



#### Metropolitan Transportation Authority

Construction & Development Metro-North Railroad

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# Project Overview

- New Metro-North rail service to and from Penn Station
- 4 new ADA stations in the Bronx; reduce commutes to Midtown up to 50 minutes each way
- Regional transportation
  connectivity



# **Project Overview**

- Upgrade Amtrak's Hell Gate Line to a state of good repair:
  - 19 miles of track work
  - 4 new interlockings
  - 1 reconfigured interlocking
  - 5 new substations
  - 2 upgraded substations
  - 4 bridge rehabilitations
  - New drainage infrastructure
  - New Rochelle Yard expansion



### **Overall Project Benefits**



#### **Faster Travel Times**

Improves access to underserved neighborhoods and gets you to your destination faster



### **Economic Vitality**

Supports the local and regional economy

### Connected Communities

Connects you to several neighborhoods in the Bronx and throughout the region



#### Sustainable Infrastructure

Encourages drivers to switch to train travel, reducing traffic congestion and improving air quality

### Reverse Commuting Opportunities

Attracts new talent and broadens the job market



### Optimization of Existing Infrastructure

Delivers cost-effective transit solutions



Expands your travel opportunities

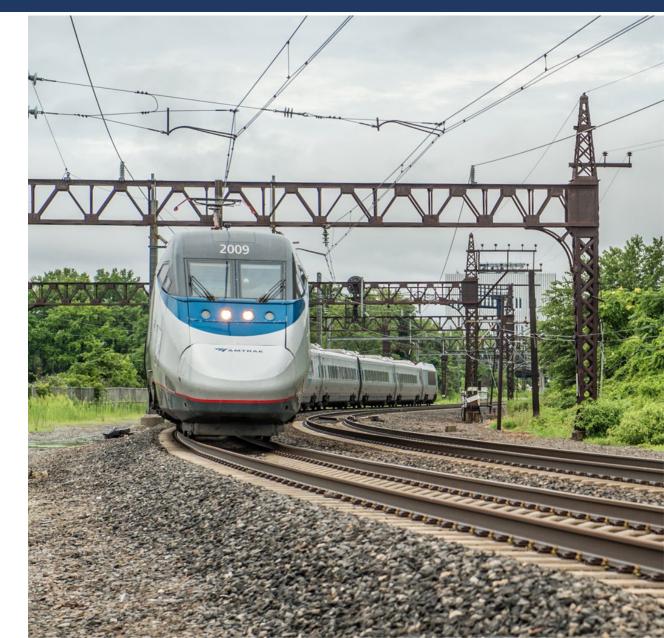


### **Enhanced Network Reliability**

Provides flexibility for Metro-North and improves on-time performance for intercity passengers

### Amtrak and Freight Railroad Benefits

- Improves on-time performance and reliability for intercity passengers
- Brings Amtrak's Hell Gate Line to a state of good repair, including:
  - Hell Gate Line catenary system
  - 100+ year old bridge structures
- Electrical upgrades, improved signal system, and state-of-the-art communication system
- Significant enhancements to stormwater management including new drainage



### Parkchester/Van Nest Station Conceptual Site Plan & Rendering



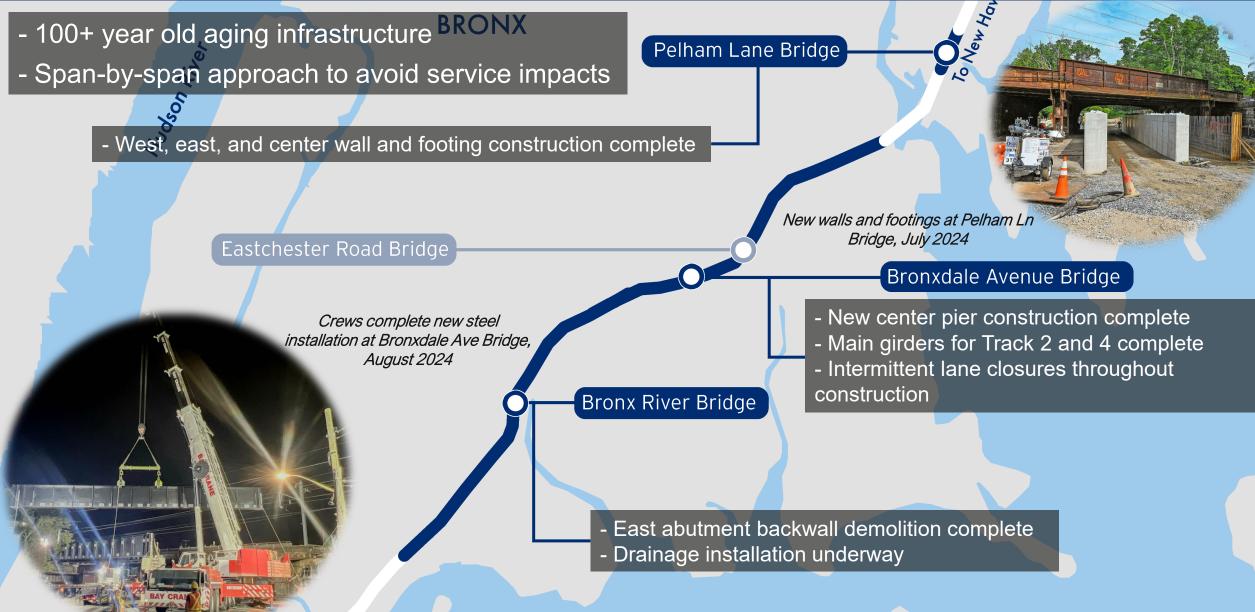
### Morris Park Station Conceptual Site Plan & Rendering



