

Chapter 24:

Distribution of DEIS

FRA sent notification of availability of the DEIS and Draft Section 4(f) Evaluation with a link to the website posting and a list of document availability locations to the entities included in the project mailing list. This includes approximately 110 individual contacts including agency staff; staff of elected officials; Manhattan Community Boards 4 and 5 officials and staff; residents of neighborhoods near the Project Site; and members of the general public, including meeting attendees and others who have signed up to receive notifications through the project website. FRA specifically invited the following agencies and organizations to review and comment on the EIS and Draft Section 4(f) Evaluation:

24.1 FEDERAL AGENCIES

Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP)

Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)

Federal Transit Administration (FTA)

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE)

U.S. Department of Homeland Security (USDHS)

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)

U.S. Department of Interior (USDOI), Office of Environmental Policy and Compliance (OEPC)

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

USDOI, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS)

24.2 STATE AGENCIES

Hudson River Park Trust (HRPS)

Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA)

MTA Long Island Railroad (LIRR)

New York Metropolitan Transportation Council (NYMTC)

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC)

New York State Department of State (NYSDOS)

New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT)

New York State Historic Preservation Office (NYSHPO)

24.3 LOCAL AGENCIES

New York City Department of City Planning (NYCDCP)
New York City Department of Environmental Protection (NYCDEP)
New York City Landmarks Preservation Commission (NYCLPC)
New York City Department of Parks and Recreation (NYC Parks)
New York City Department of Transportation (NYCDOT)
New York City Mayor's Office of Environmental Coordination (NYCMOEC)

24.4 ELECTED OFFICIALS

Peter Abbate, Assemblymember District 49
Robert Carroll, Assemblymember District 44
Simcha Eichenstein, Assemblymember District 48
Helene Weinstein, Assemblymember District 41
Deborah Glick, Assemblymember District 66
Linda Rosenthal, Assemblymember District 67
Jerrold Nadler, Congressman, 10th Congressional District
Bill de Blasio, Mayor, New York City
Kirsten Gillibrand, U.S. Senator, New York
Chuck Schumer, U.S. Senator, New York
Richard Gottfried, Assemblymember District 75
Bradley Hoylman, State Senator, District 27
Gale Brewer, Borough President, Manhattan
Robert Jackson, State Senator, District 31
Colin Schmitt, Assemblymember District 99
Corey Johnson, Council Speaker, District 3
Kenneth P. Zebrowski, Assemblymember District 96
Andrew Cuomo, Governor, New York

24.5 OTHER SECTION 106 CONSULTING PARTIES

Delaware Nation
Delaware Tribe
Stockbridge-Munsee Community of Mohican Indians of Wisconsin
Shinnecock Indian Nation
National Railroad Passenger Corporation (Amtrak)
Friends of the High Line

Society for Industrial Archeology
Professional Archaeologists of New York City (PANYC)
Anthracite Railroads Historical Society
Erie Lackawanna Railroad Historical Society
National Railway Historical Society, Inc.
Railway & Locomotive Historical Society
Tri-State Railway Historical Society, Inc.
Eastern Delaware Nation
Lenape Nation of Pennsylvania

24.6 DEIS DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY LOCATIONS

In addition to posting on the project website (www.westernrailyardinfrastructure.com) and on the Federal Docket system at Regulations.gov (Docket FRA-2020-0039), FRA made hard copies of the DEIS and Draft Section 4(f) Evaluation available for public review at the following local document repositories (by appointment):

Manhattan Community Board 4
330 West 42nd Street, 26th Floor
New York, NY
Telephone: (212) 736-4536

Manhattan Community Board 5
450 Fashion Avenue, #2109
New York, NY
Telephone: (212) 465-0907

Libraries may not yet be open to visitors during the DEIS comment period. Please call the following libraries to obtain current operating hours and accessibility information for public review of the DEIS and Draft Section 4(f) Evaluation at those locations, as FRA provided hard copies to these libraries.

Jack Brause Library
11 West 42nd Street, #510
New York, NY
Telephone: (212) 992-3627

Mid-Manhattan Library
455 Fifth Avenue
New York, NY
Telephone: (212) 340-0863

NYPL Columbus Branch Library
742 Tenth Avenue
New York, NY
Telephone: (212) 586-5098

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