

Project Fact Sheet



Project Basics

- The Northern Branch Corridor Project seeks to restore passenger rail service on the existing Northern Branch rail corridor, which now serves only freight trains.
- Proposed service would run through North Bergen in Hudson County, and Fairview, Ridgefield, Palisades Park, Leonia, Englewood, and as far as Tenafly in Bergen County. To provide a thorough environmental and operational analysis, adjacent municipalities of Cresskill, Demarest, Closter, Norwood, and Northvale are also included in the study.

Project Goals:

- Goal 1:** Meet the needs of travelers in the project area.
- Goal 2:** Advance cost-effective transit solutions.
- Goal 3:** Encourage economic growth.
- Goal 4:** Improve regional access.
- Goal 5:** Reduce roadway congestion.
- Goal 6:** Enhance the transit network.

Project Alternatives

- Two alternative service limits are proposed:
 - Englewood Route 4 Terminal Station- Service would extend from Route 4 in Englewood to North Bergen.
 - Tenafly North Terminal Station- Service would extend from the Tenafly/Cresskill border to North Bergen.
- Two alternative vehicle modes are proposed for consideration:
 - Diesel Multiple Unit (DMU) - The DMU Alternative uses a self-propelled diesel-powered vehicle that is approved for operation on tracks shared with freight trains. This alternative requires a transfer from the Hudson-Bergen Light Rail (HBLR) at North Bergen Junction. The DMU can operate while freight trains are running on the same track.
 - Electric Light Rail Vehicle (LRT or LRV) –The LRT Alternative is an extension of HBLR service, and uses a light rail vehicle to provide a one-seat ride to either Englewood or Tenafly from the HBLR service area. The light rail vehicles are not approved for use while freight trains are running on the same track.

Contact Us

Rebecca Reyes-Alicea
Community Planner
Office of Planning and Program Development
Federal Transit Administration
One Bowling Green, Room 429
New York, NY 10004-1415
212-668-2203 (voice) 212-668-2136 (fax)

Linda Mosch, P.E.
Project Director, Northern Branch EIS
Capital Planning & Programs
NJ TRANSIT
One Penn Plaza East
Newark, NJ 07105-2246
973-491-8481 (voice) 973-995-4445 (fax)

Project Information Email Address: info@NorthernBranchCorridor.com
Visit the Project Website: <http://NorthernBranchCorridor.com>