# **Project Progress**

- Bridge Rehabilitations
- Overhead Catenary Structures (OCS)
- Substations
- Station Areas
- Leggett Interlocking

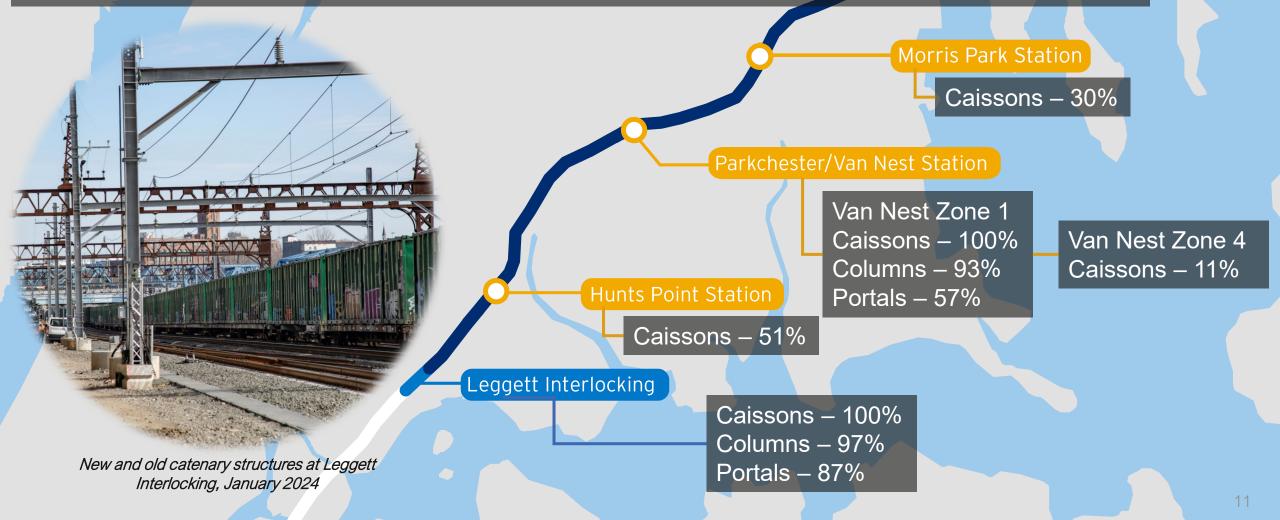
### Bridge Rehabilitation



### **Overhead Catenary Structures (OCS)**

- 100+ year old infrastructure with insufficient capacity for increased service

- New galvanized steel structures and new wire with full tension air breaks can accommodate increased number of trains running on tracks and are more resistant to wear and tear

