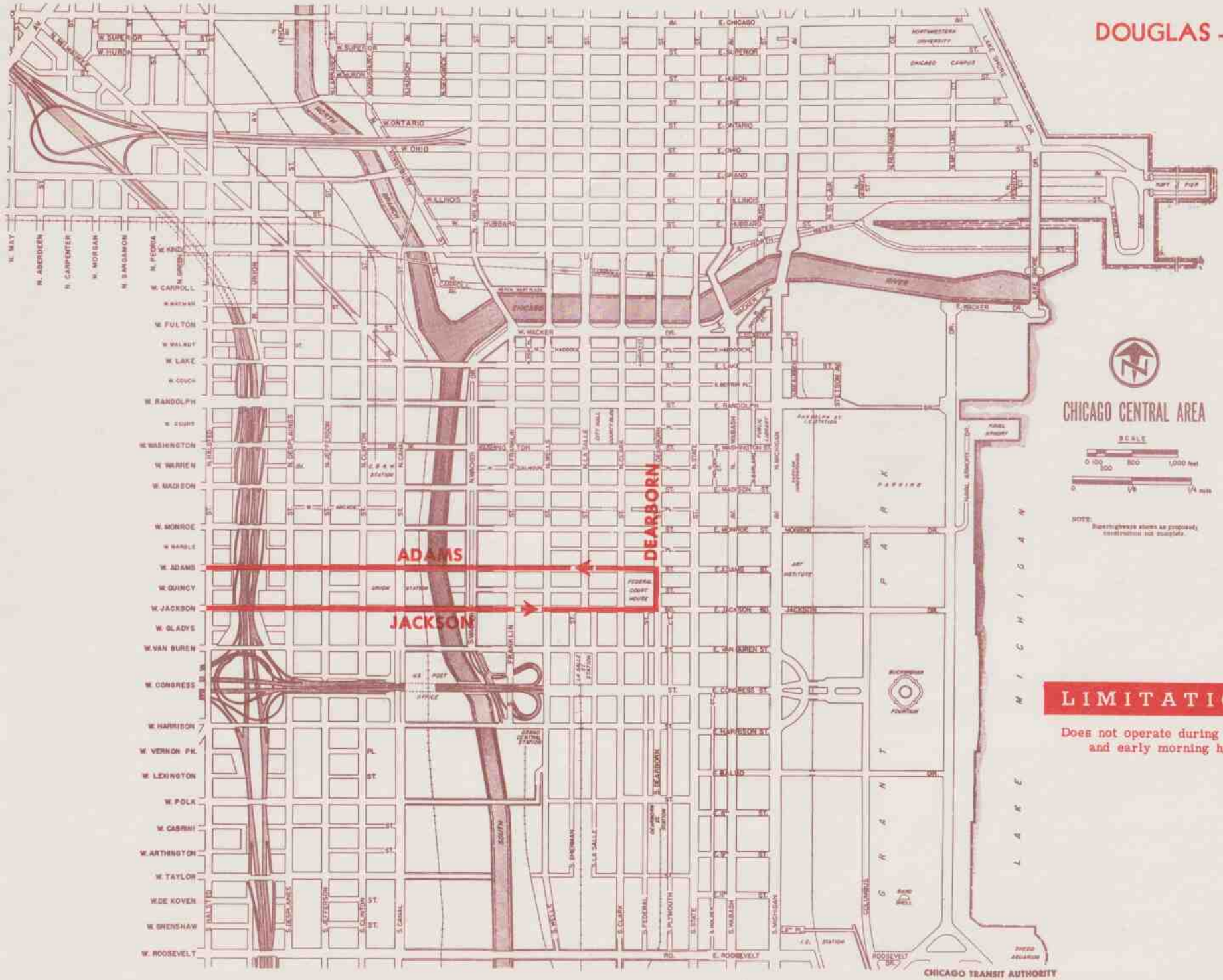
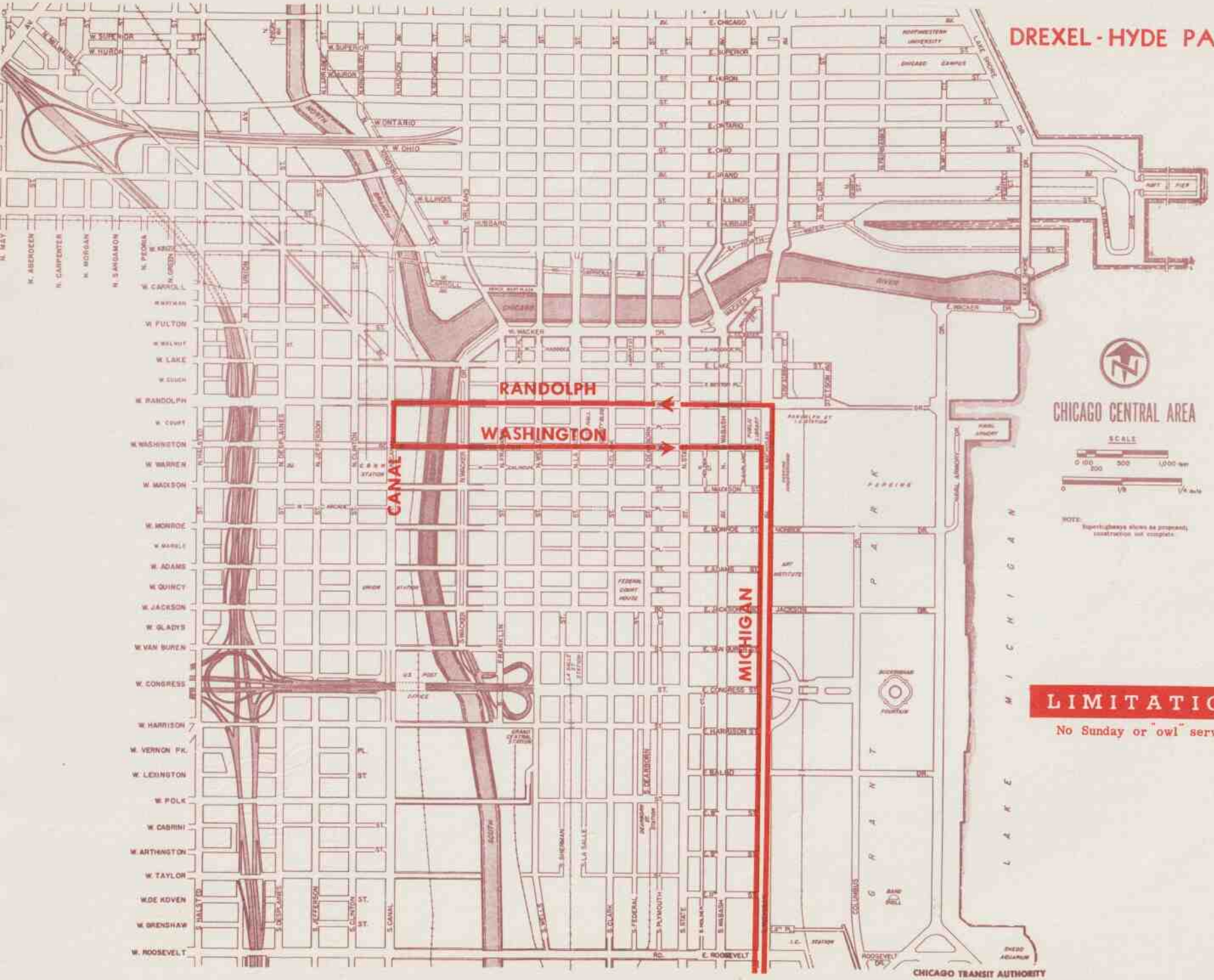
DOUGLAS -136



LIMITATIONS

Does not operate during midnight and early morning hours.

DREXEL - HYDE PARK -1



LIMITATIONS

No Sunday or "owl" service.

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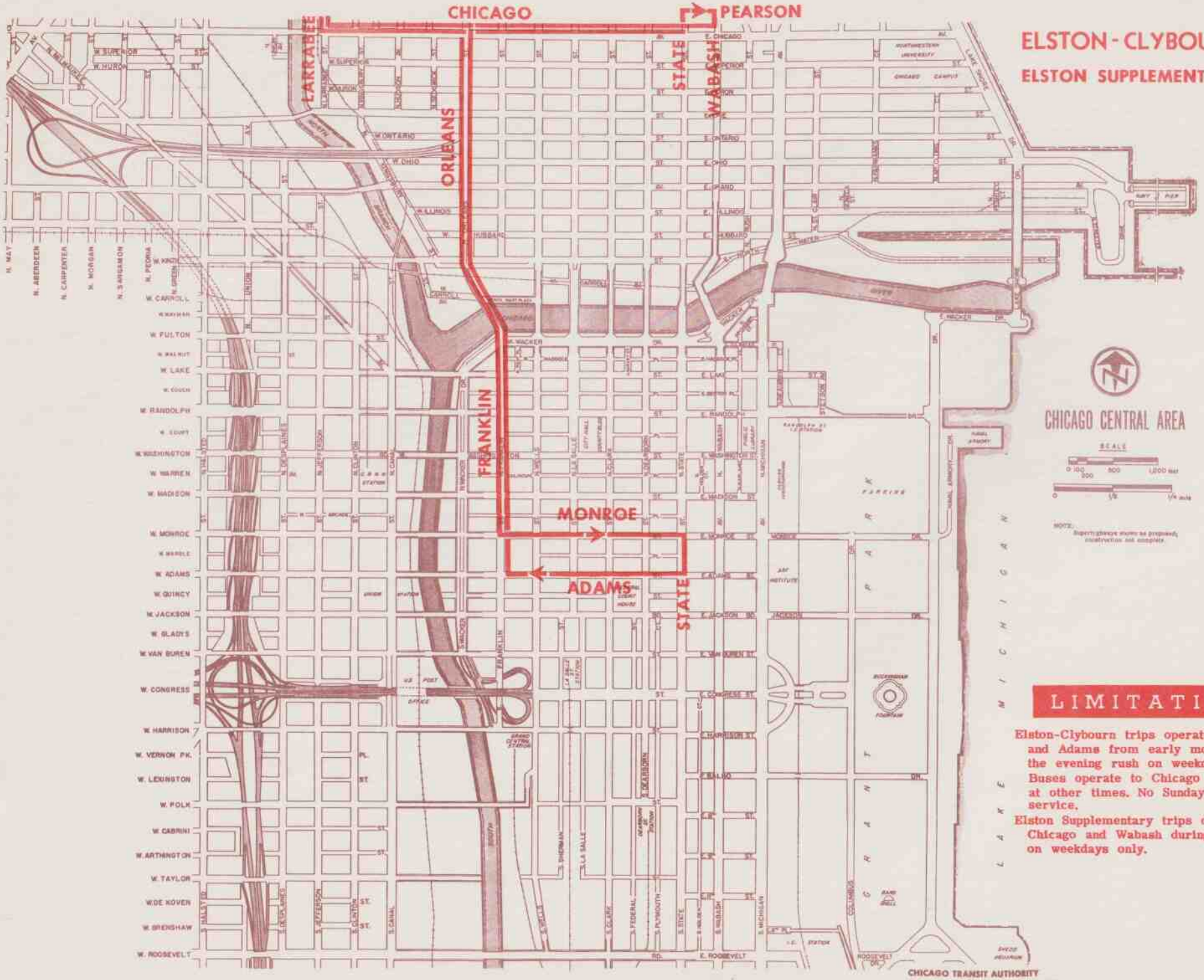
ELSTON - CLYBOURN -41

ELSTON SUPPLEMENTARY -13



LIMITATIONS

Elston-Clybourn trips operate to State and Adams from early morning through the evening rush on weekdays only. Buses operate to Chicago and Wabash at other times. No Sunday or owl service.

Elston Supplementary trips operate to Chicago and Wabash during rush hours on weekdays only.

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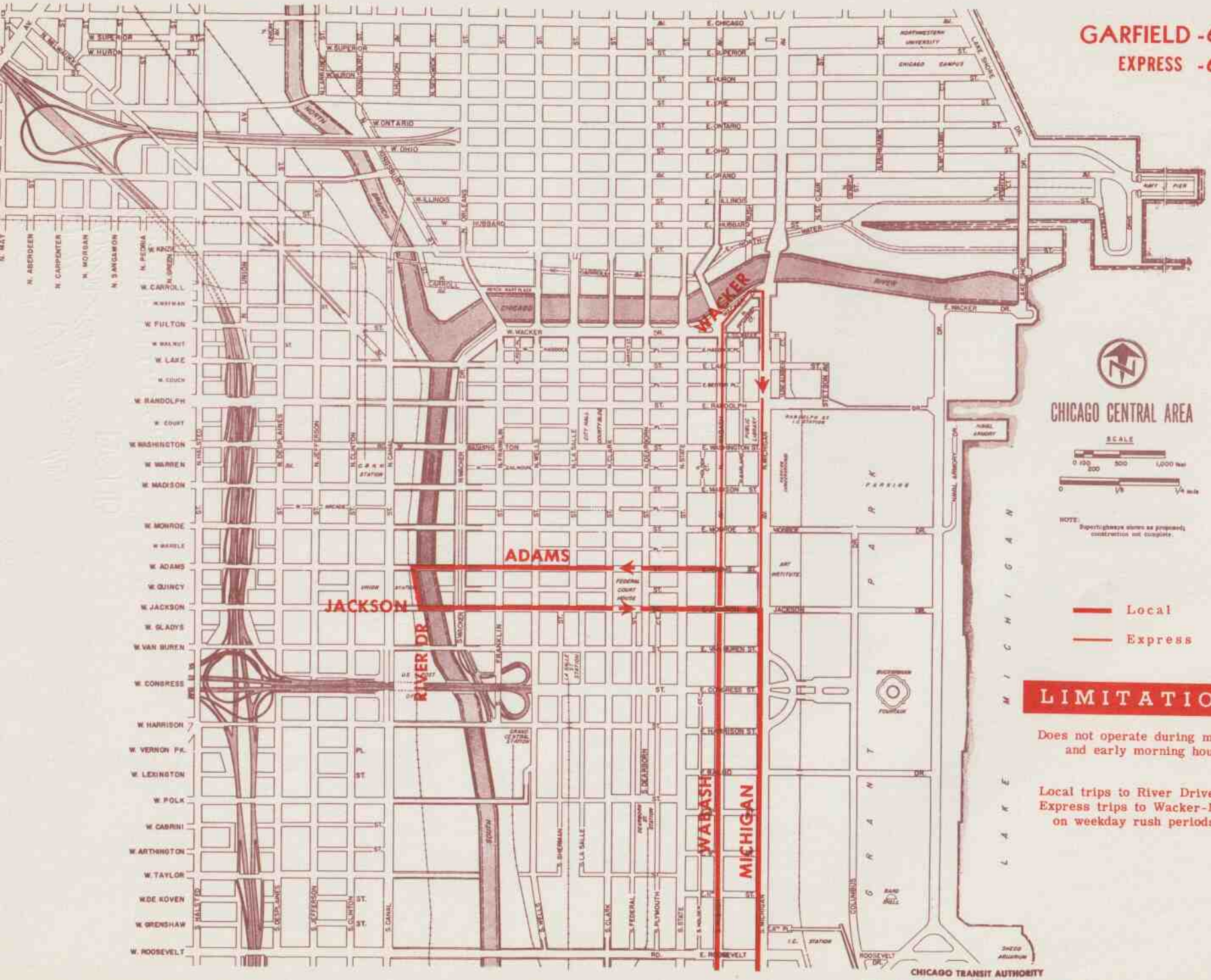
GARFIELD -6
EXPRESS -6A



LIMITATIONS

Does not operate during midnight and early morning hours.

Local trips to River Drive only. Express trips to Wacker-Michigan. on weekday rush periods only.

