Minnesota Railroad Radio Frequencies

BNSF

15 160.335  West Hump Dispatcher
26 160.500  Signal Department
32 160.590  Car Department
36 160.650  Northtown yard, Willmar yard
48 160.830  Engineering / MOW
54 160.920  Wayzata to Fargo Dispatcher
61 161.025  Midway Intermodal
66 161.100  Hinckley, Lakes, Appleton, and Watertown subdivisions
70 161.160  West Hump Mississippi St or Saint Anthony to Coon Creek, Brainerd Sub, Marshall sub
76 161.250  East Hump Dispatcher
85 161.385  Staples Sub west of Big Lake, east of Staples
87 161.415  Staples Sub west of Staples
96 161.550  Midway Intermodal

Canadian National Lines

Canadian National Railway

Warroad to Baudette
87 161.415  Ch 1
55 160.935  Ch 2 Dispatcher
23 160.455  Ch 3

Canadian National Lines

Cedar River Railway

Albert Lea to Lyle and south into Iowa
72 161.190  Road
54 160.920
43 160.755

Canadian National Lines

former Duluth Missabe and Iron Range Railway

46 160.800  Ch 1 Road Dispatch North
16 160.350  Ch 2 Road Dispatch South
08 160.230  Ch 3 Yard / Ore Docks
78 161.280  Ch 5 Ore Docks
38 160.680  Ch 6 Maintenance
12 160.290  Ch 7 Duluth Dock
82 161.340  MOW Repeater

Canadian National Lines

former Wisconsin Central

Duluth / Superior area
96 161.205  Road
95 160.935  Road
50 160.860  Yard
16 160.350  Dispatcher

Canadian National Lines

former Soo Line Railway

84 161.370  Ch 1 Withrow to Glenwood, LaCrescent to Iowa border and points south
94 161.520  Ch 2 Former MN&S lines, Glenwood to Noyes
65 161.085  Ch 3 West of Glenwood
44 160.770  Ch 4 LaCrosse to St Croix, St Paul to Merriam Park
88 161.430  Ch 5 Yard
41 160.725  Ch 6 Yard
58 160.980  Shoreham Intermodal
38 160.680  Yard
08 160.230  Car Dept
24 160.470  Yard
28 160.530  Roundhouse
13 160.305  GE Service

Canadian Pacific Lines

former Dakota Minnesota and Eastern Railroad

Winona to Tracy
57 160.965  Ch 1 Road
19 160.395  Ch 2

Canadian Pacific Lines

former Iowa, Chicago and Eastern Railroad

Iowa border to Austin, Austin to Owatonna, Austin to Jackson
84 161.370  Ch 1 Road
65 161.085  Ch 3 Road
44 160.770  Ch 4 Road
88 161.430  Ch 5 Yard
28 160.530  Ch 6 Yard

Cloquet Terminal Railroad.

Cloquet terminal area
53 160.905  Ch 1 Road/Yard
92 161.490  Ch 2 Old DNE

Ellis and Eastern

Sioux Falls, SD to Worthington
85 161.385  General Operations

Lake Superior and Mississippi Railroad.

West Duluth tourist railroad – Closed in 2022
18 160.380  General Operations

Metro Transit

Northstar Commuter Rail

Big Lake, MN
152.300  Big Lake Terminal Operations
157.560  Big Lake Terminal Operations

Minnesota Dakota and Western Railway

International Falls terminal
20 160.410  General Operations
28 160.530  General Operations
38 160.680  General Operations

Minnesota Commercial Railway

Twin Cities terminal
30 160.560  Ch 1
42 160.740  Ch 2

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Minnesota Northern Railroad.
Crookston area branchlines,
St Hillaire to Thief River Falls to Roseau
95 161.535

Minnesota Prairie Line
Norwood to Hanley Falls
77 161.265  Ch1
See also Twin Cities Western frequencies

Minnesota Transportation Museum
St Paul roundhouse / Osceola, WI to Withrow
83 161.355  General operations
95 161.535  General operations
79 161.295  WC (CN) Ch 3 Road

National Railroad Passenger Corporation (Amtrak)
La Crescent to Moorhead
44 160.770  LaCrosse to St Croix
70 161.160  St Paul to MNRR
30 160.560  Minnesota Commercial RR (former Midway Station area)
15 160.335  MNRN to Mpls Jct
85 161.385  Big Lake to Staples
87 161.415  Staples to Moorhead
13 161.305  Station Services ("home" channel)

Northern Lines Railroad
St Cloud terminal area
72 161.190  General operations

Northern Plains Railroad
Thief River Falls to Oslo and west well into ND
50 160.860
88 161.430

North Shore Scenic Railroad
Duluth to Two Harbors
54 160.920  General Operations
42 160.740  Knife River remote base

Ottertail Valley Railroad
Fergus Falls to Moorhead
21 160.425  General operations

Progressive Rail
Lakeville industrial park, Bloomington industrial spur
(“high line”), Eagan spur, Faribault terminal,
Northfield to Cannon Falls, Northfield yard
67 160.115  Lakeville Operations
74 161.220  Bloomington
16 160.350
18 160.380

Rapid City, Pierre
and Eastern Railroad
Tracy west well into South Dakota
08 160.230  Ch 1 Road
59 160.995  Ch 2 Yard
64 161.070  Ch 3 Shops

Red River Valley
and Western Railroad
Breckenridge and well into North Dakota
79 161.295  Ch 1 Yard
22 160.440  Ch 2 Yard
17 160.365  Ch 3 Road
89 161.455  Ch 4 Road
28 160.530  Ch 7 MOW

Saint Croix Valley Railroad
Hinckley to North Branch
95 161.535  General operations

Twin Cities and Western
Tower E-14 (Minnetonka) to Appleton
51 160.875  Ch 1 Yard
90 161.460  Ch 2 Road
50 160.860  Ch 3 MOW

Union Pacific
East Minneapolis to Hudson
(including the Stillwater branch),
Hoffman to MP36 (1.1 mi
North of Jordan), Roseport
industrial spur, Winona yard.

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