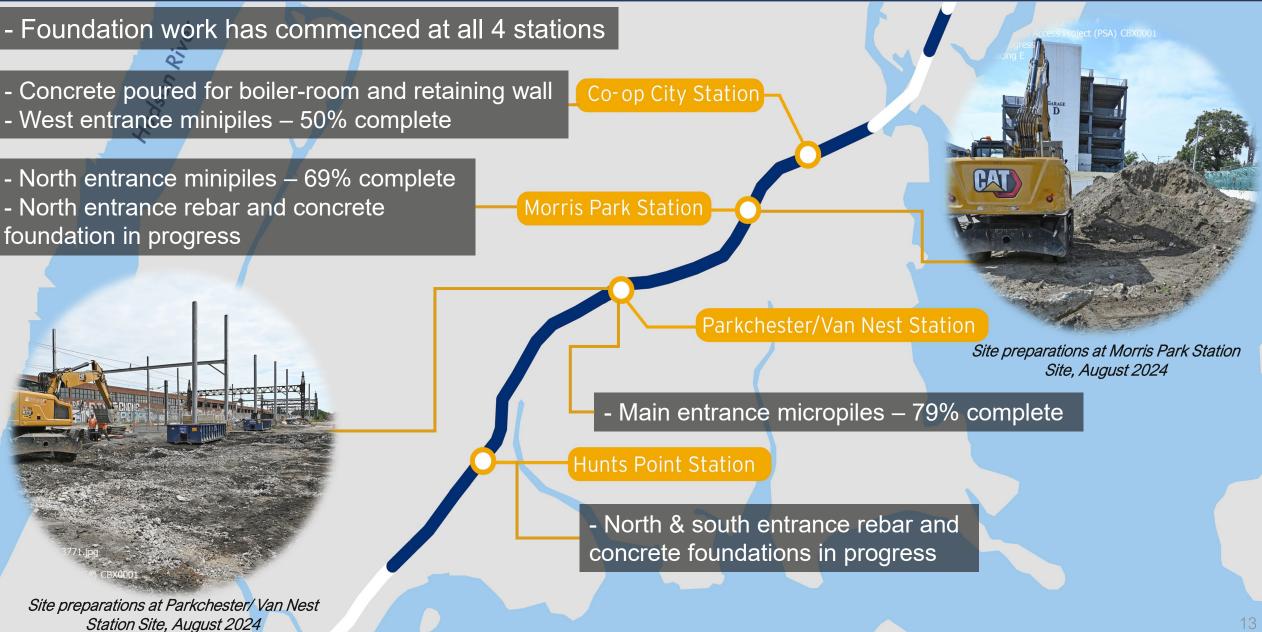


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### Substations



### **Station Areas**



### Leggett Interlocking

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Increased operational flexibility
 Enables extended track outages during construction
 "Permanent LTO"

Track foundation concrete installation near Leggett Interlocking, June 2024

Leggett Interlocking

Drainage outlet pipe – 100% installedDrainage structure - 87% complete

Installed new ties, tracks, and interlocking components at Track 1 and 2

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Signal, communication, testing and commissioning work ongoing

OCS portal installation near Leggett Interlocking, October 2023

# Upcoming Work

- Bridges
- Power System Upgrades
- Station Areas
- Leggett Interlocking

### **Upcoming Work – Bridges**

#### Bronxdale Avenue Bridge

• Install structural steel and deck plates for Tracks 2 & 4

#### Eastchester Road Bridge

• Phase II to commence Q4 2025

#### Pelham Lane Bridge

- Continue demolition and lead abatement
- Continue signal tray and conduit installation
- New steel installation to commence Q4 2025

#### Bronx River Bridge

- Pour concrete for new center pier
- Install framework and rebar for east abutment

For details on intermittent lane closures, please visit our website: <a href="mailto:new.mta.info/project/penn-station-access">new.mta.info/project/penn-station-access</a>



Crews install abutment footings at Pelham Lane Bridge, April 2024



Crews install abutment footings at Pelham Lane Bridge, July 2024

# Upcoming Work – Power System Upgrades

#### Hunts Point

Continue OCS caisson installation

#### Parkchester / Van Nest

- Continue OCS column installation
- Continue OCS portal installation

#### Morris Park

Continue OCS caisson installation

#### Parkchester / Van Nest Substation

Commence caisson installation

#### Co-op City Substation

- Complete caisson installation
- Pour foundation slab

#### HG Substation

Continue drainage installation



# Upcoming Work – Station Areas

#### Hunts Point

 Continue to form rebar and pour concrete for south entrance foundation

#### Parkchester / Van Nest

- Complete micropile installation for main entrance
- Form rebar and pour concrete for main entrance foundation

#### Morris Park

- Continue retaining wall installation
- Progress south entrance utility work

#### Co-op City

- Continue to form rebar and pour concrete for main entrance foundation
- Continue track-side minipile installation



Crews drill micropiles at Hunts Point Station site north entrance, May 2024



Installed concrete and rebar at Hunts Point north entrance, August 2024

# Upcoming Work – Leggett Interlocking

#### Track and Supporting Infrastructure

- Complete OCS portal installation
- Complete drainage system installation
- Reprofile Track 1 and 2 catenary wires
- Install Track 1 and 2 crossovers



Completed portal near Leggett Interlocking, February 2024

#### Commissioning of Leggett Interlocking – Q4 2024



Factory test of fabricated railroad crossovers and switches at Voestalpine Railway Systems Nortrak facility in Birmingham, Alabama, August 2022

# Community Engagements

- Community Engagements
- Stay Up to Date

### **Community Engagements**

- Environmental Assessment: Virtual Public Meeting
- MTA Arts & Design Selection Panel: Co-op City, Morris Park, Parkchester, Hunts Point
- MTA Job Information Event
- Bronx-Westchester Community Council
- Center for Bronx Non-Profits
- Bronx Community Boards 2, 9, 10, and 11
- PSA / steMTA Program in local schools







# **Community Engagements**

- Co-op City Section 5 Public Information Session
- Hunts Point EDC Spring Mingle
- Bronx Chamber of Commerce
- Hunts Point-Longwood Community Coalition
- Four DCP Bronx Metro-North Study Workshops
- Bronx EDC
- New York Metropolitan Transportation Council

#### Upcoming:

- Bronx Community Boards 2, 9, 10, and 11
- PSA/steMTA Program in local schools
- Ongoing local job events and hiring fairs
- Ongoing local Stakeholder Meetings



### Stay Informed



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# Thank You Questions?