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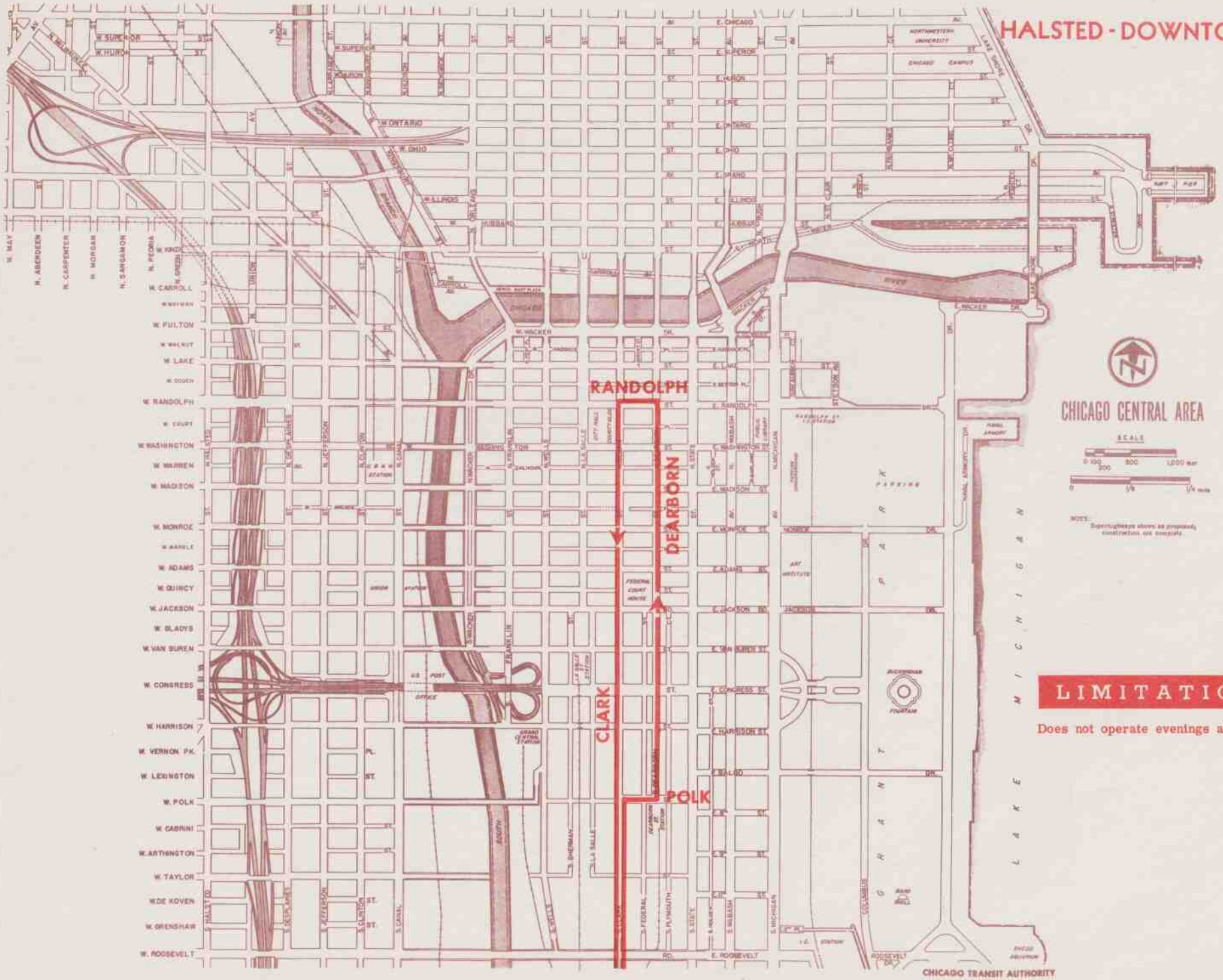
HALSTED - DOWNTOWN - 42



LIMITATIONS

Does not operate evenings and Sundays.

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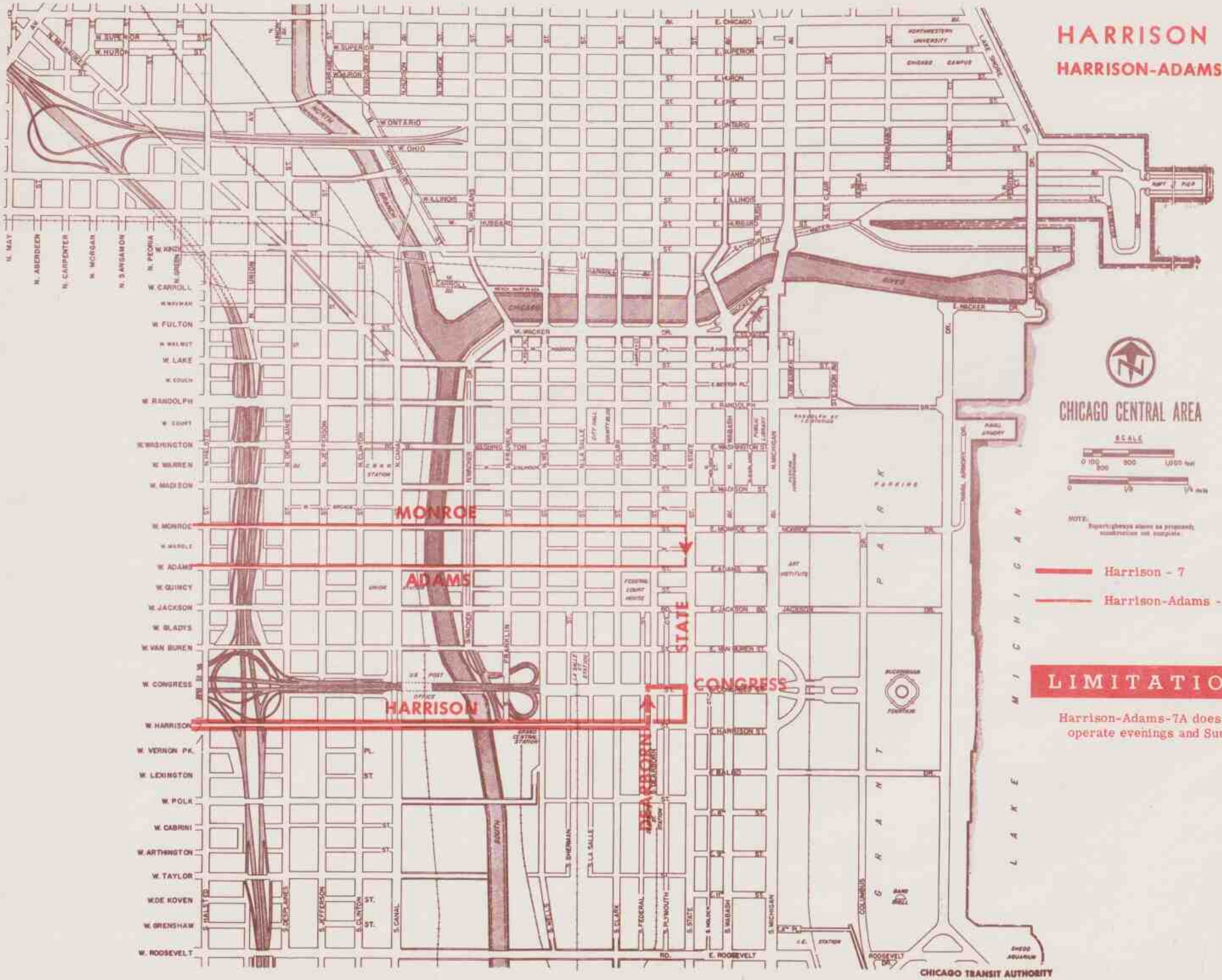
HARRISON -7

HARRISON-ADAMS -7A



LIMITATIONS

Harrison-Adams-7A does not operate evenings and Sundays

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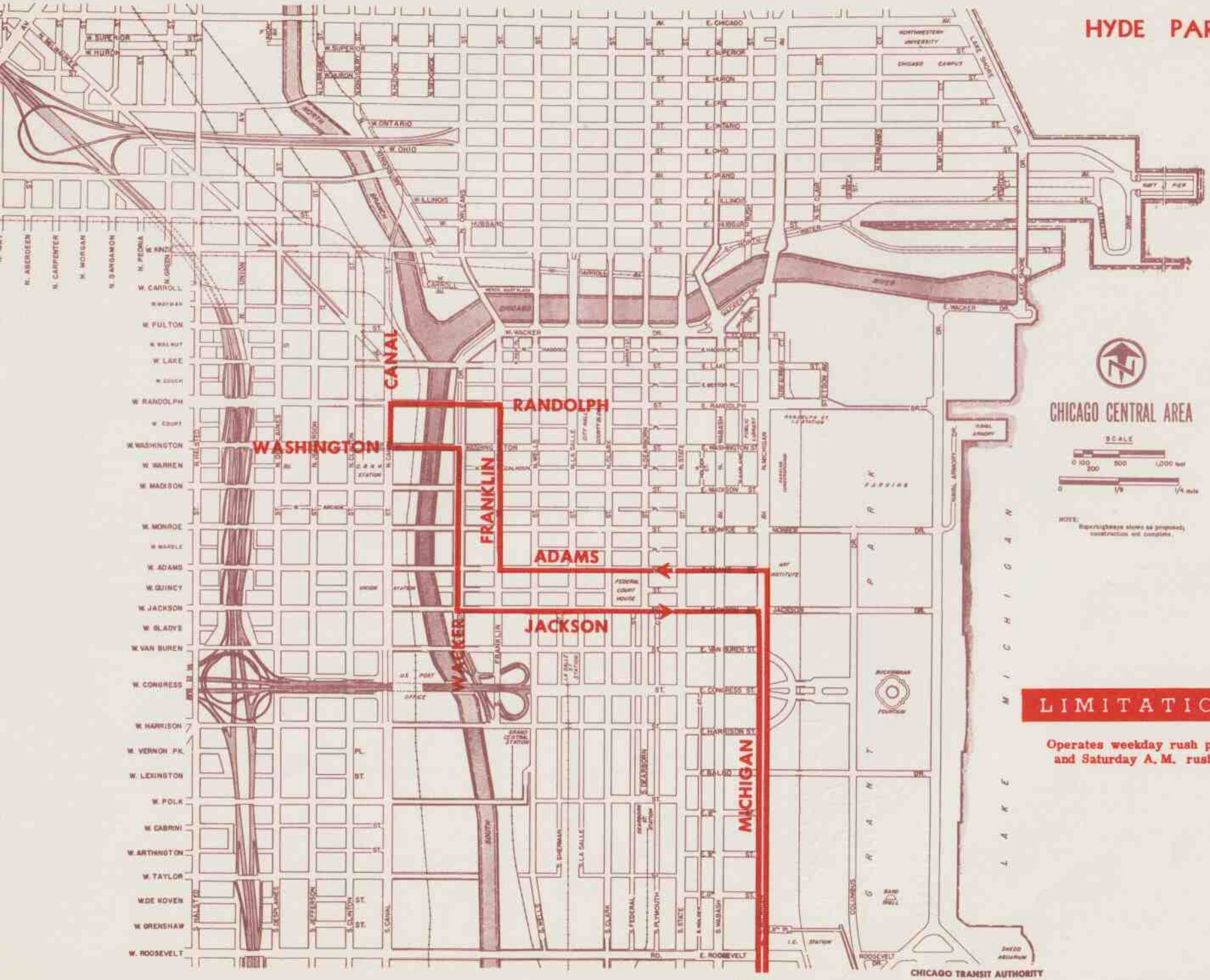
HYDE PARK -2



LIMITATIONS

Operates weekday rush periods and Saturday A.M. rush only.

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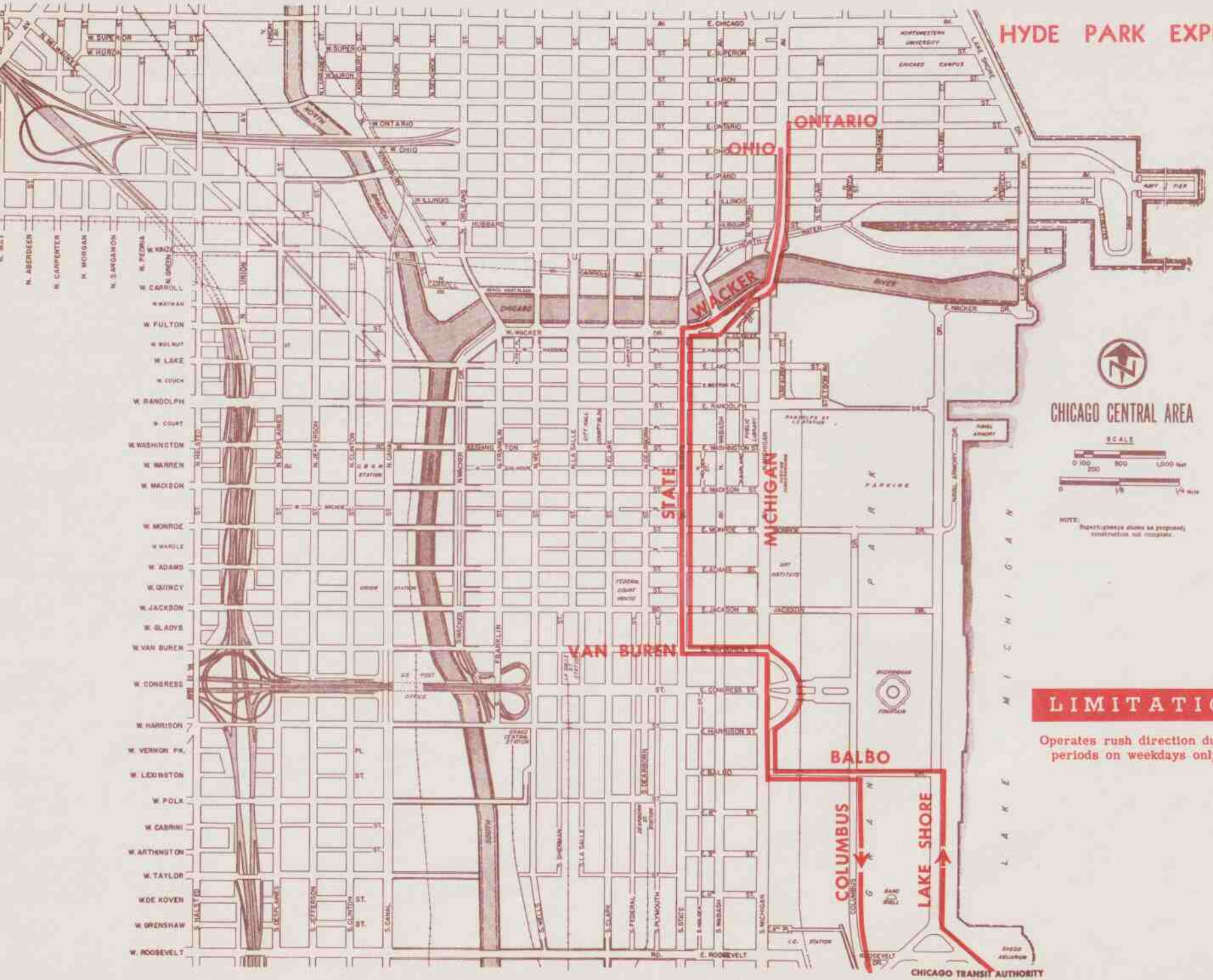
HYDE PARK EXPRESS - 2A



LIMITATIONS

Operates rush direction during rush periods on weekdays only.

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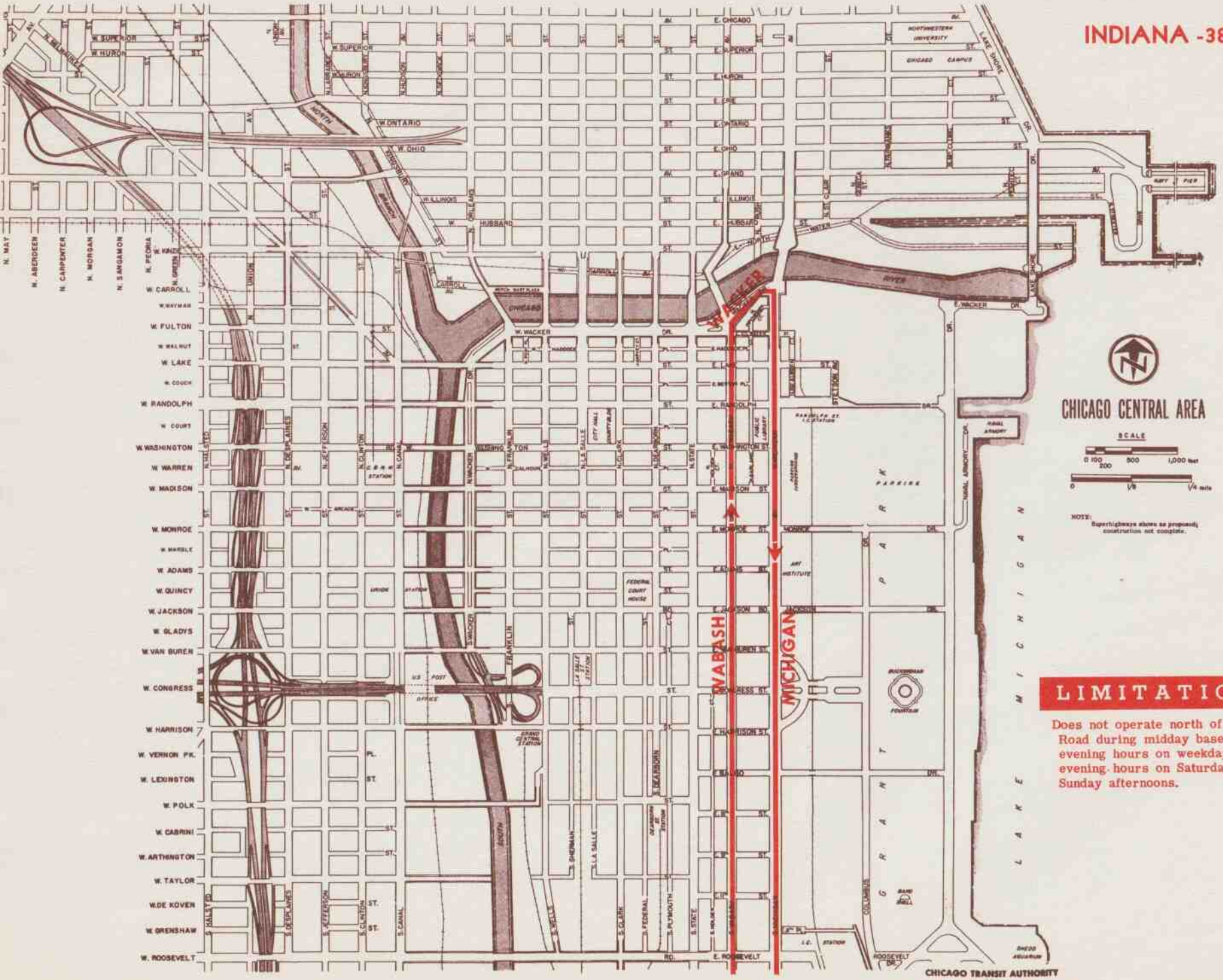
INDIANA -38



LIMITATIONS

Does not operate north of Cermak Road during midday base and early evening hours on weekdays, early evening hours on Saturdays, and Sunday afternoons.

