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### HERITAGE RAILWAY STATIONS

#### HERITAGE CHARACTER STATEMENT

VIA Rail/former Canadian Pacific Railway Station  
Sudbury, Ontario

The former Canadian Pacific Railway (CPR) station in Sudbury, Ontario was built in 1907 to replace an earlier structure. VIA Rail operates passenger service from the building. Refer to Railway Station Report 175.

#### Reasons for Designation

The station at Sudbury has been designated a heritage railway station for its historical, environmental and architectural significance.

The Sudbury station is a monument to the aggressive repositioning of the CPR as it attained financial stability at the beginning of the 20th century. Having achieved a high level of economic security, the CPR set about constructing larger and more elegant stations to replace older and inadequate facilities. Sudbury was created by the CPR, and the construction of this replacement station affirmed the CPR's role as a formative and enduring base for the city's continued prosperity.

This handsome station is a good example of a divisional point passenger station designed with an integral agent's apartment - a common type of CPR station built in Ontario during the betterments period of 1898-1914. Sheltered under a hipped roof, the station is soundly built of brick and stone, with decorative features characteristic of the Romanesque Revival.

The station complex and yards continue to loom large in the urban fabric of the city, and retain many of the ancillary railway structures.

#### Character Defining Features

The heritage character of the former CPR Station in Sudbury resides in the building's exterior massing, composition, and materials; in its Romanesque Revival qualities; and in its relationship to its setting.