



Central Business District Tolling Program

Public Information Outreach Meetings for Environmental Justice Communities

The April 2019 Traffic Mobility Act authorized the Triborough Bridge and Tunnel Authority (TBTA) to design, develop, build, and implement a Central Business District (CBD) Tolling Program. The program is being designed to reduce congestion in the CBD and provide a reliable revenue source for investment in the region's mass transit network. The CBD would include the geographic area in Manhattan south and inclusive of 60th Street, except for the FDR Drive, the West Side Highway, Battery Park Underpass and any surface roadway portions of the Hugh L. Carey Tunnel connecting to West Street. Vehicles entering, or remaining in, the Manhattan CBD would pay a toll, which would be collected via a cashless tolling system.

As part of the federal approval process TBTA, together with New York City Department of Transportation (NYCDOT) and New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT), and in close coordination with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), the federal lead agency, is required to ensure that Environmental Justice Communities in the relevant counties in New York, New Jersey and Connecticut have a chance to learn about and weigh in on the project.

Upcoming public meetings will provide attendees with opportunities to:

- Get information about the CBD Tolling Program and potential positive and negative impacts on Environmental Justice Communities
- Comment on the proposed program
- Learn about the Environmental Justice Technical Advisory Group, and a separate Environmental Justice Stakeholder Working Group, and how to join or suggest someone for the latter.

There will be 3 virtual meetings, one each for relevant counties in New York, New Jersey, and Connecticut, though anyone may attend any or all of these:

Thursday, Oct. 7, 6 PM – 8 PM for New York

Tuesday, Oct. 12, 6 PM – 8 PM for New Jersey

Wednesday, Oct. 13, 6 PM – 8 PM for Connecticut

These virtual meetings are designed to make it easy for those who want to offer public comment and for those who simply want to watch.

Those who prefer to participate by phone may do so. Registration is only required for those who want to speak.

To register, go to new.mta.info/project/CBDTP or call the Public Meeting Hotline at (646) 252-6777

The meetings will also be livestreamed at new.mta.info/project/CBDTP.

Accessibility and Language Assistance Services

At the public meetings, CART Captioning and American Sign Language services will be available.

Members of the community who are deaf or hard of hearing can use their preferred relay service or the free 711 relay service, and then ask to be connected to the Public Meeting Hotline at (646) 252-6777 to speak with an agent.

Members of the community who are blind or have low vision can request accommodations no later than five business days prior to each meeting by submitting a request online at new.mta.info/project/CBDTP or by calling the Public Meeting Hotline at (646) 252-6777.

Members of the community who do not have access to a computer or who do not have access to the Internet can listen to each of the meetings by calling the Zoom meeting at 1-888-788-0099 (Toll Free). Then enter Webinar ID 826 0673 8045, followed by the pound (#) sign and then the pound (#) sign again.

If language assistance or any other accommodations are required, please submit a request at least five business days before the scheduled meeting date in one of the following ways: online at new.mta.info/project/CBDTP, by calling the Public Meeting Hotline at (646) 252-6777, or by sending a letter to MTA Government & Community Relations, Re: MTA CBDTP Public Meetings, 2 Broadway, D17.140, New York, NY 10004. For those who timely request language assistance, the MTA will provide translated information.

Residents in Environmental Justice communities may also participate in any of the 10 virtual public meetings pertaining to the federal Environmental Assessment process. For more information on all these meetings, the project, or to leave comments, please use the following:

Project website at new.mta.info/project/CBDTP

Email CBDTTP@mtabt.org

Mail to CBD Tolling Program, 2 Broadway, 23rd Floor, New York, NY 10004

Phone: 646-252-7440