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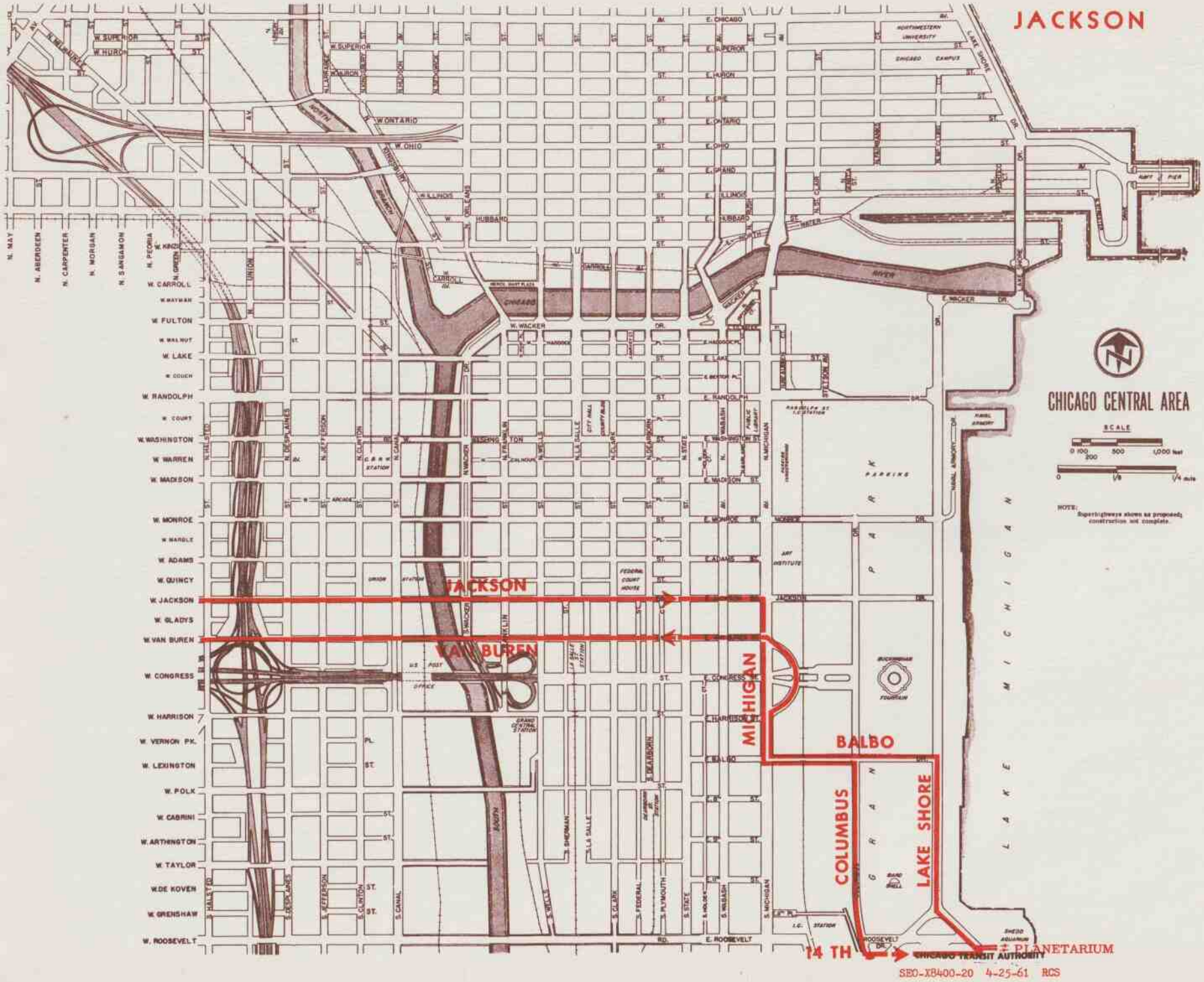

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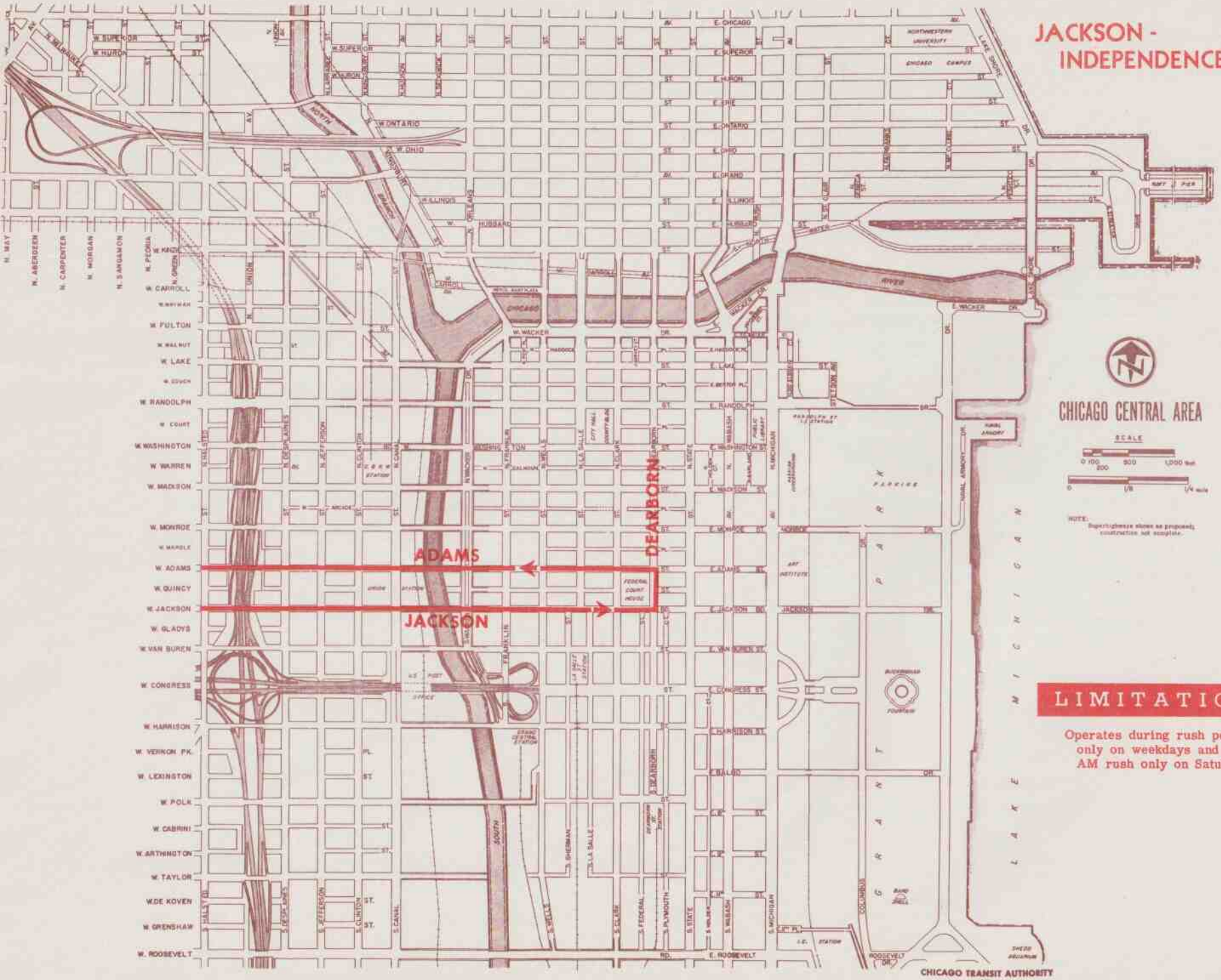

LIMITATIONS

Operates during rush periods only on weekdays and during AM rush only on Saturdays.

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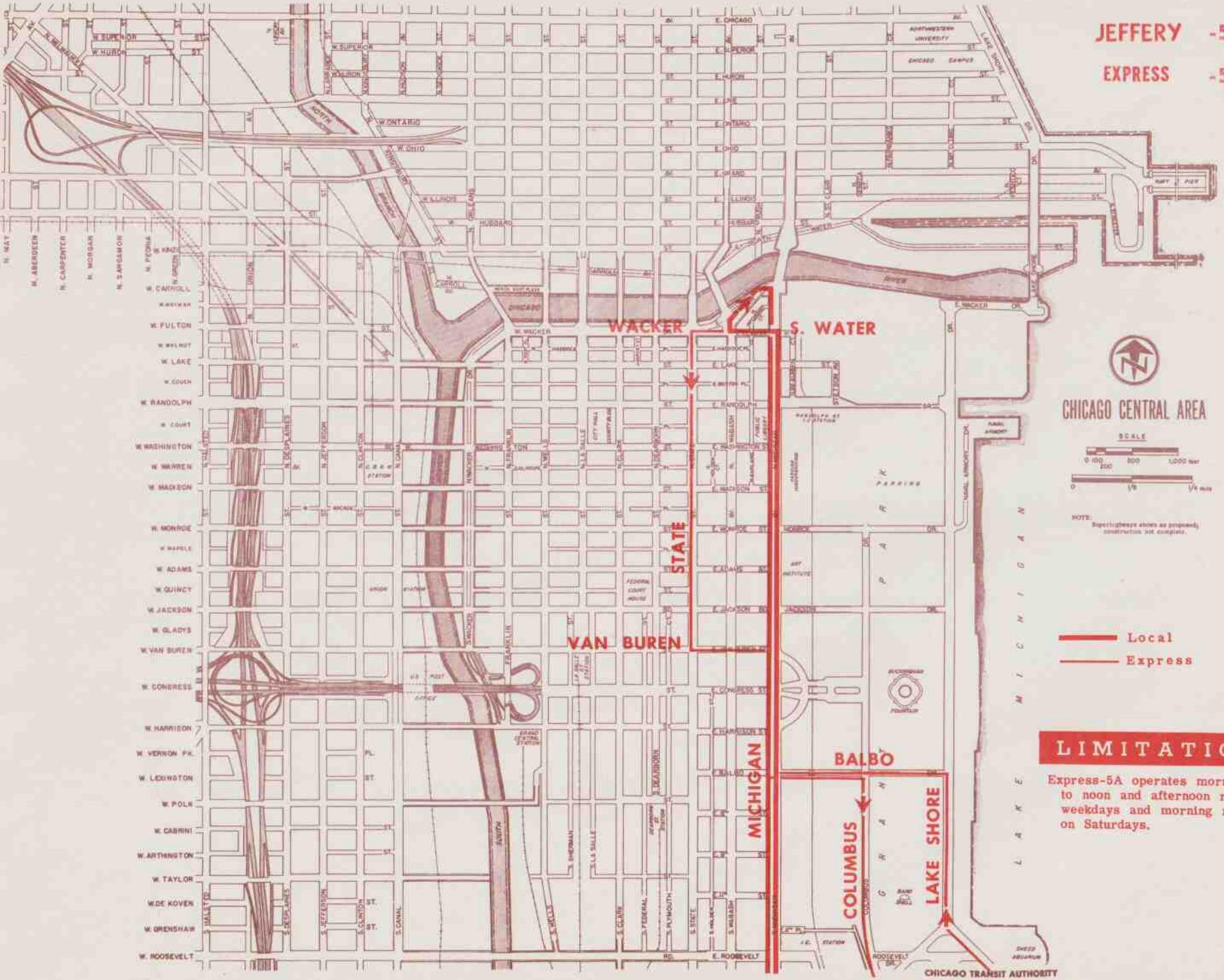

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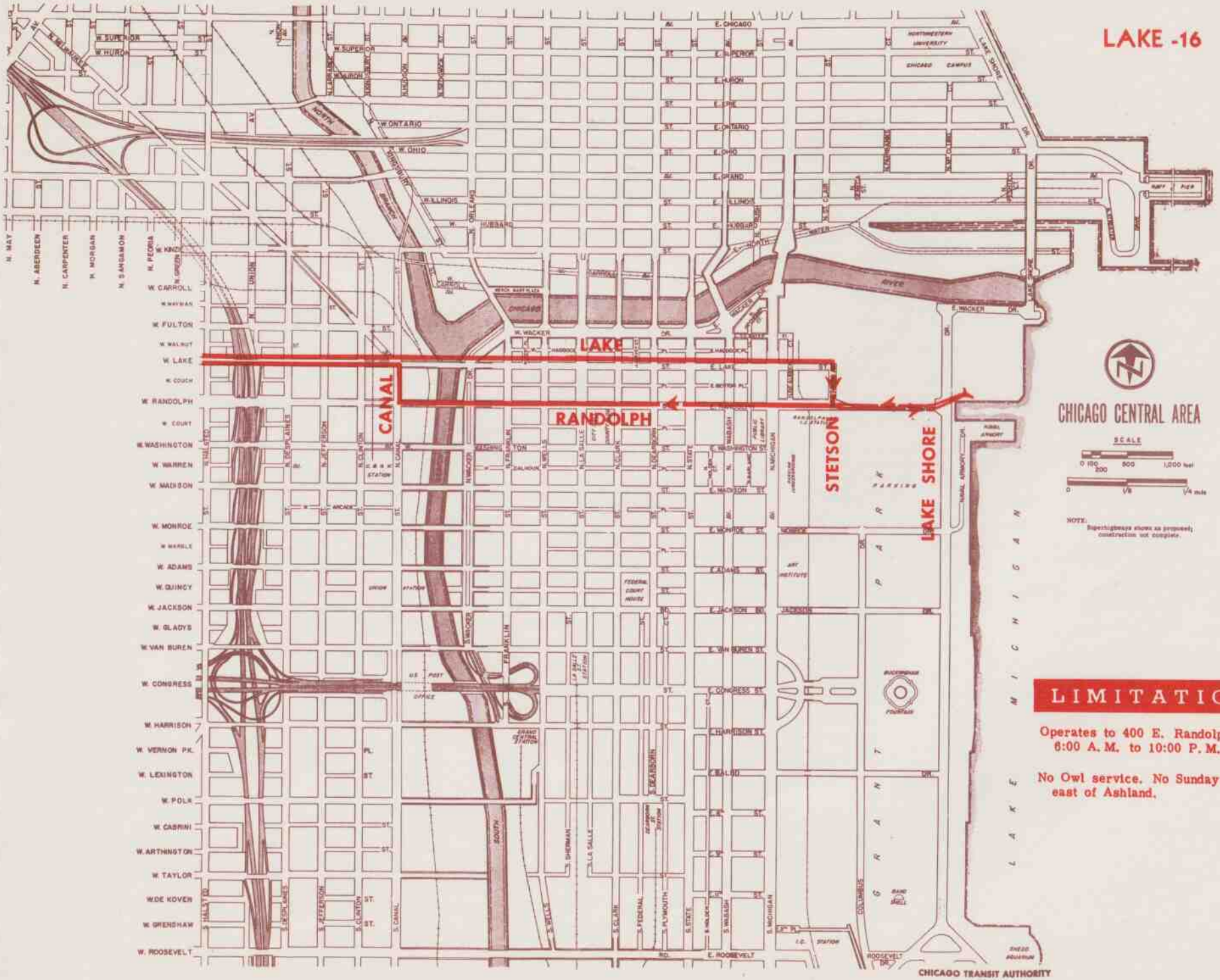
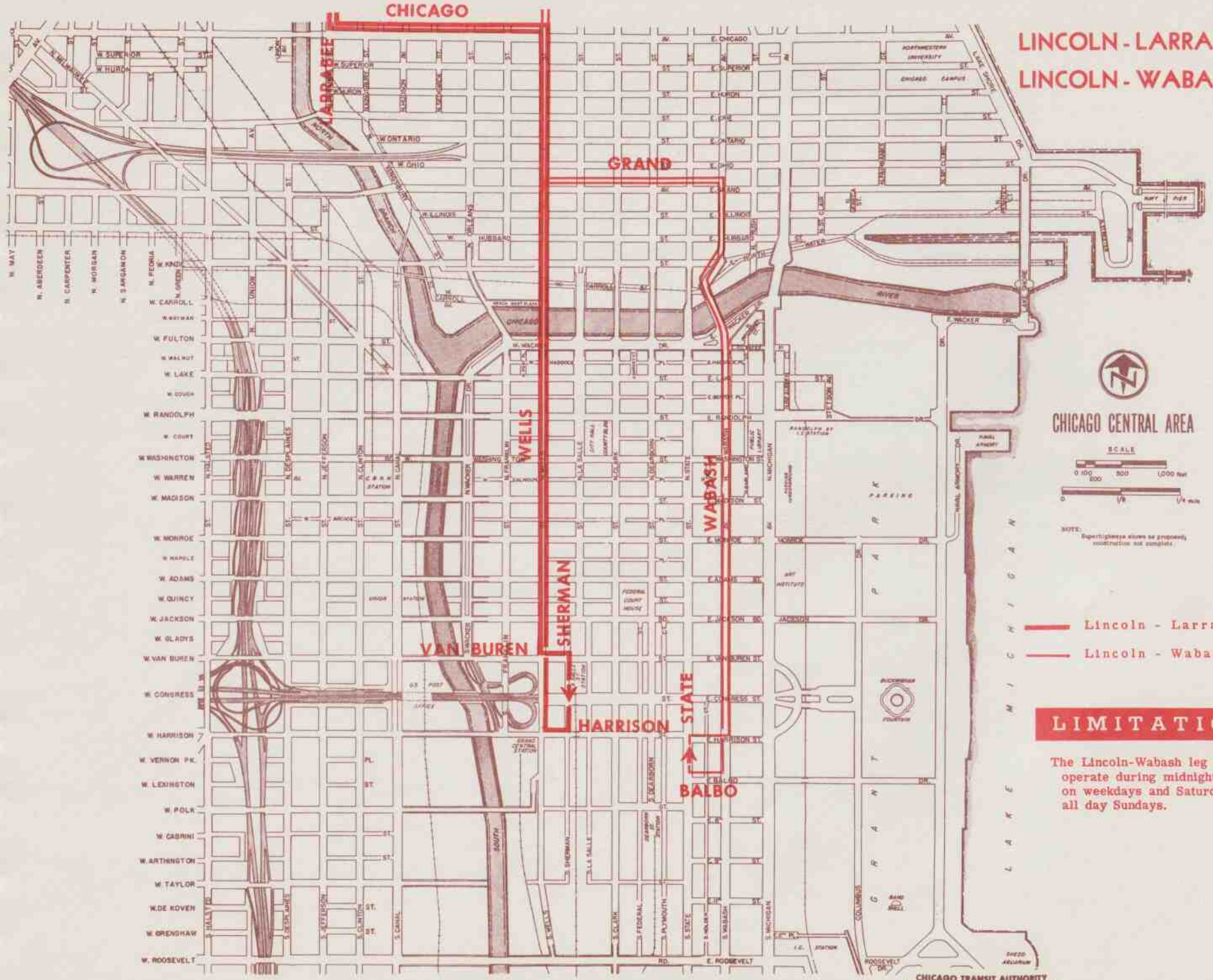
LAKE -16



LIMITATIONS

Operates to 400 E. Randolph
6:00 A. M. to 10:00 P. M.

No Owl service. No Sunday service east of Ashland.


LINCOLN - LARRABEE -10
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CHICAGO
LARRABEE
GRAND
WELLS
WABASH
SHERMAN
VAN BUREN
HARRISON
STATE
BALBO
CHICAGO CENTRAL AREA
SCALE
Lincoln - Larrabee - 10
Lincoln - Wabash - 11
LIMITATIONS
The Lincoln-Wabash leg does not operate during midnight hours on weekdays and Saturdays and all day Sundays.
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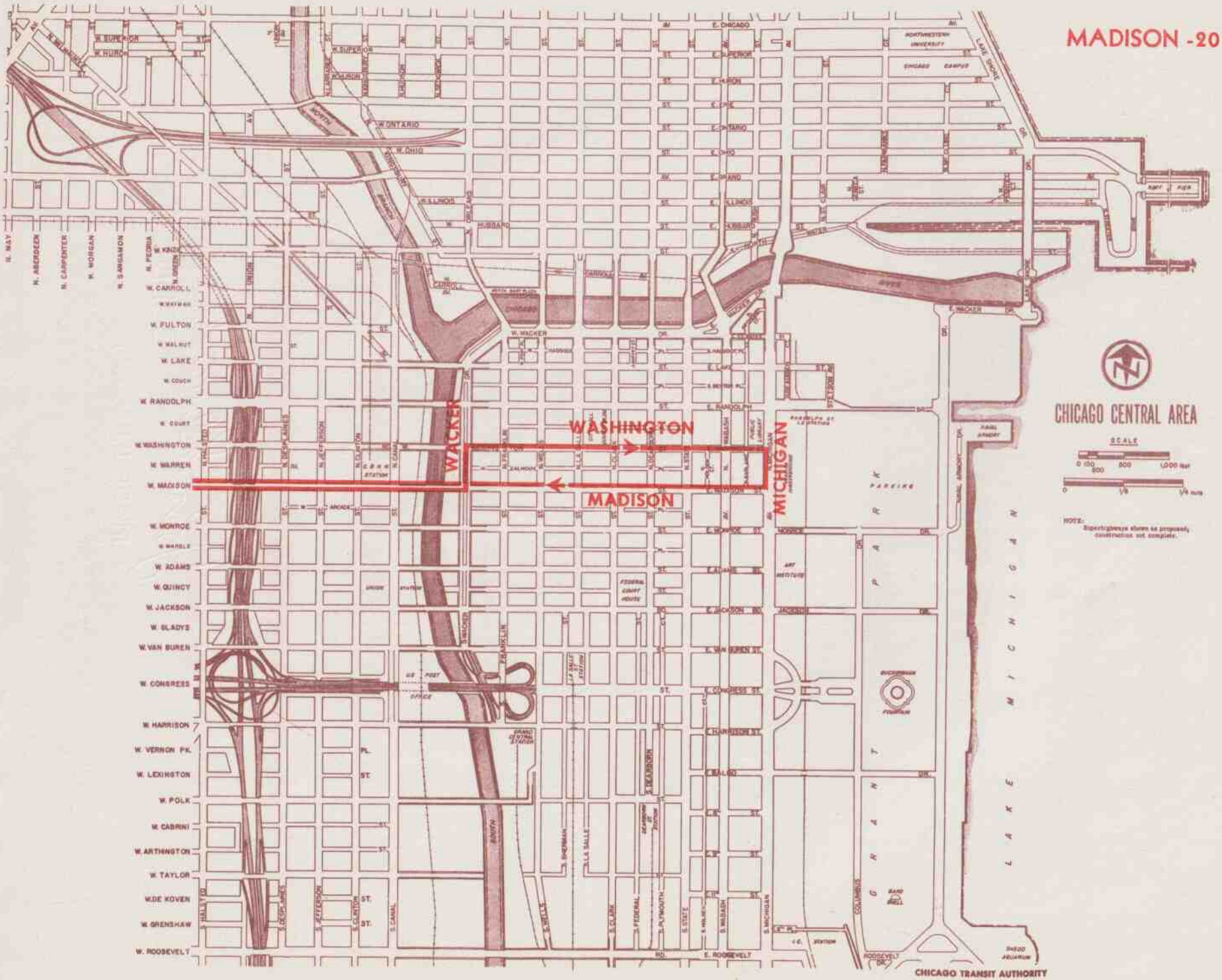
MADISON -20



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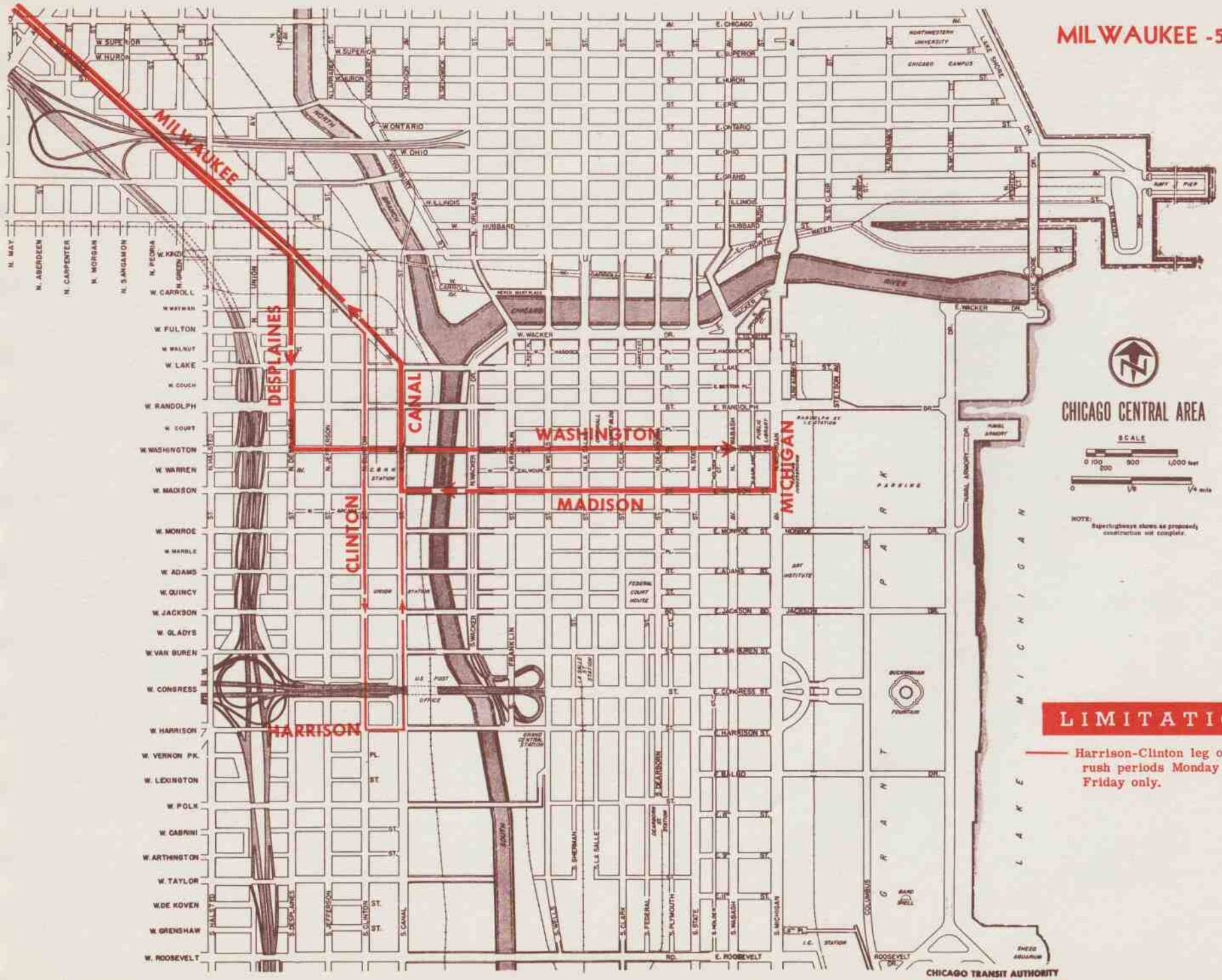
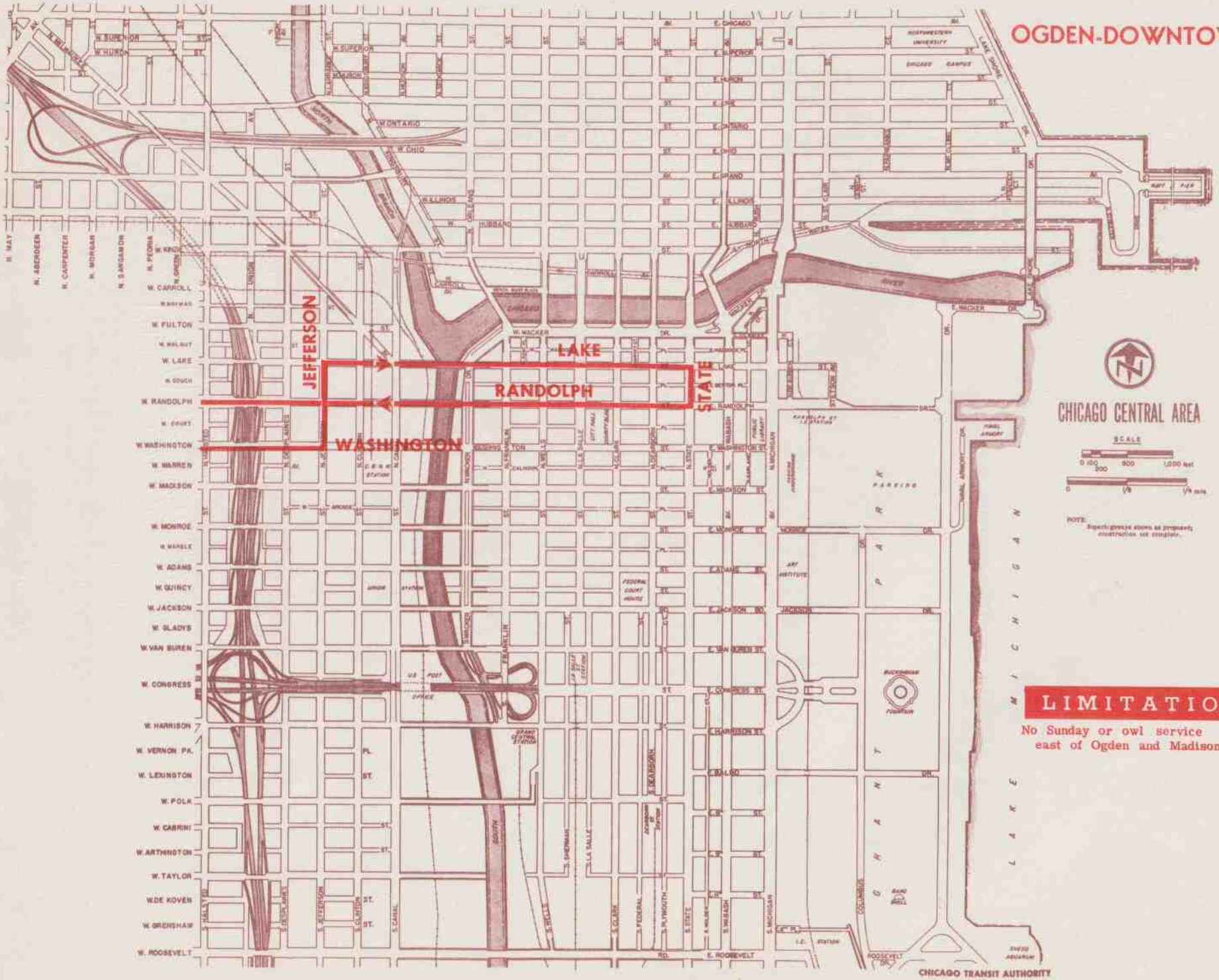


LIMITATIONS

Harrison-Clinton leg operates rush periods Monday through Friday only.

OGDEN-DOWNTOWN -58



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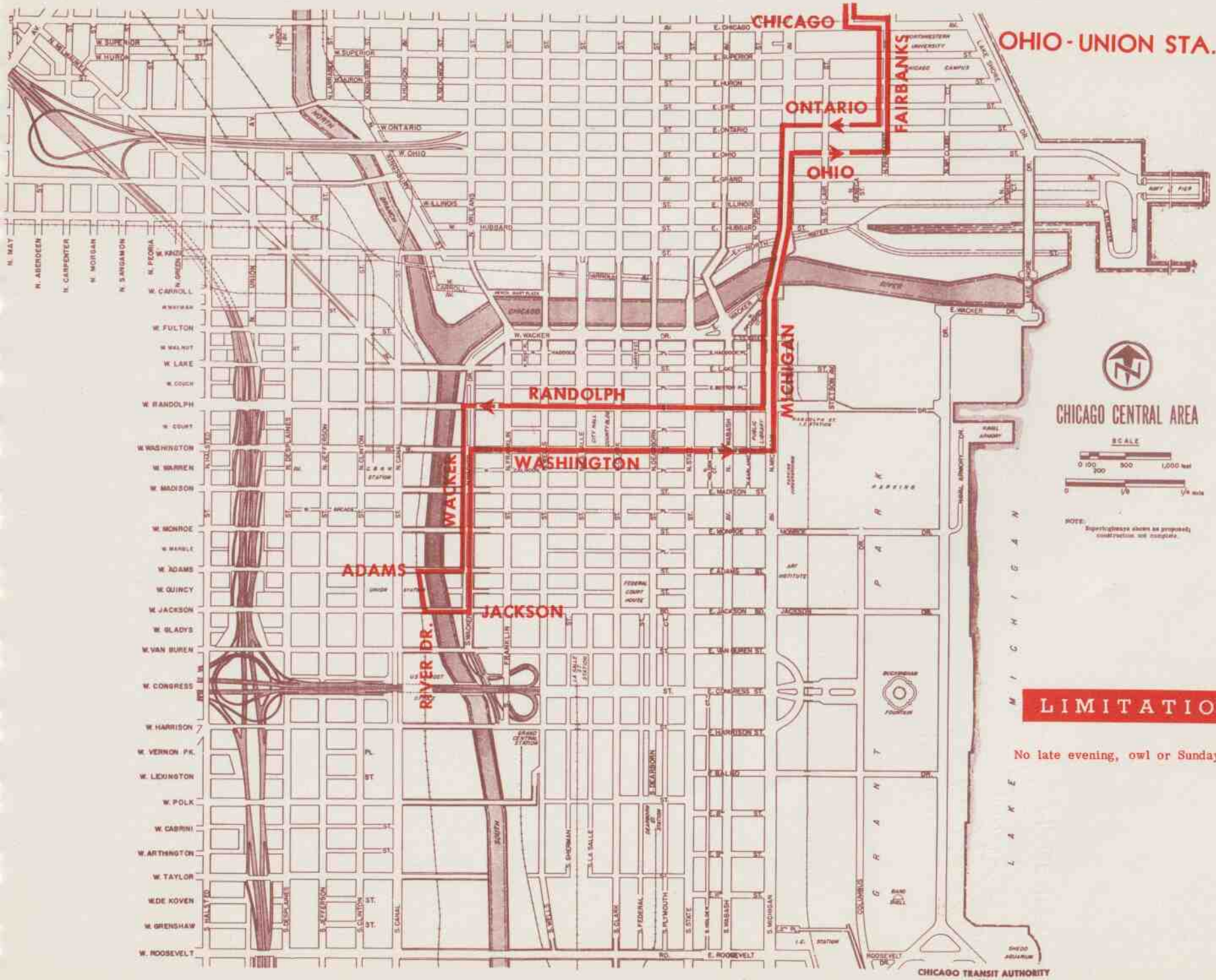
OHIO - UNION STA. -157



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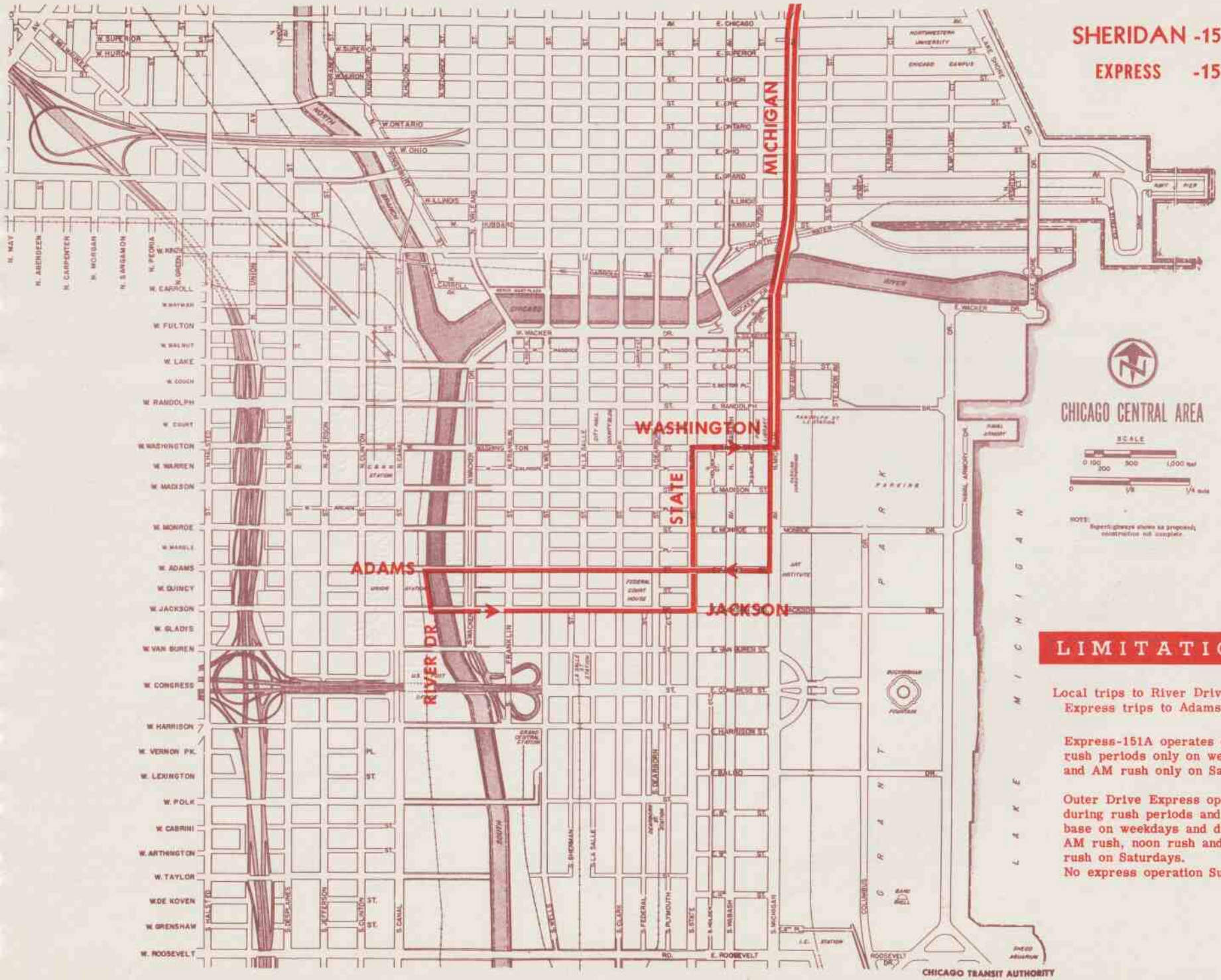

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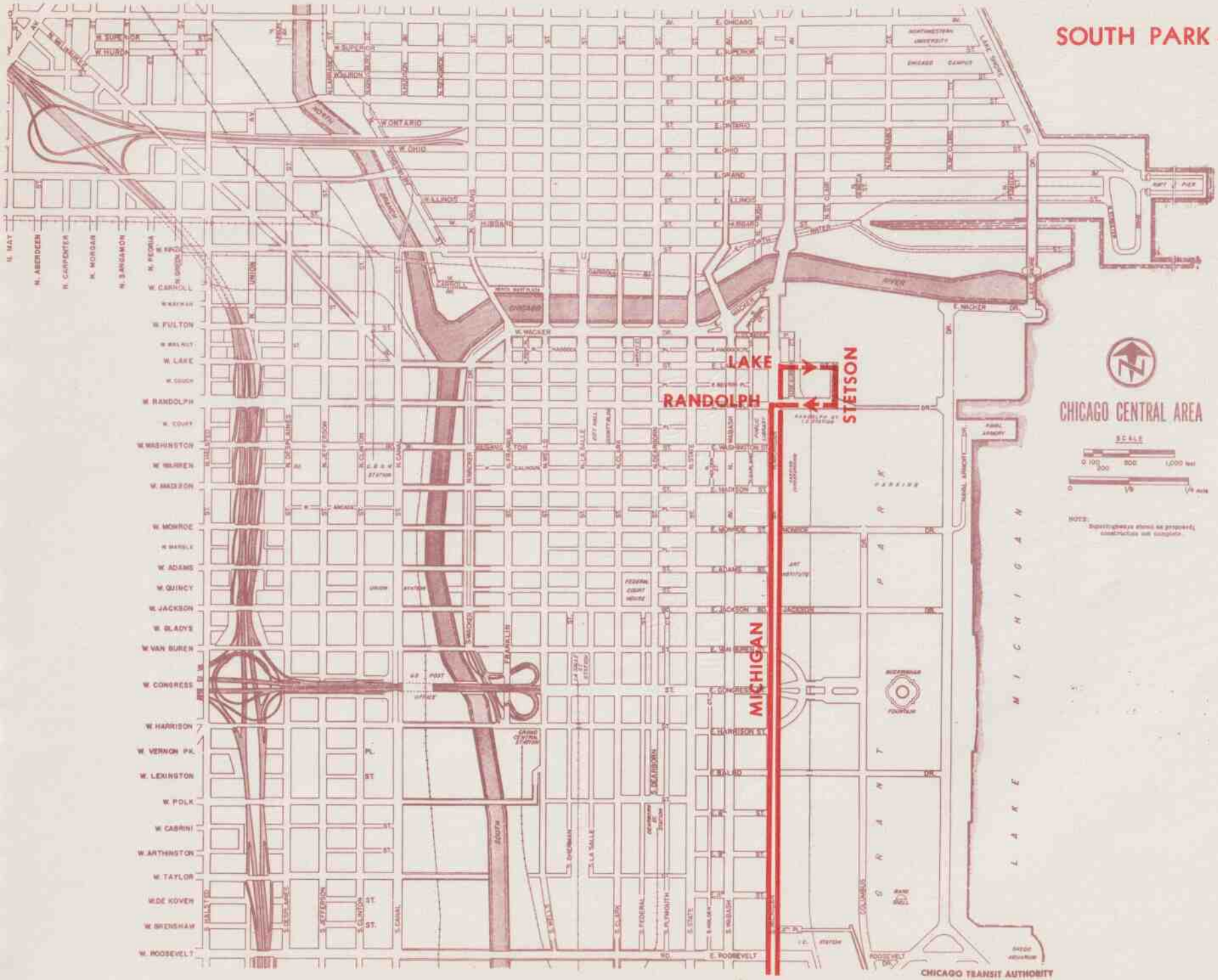
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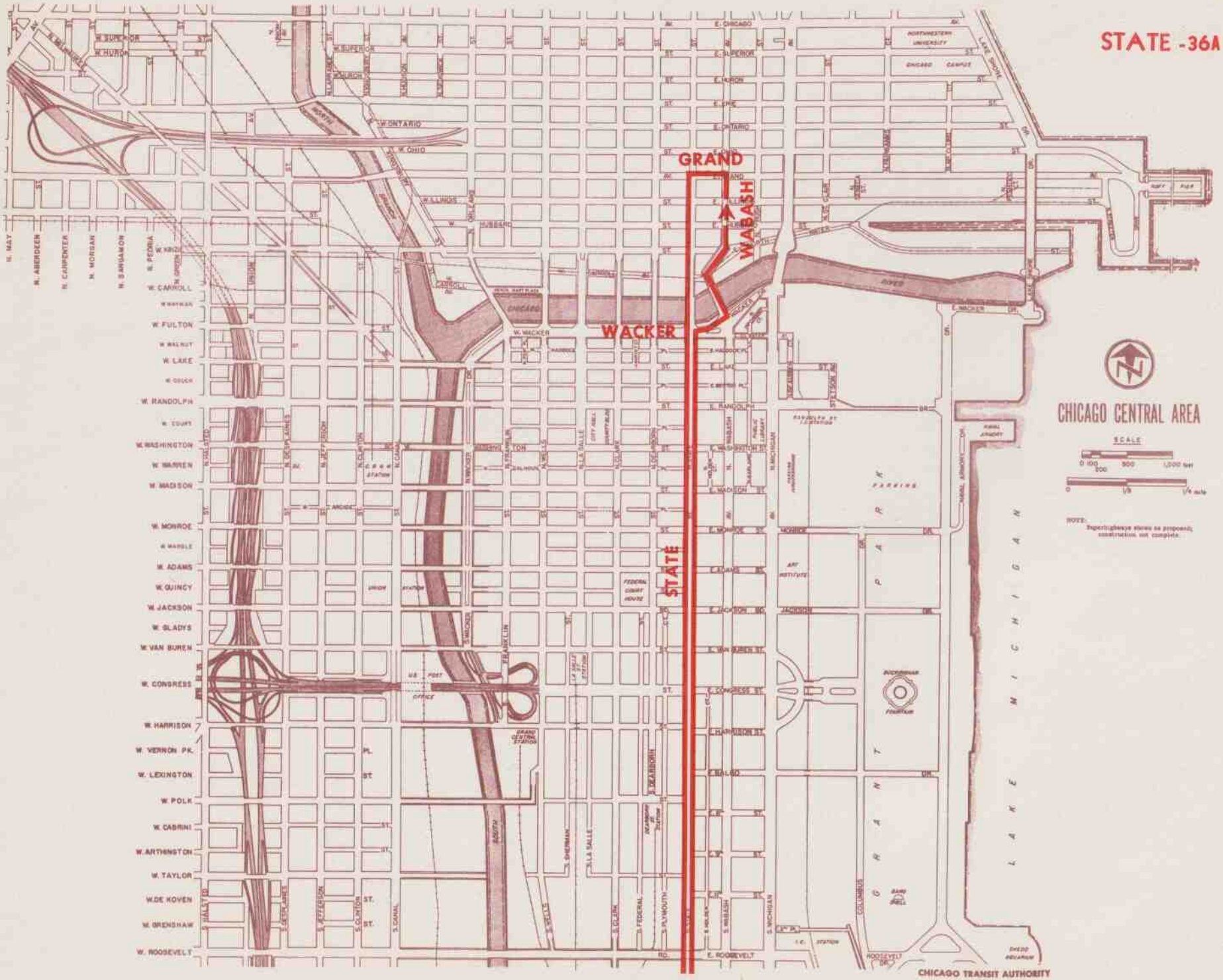

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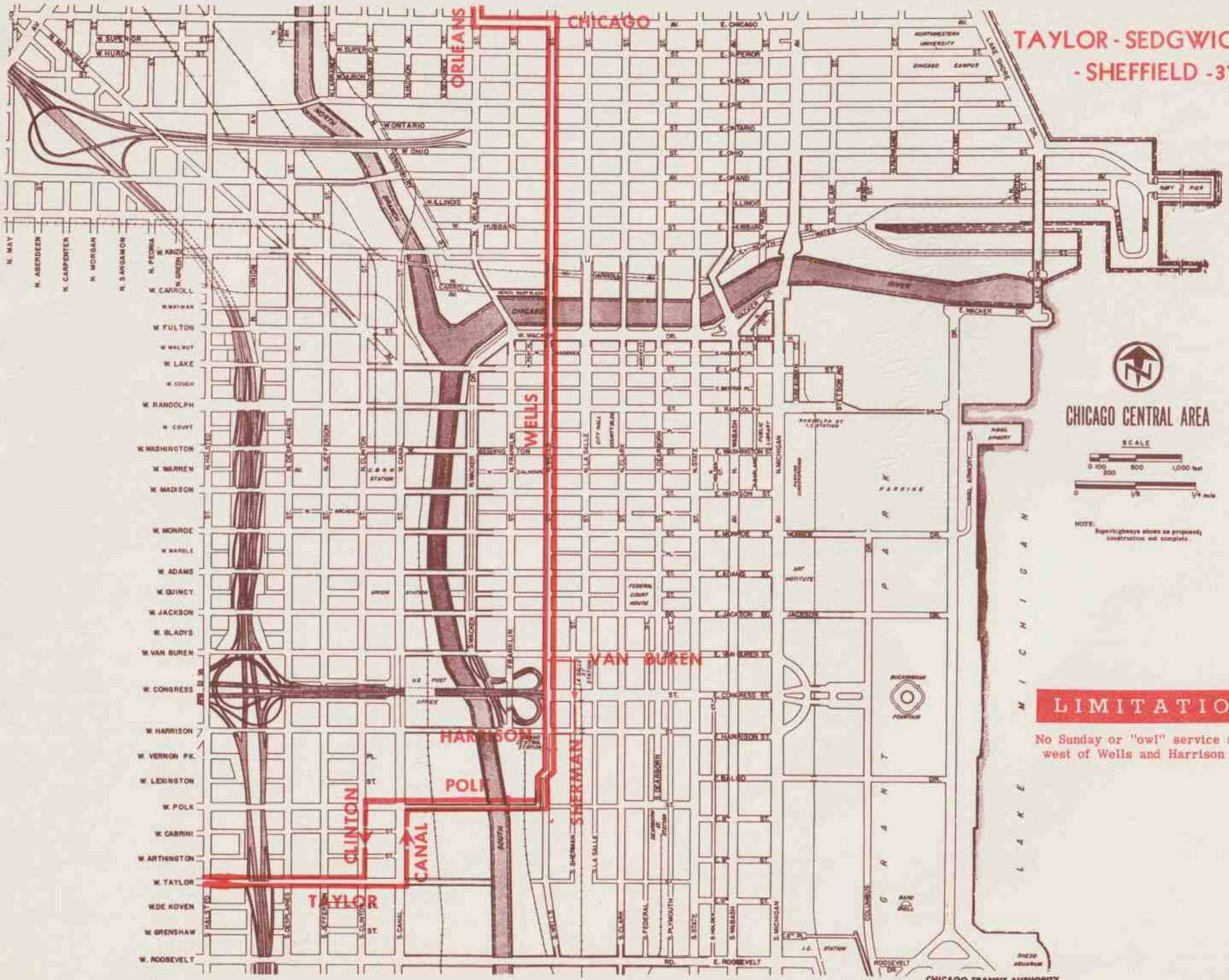

LIMITATIONS

No Sunday or "owl" service south and west of Wells and Harrison Streets.

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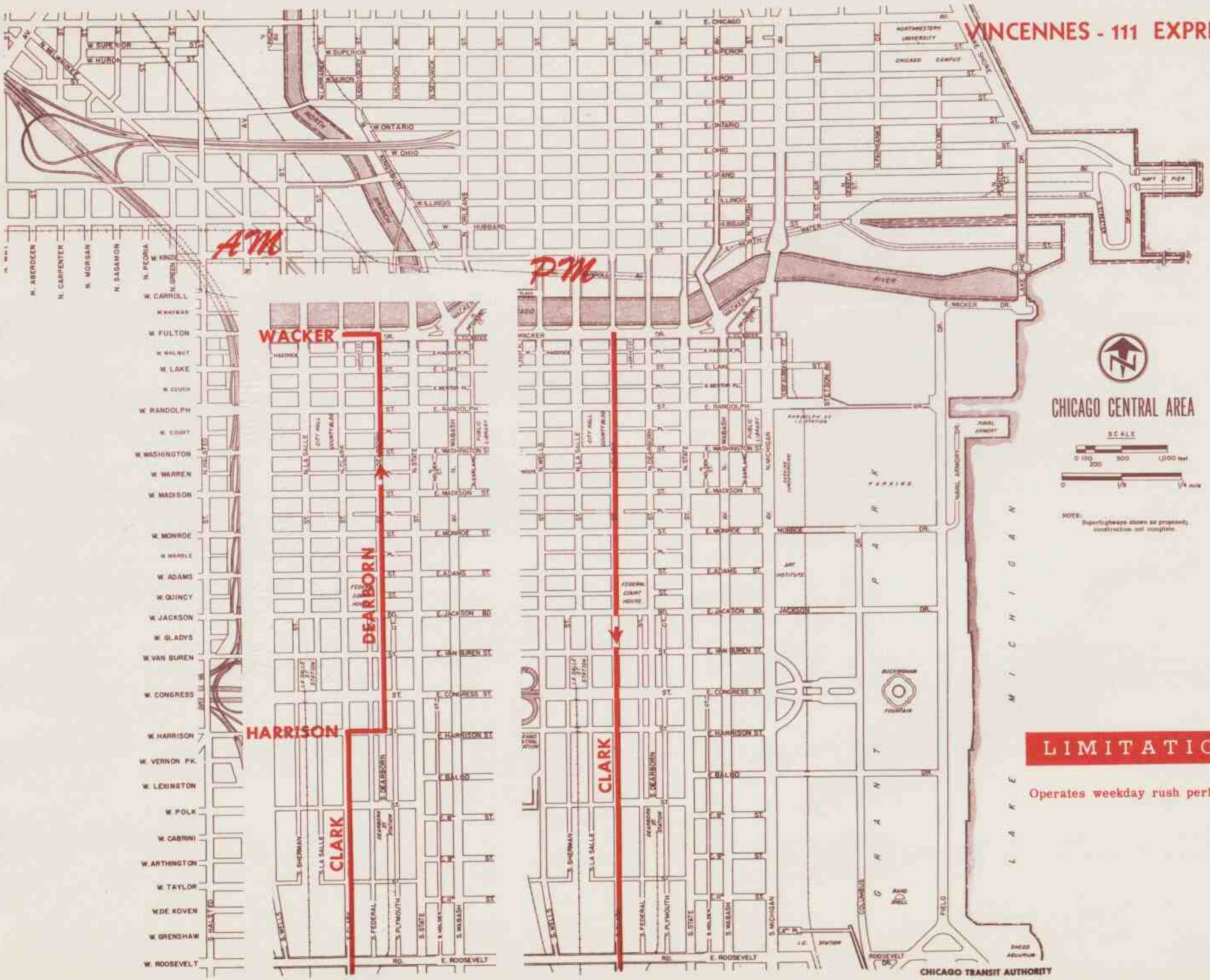
VINCENNES - 111 EXPRESS -111A



LIMITATIONS

Operates weekday rush periods only.

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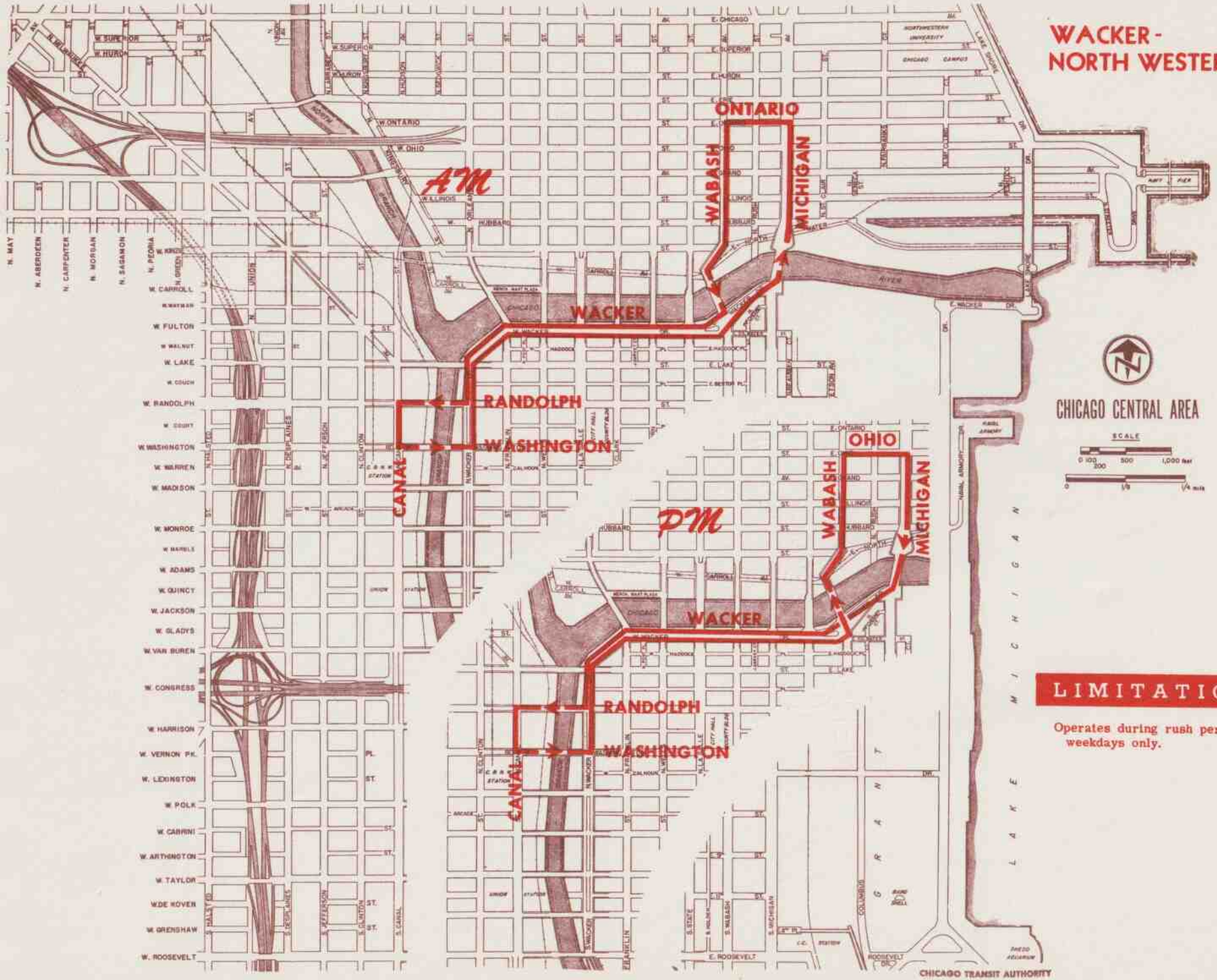
WACKER - NORTH WESTERN -158



LIMITATIONS

Operates during rush periods on weekdays only.

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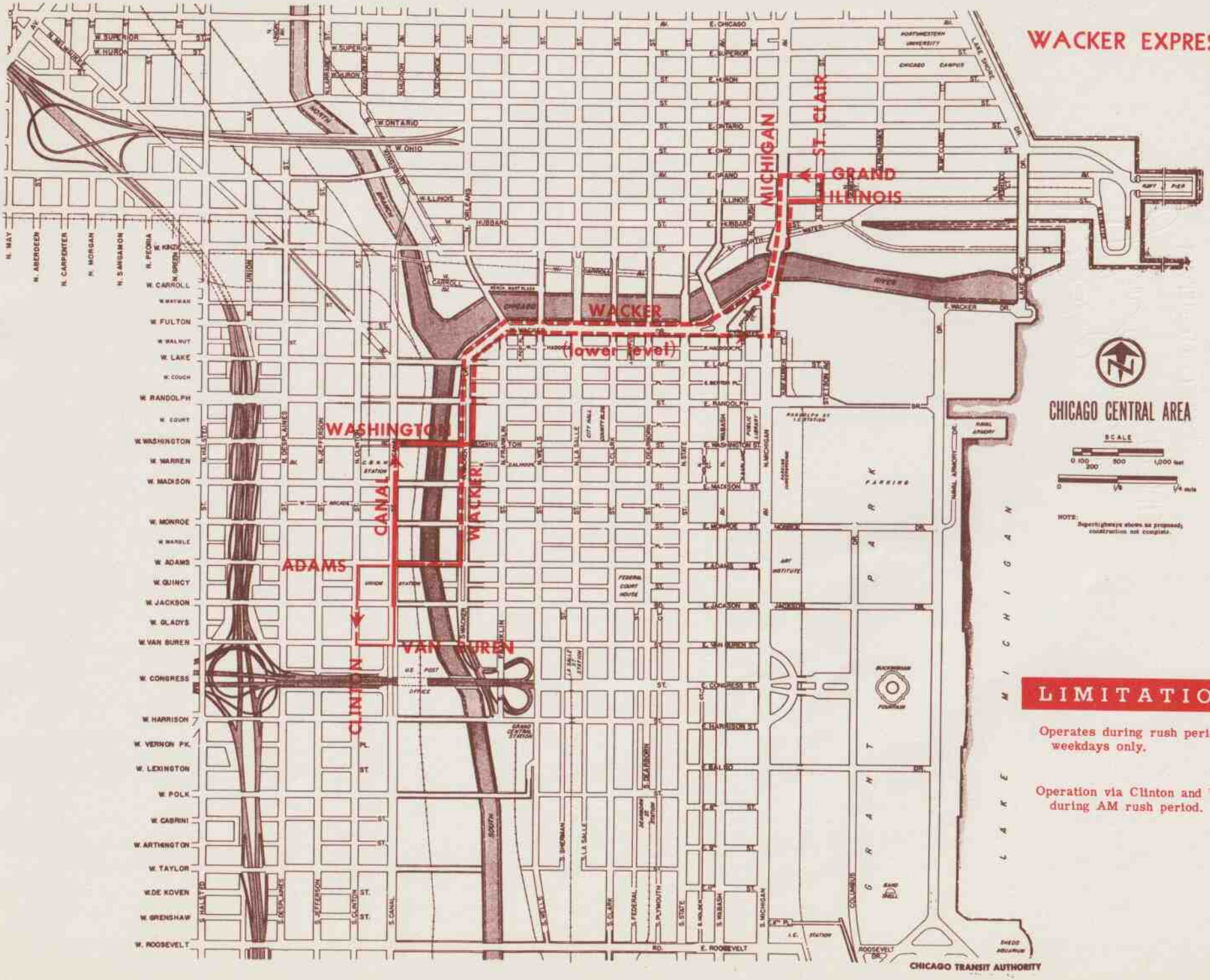
WACKER EXPRESS -158 A



LIMITATIONS

Operates during rush periods on weekdays only.

Operation via Clinton and Van Buren during AM rush period.

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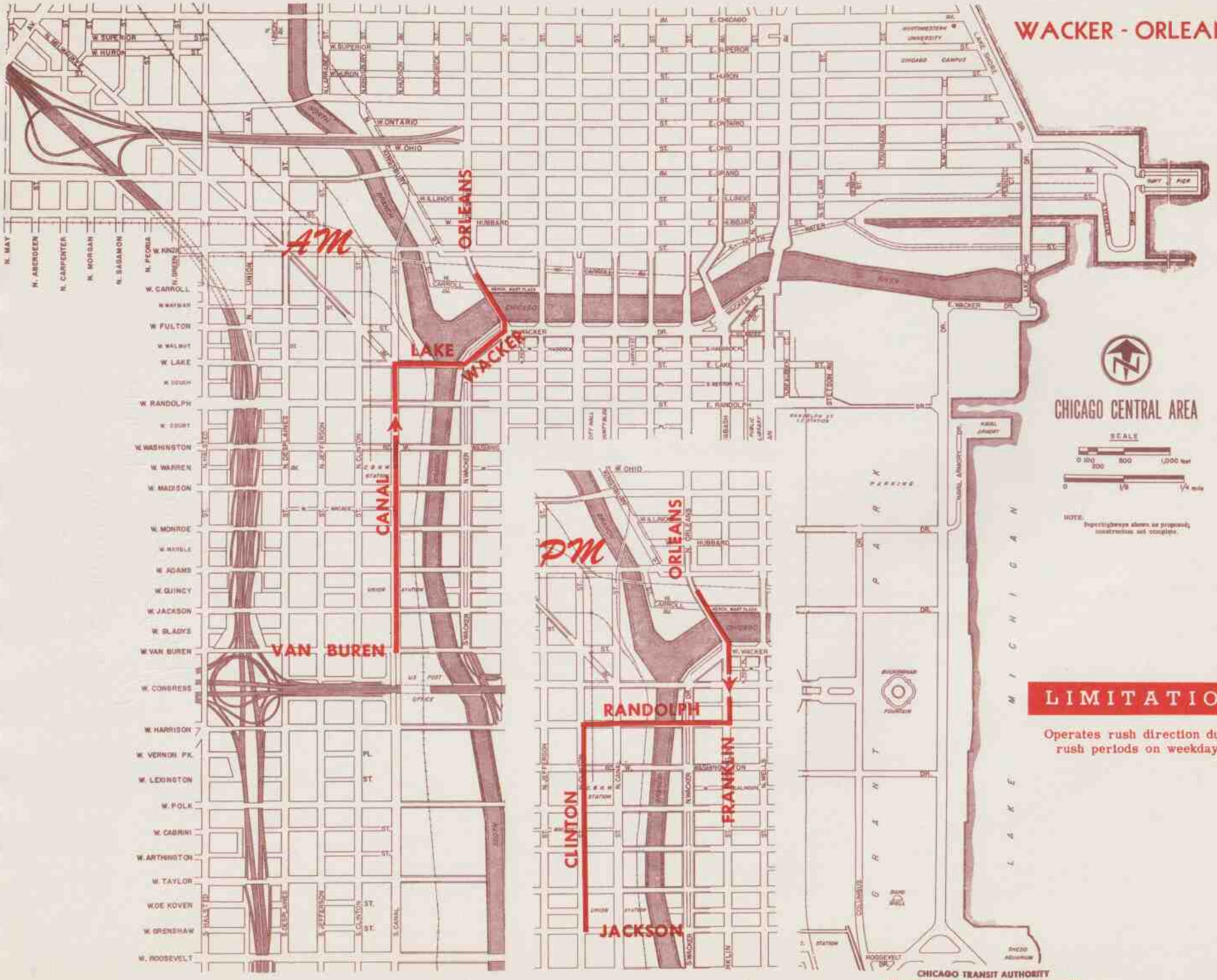
WACKER - ORLEANS -128



LIMITATIONS

Operates rush direction during rush periods on weekdays only.

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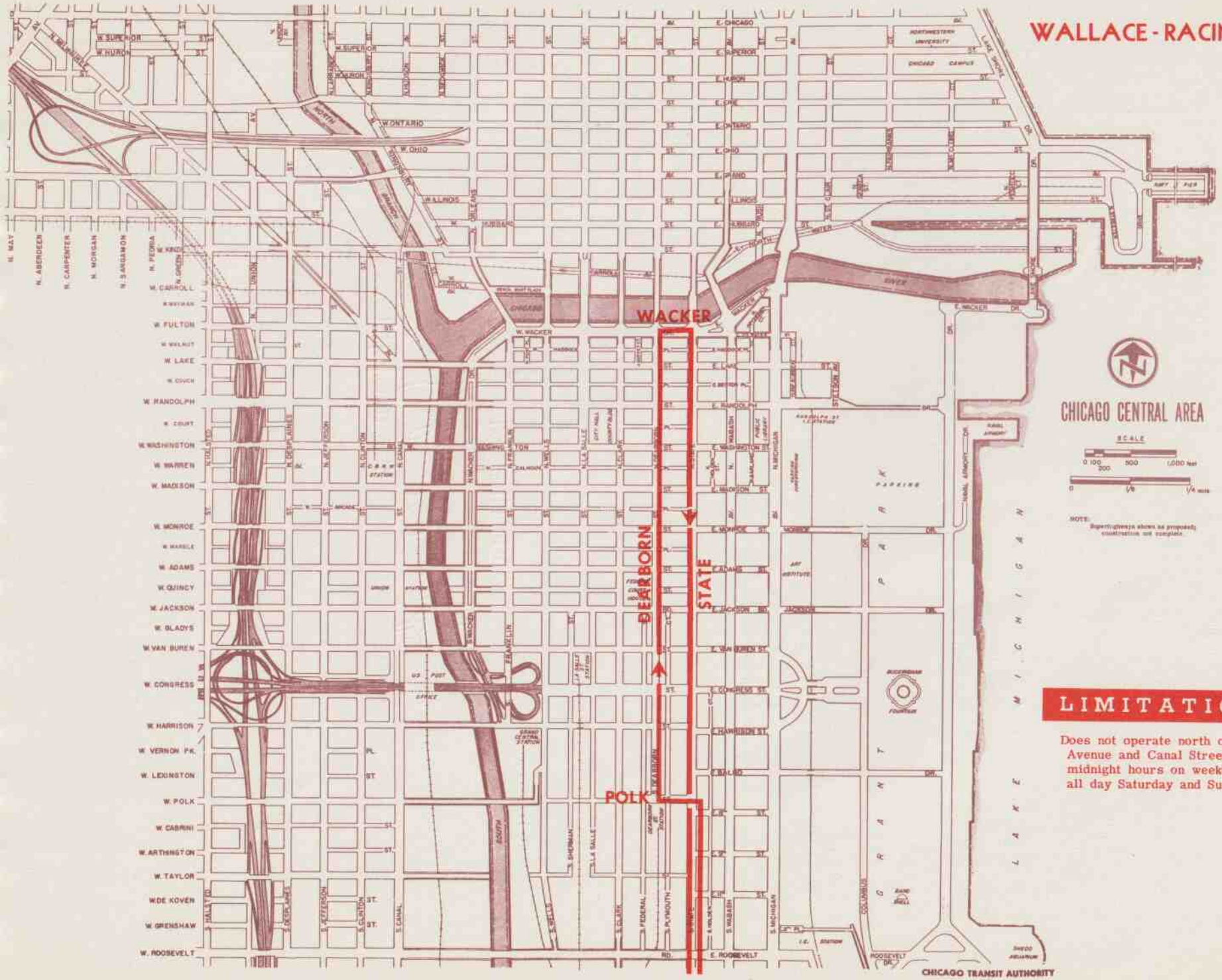
WALLACE - RACINE -44



LIMITATIONS

Does not operate north of Archer Avenue and Canal Street during midnight hours on weekdays and all day Saturday and Sunday.

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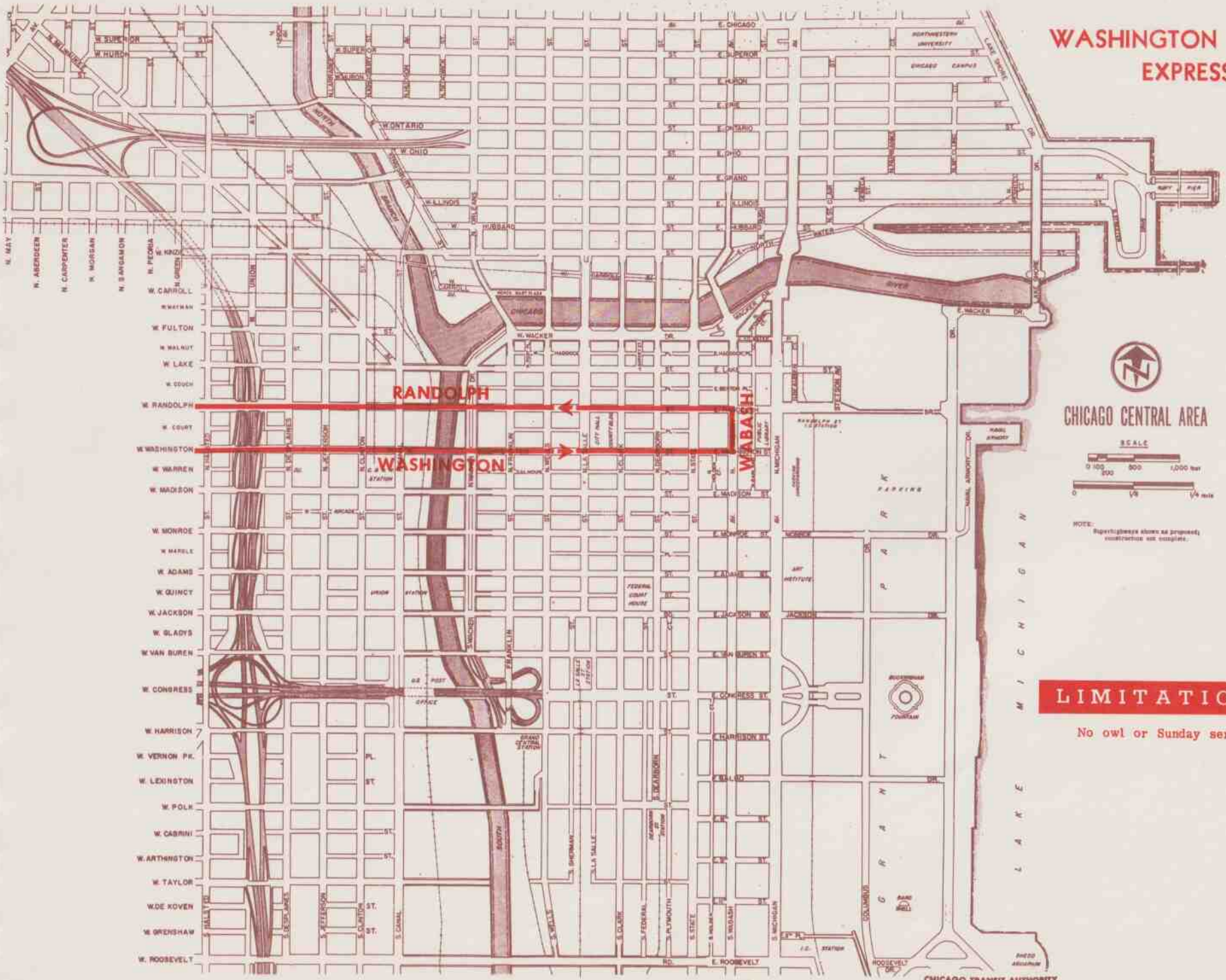
WASHINGTON EXPRESS -131



LIMITATIONS

No owl or Sunday service.

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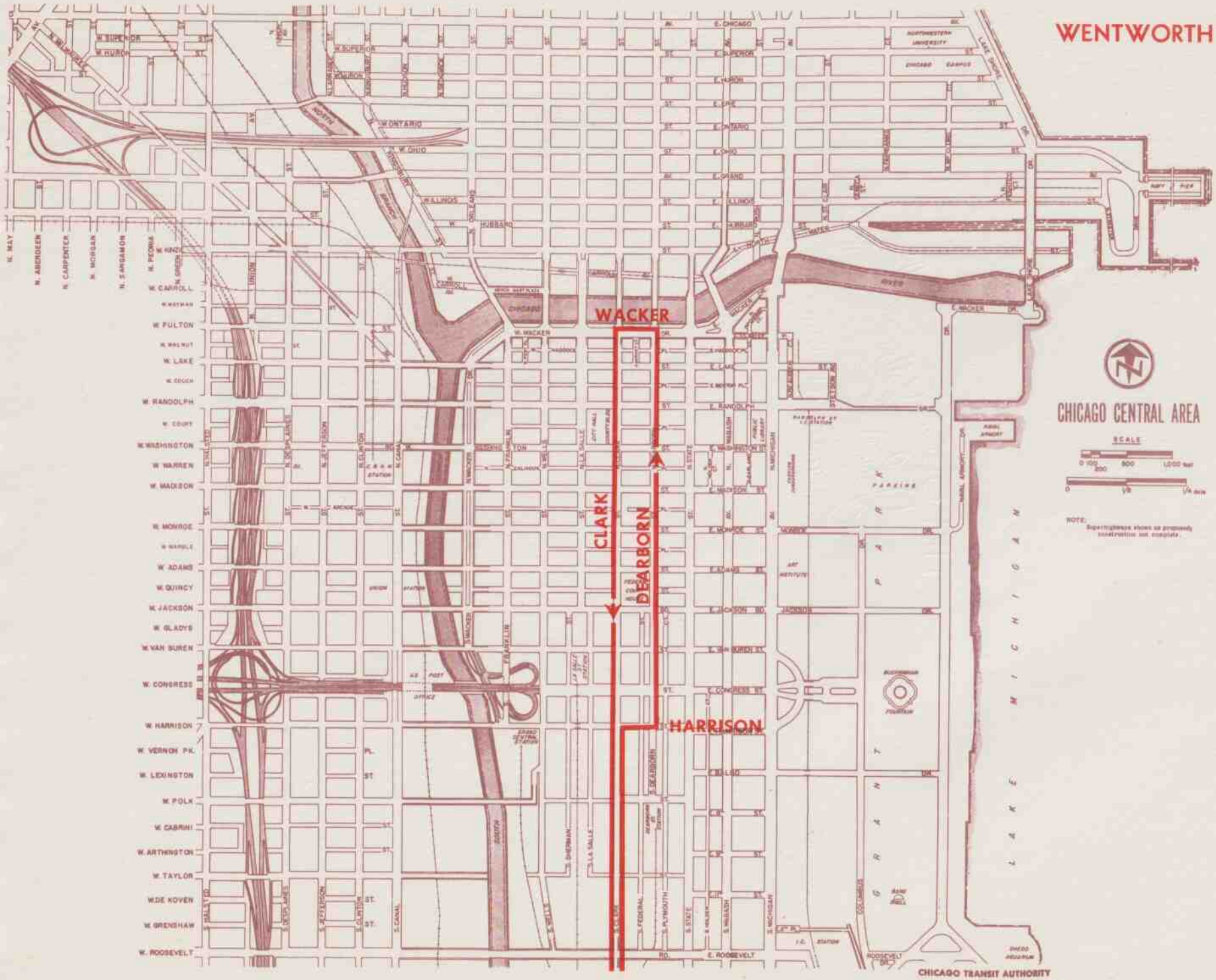
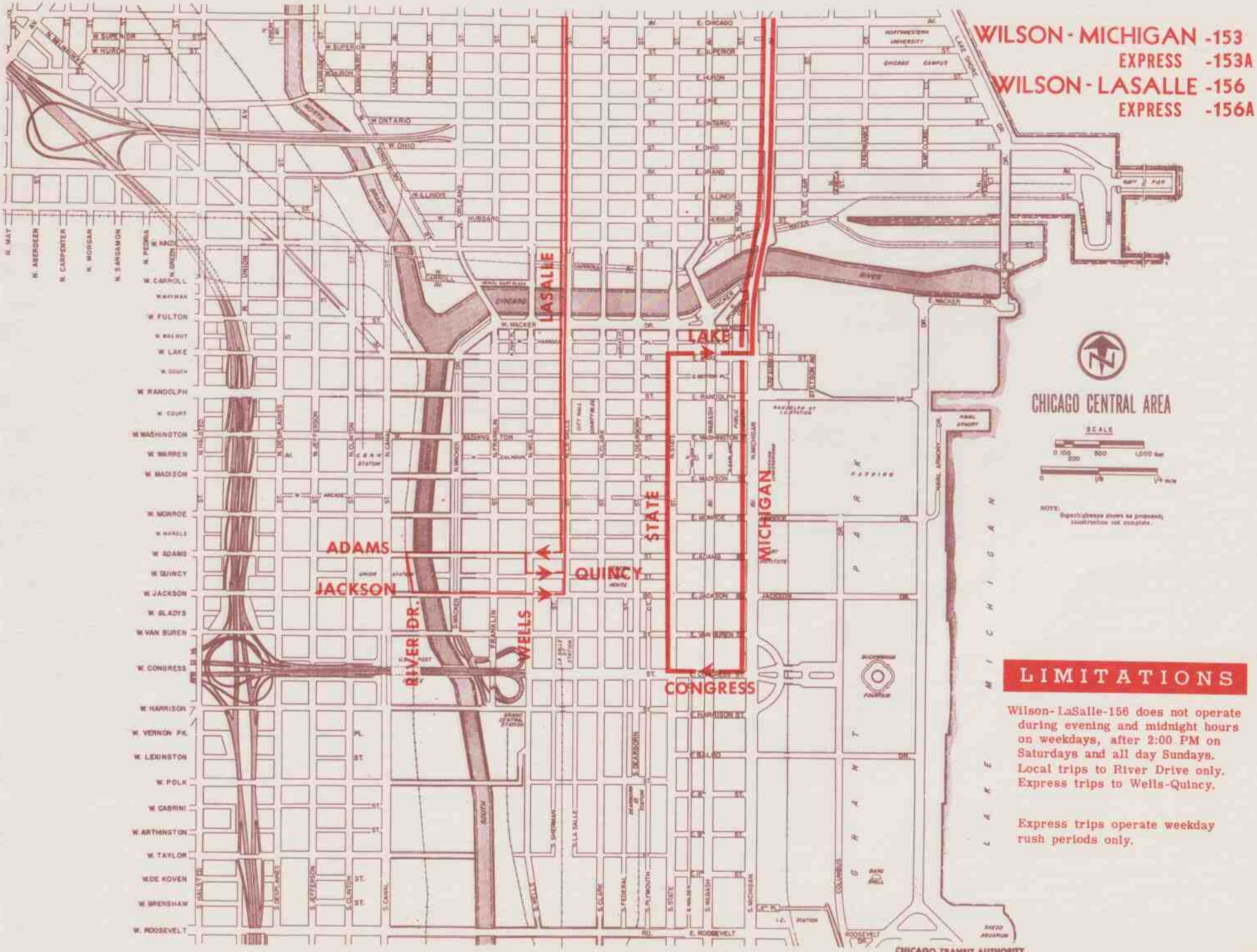
WENTWORTH -22A



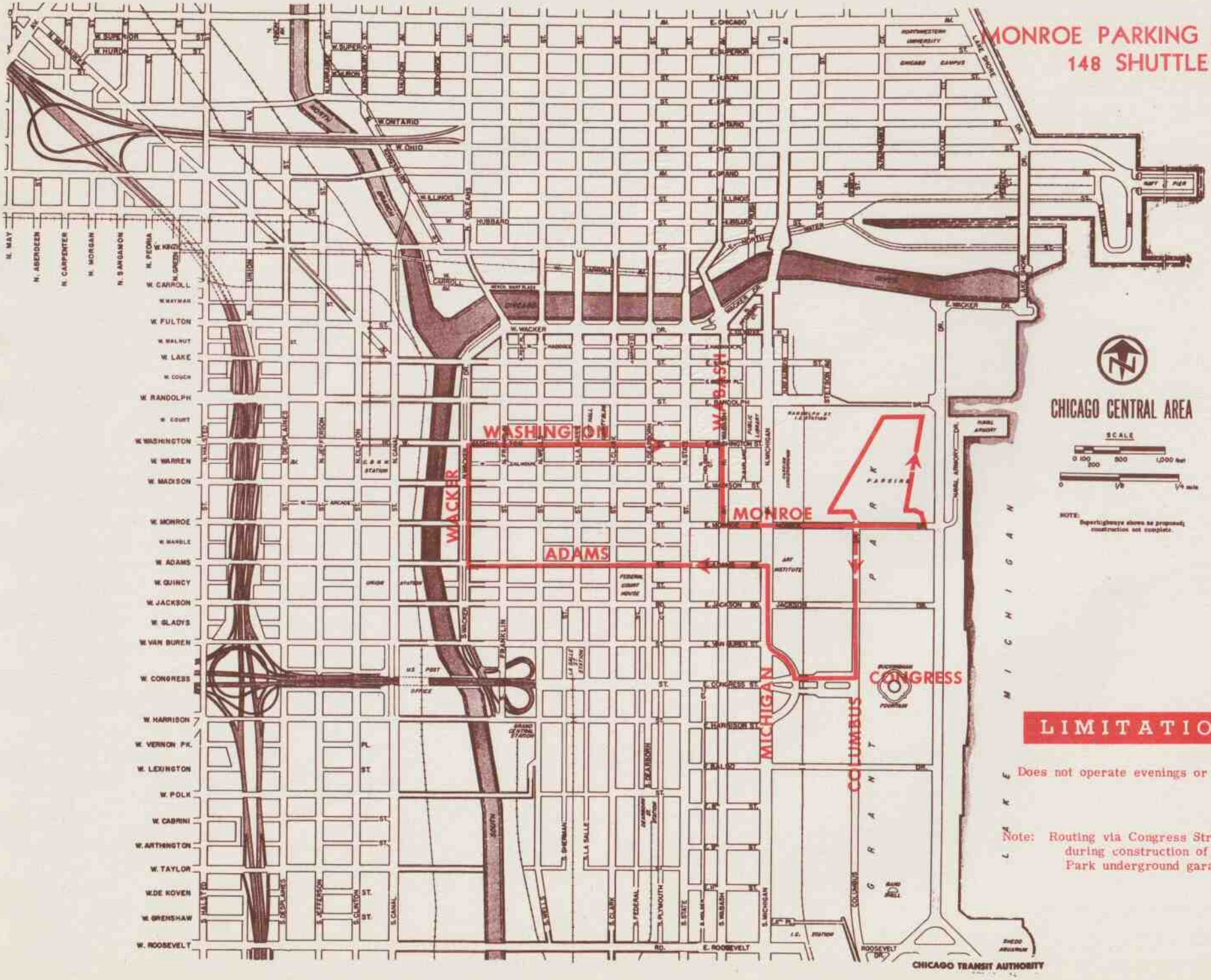


LIMITATIONS

Wilson-LaSalle-156 does not operate during evening and midnight hours on weekdays, after 2:00 PM on Saturdays and all day Sundays. Local trips to River Drive only. Express trips to Wells-Quincy.

Express trips operate weekday rush periods only.

MONROE PARKING LOT
148 SHUTTLE

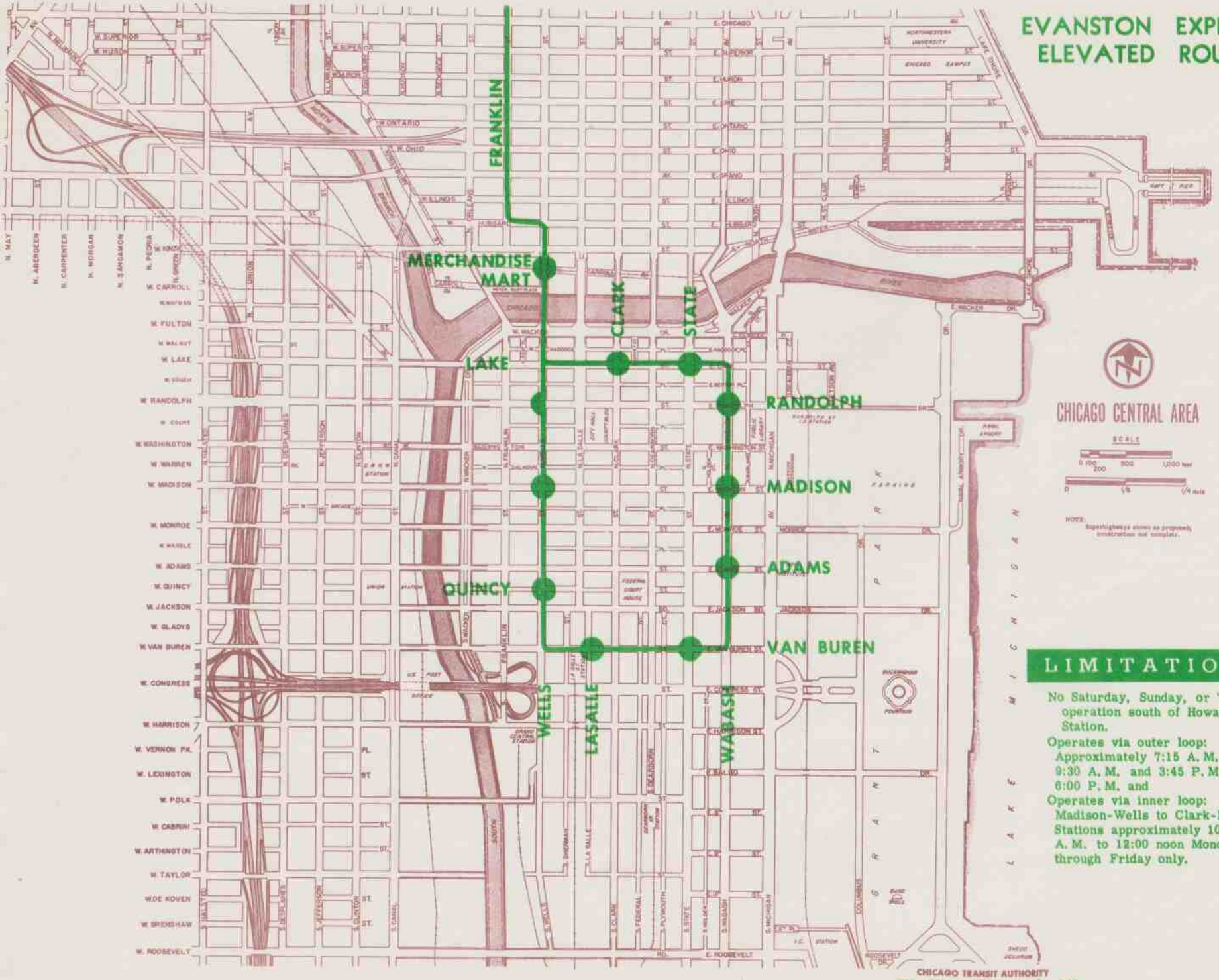


LIMITATIONS

Does not operate evenings or Sundays.

Note: Routing via Congress Street used during construction of the Grant Park underground garage.

EVANSTON EXPRESS ELEVATED ROUTE



LIMITATIONS

No Saturday, Sunday, or "owl" operation south of Howard Station.

Operates via outer loop: Approximately 7:15 A.M. to 9:30 A.M. and 3:45 P.M. to 6:00 P.M. and

Operates via inner loop: Madison-Wells to Clark-Lake Stations approximately 10:00 A.M. to 12:00 noon Monday through Friday only.

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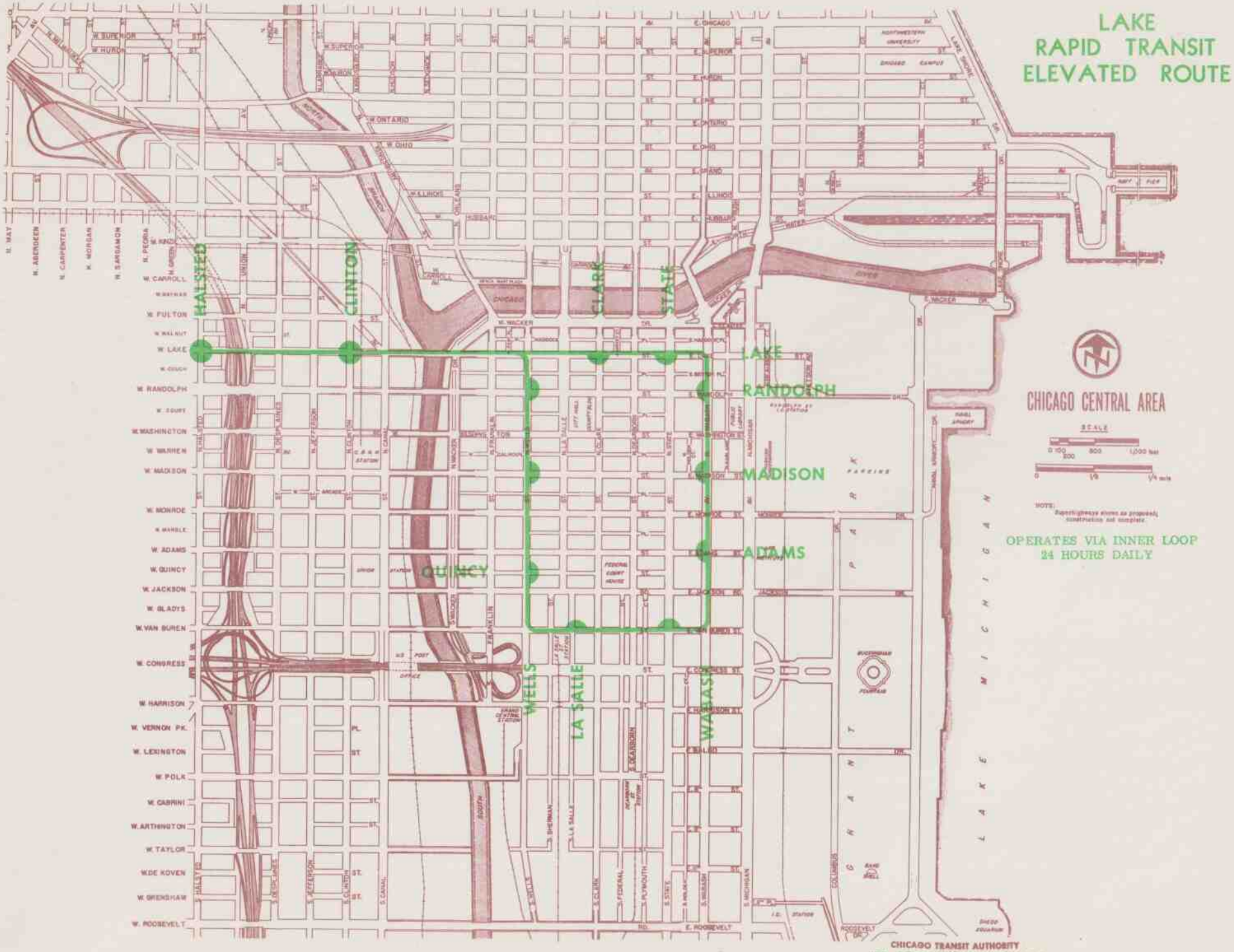

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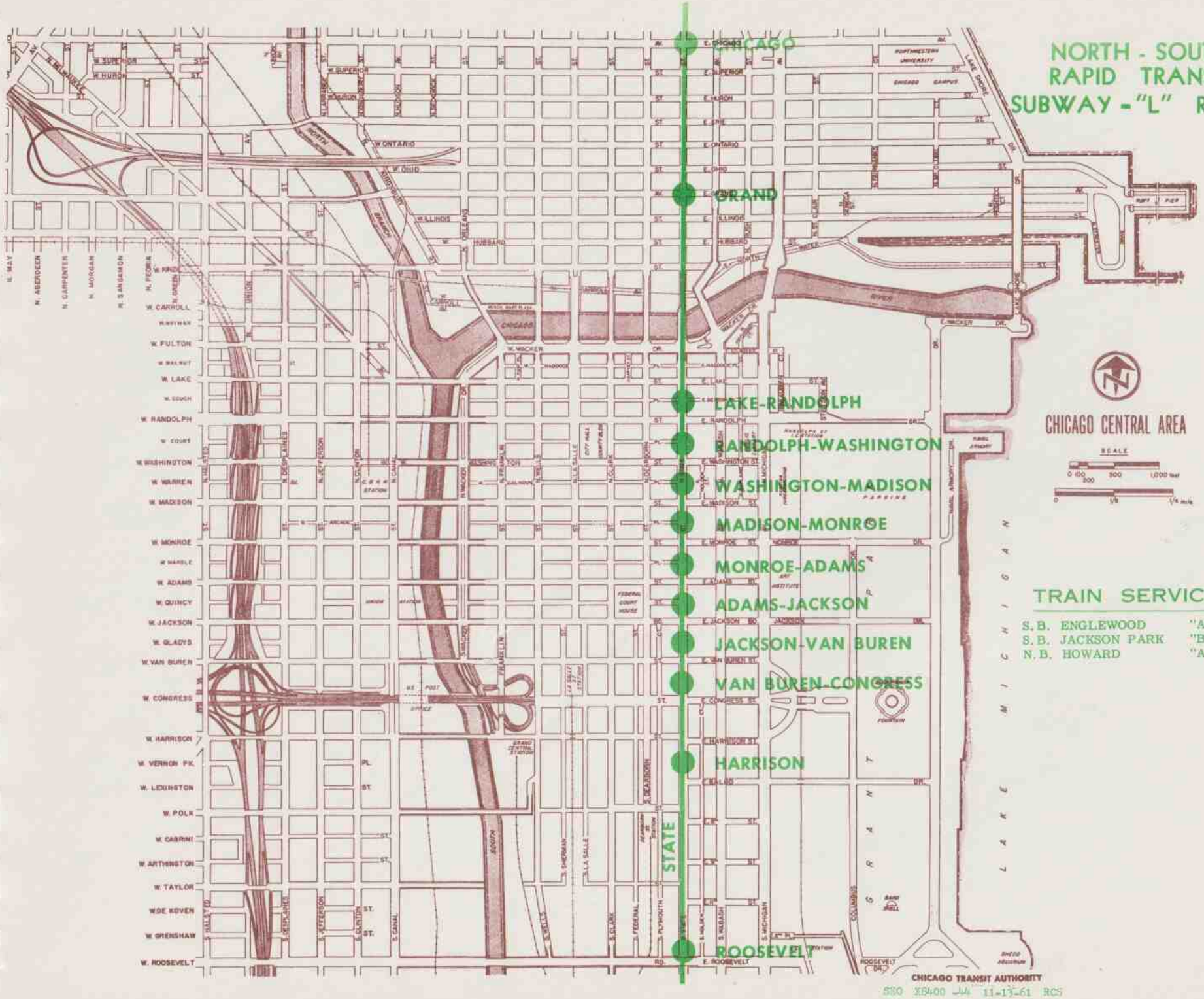
NORTH - SOUTH RAPID TRANSIT SUBWAY - "L" ROUTE



TRAIN SERVICE

S.B. ENGLEWOOD	"A"
S.B. JACKSON PARK	"B"
N.B. HOWARD	"A & B"

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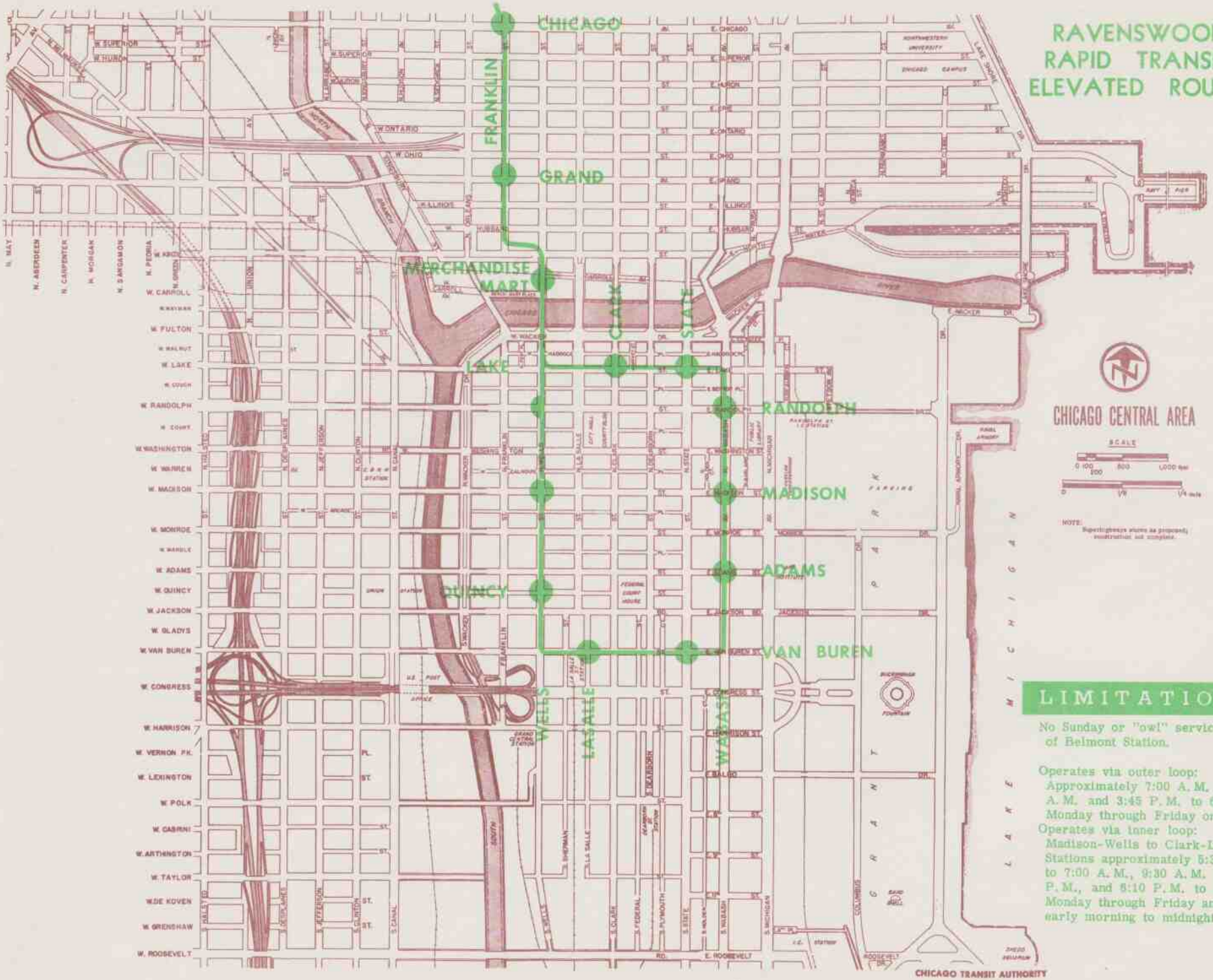
RAVENSWOOD RAPID TRANSIT ELEVATED ROUTE



LIMITATIONS

No Sunday or "owl" service south of Belmont Station.

Operates via outer loop: Approximately 7:00 A.M. to 9:40 A.M. and 3:45 P.M. to 6:10 P.M. Monday through Friday only.

Operates via inner loop: Madison-Wells to Clark-Lake Stations approximately 5:30 A.M. to 7:00 A.M., 9:30 A.M. to 3:30 P.M., and 6:10 P.M. to 1:00 A.M. Monday through Friday and from early morning to midnight Saturdays.

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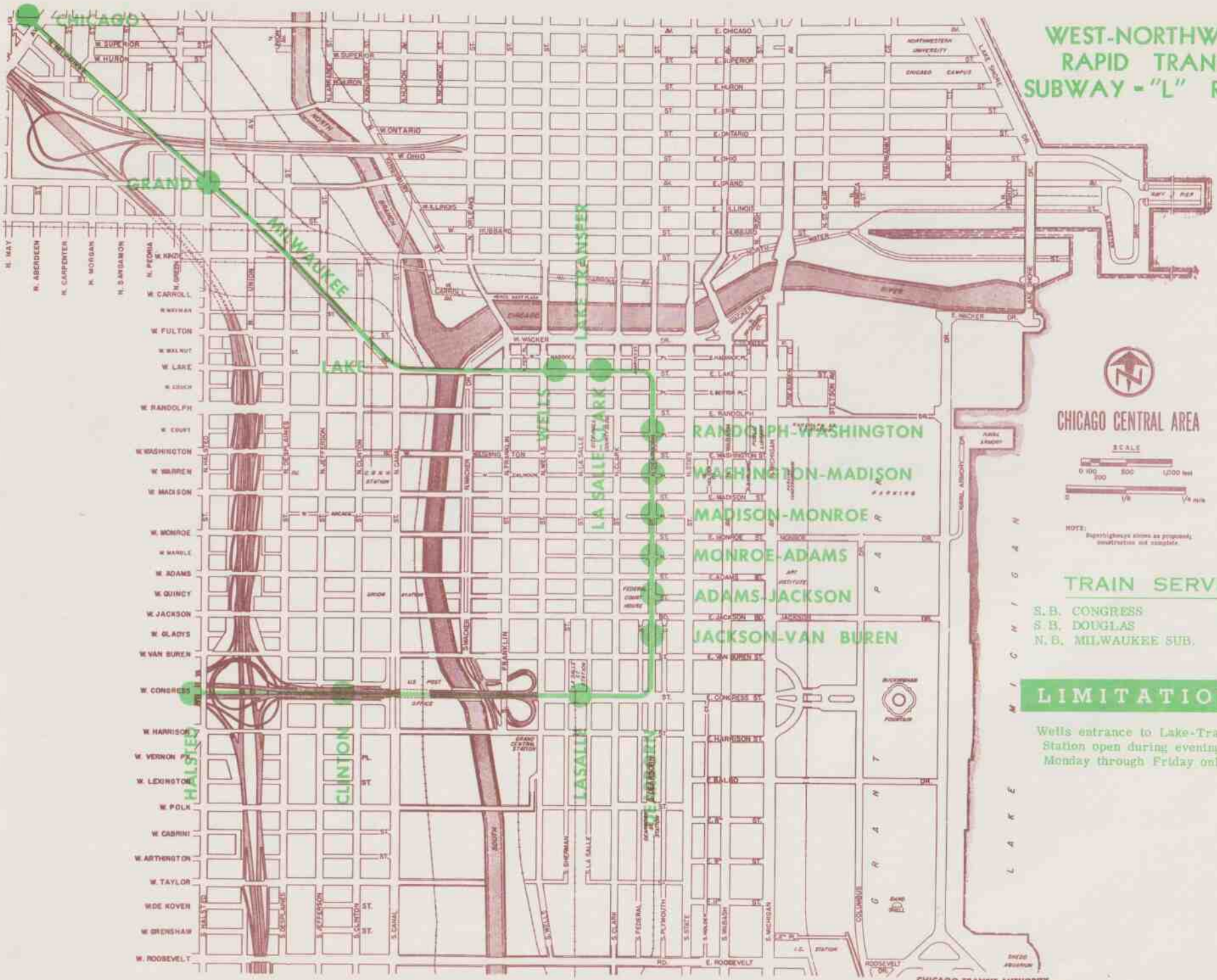
WEST-NORTHWEST RAPID TRANSIT SUBWAY - "L" ROUTE



TRAIN SERVICE

S.B. CONGRESS	"A"
S.B. DOUGLAS	"B"
N.B. MILWAUKEE SUB.	"A & B"

LIMITATIONS

Wells entrance to Lake-Transfer Station open during evening rush Monday through Friday only.