

Future Rail Investments Planned for the Northeast Corridor



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Rebecca Reyes-Alicea is the Northeast Corridor (NEC) Project Manager for the Federal Railroad Administration's Office of Railroad Policy and Development. She is also the Program Manager leading the NEC FUTURE program, which includes the completion of a Service Development Plan and Tier 1 Environmental Impact Statement to define future investments for the NEC. Rebecca has nearly 15 years of experience working in planning, development and management of public transportation and railroad projects throughout the country. Since joining the FRA she has managed the portfolio of projects along the NEC funded through the FRA's High Speed Intercity Passenger Rail Program and helped to create the foundation for the long-term planning framework for the NEC. Prior to joining the FRA she served as Community Planner and Director of Planning and Program Development in the Seattle and New York City Regional Offices of the Federal Transit Administration.

DATE:

Friday, March 28, 2014

2:00pm to 4:00pm

(Registration begins at 1:30pm) *Light Refreshments will be served*

Location:

New York Institute of Technology (NYIT)

1855 Broadway, 16 West 61st Street

11th Floor Auditorium

New York, NY 10023

<http://www.nyit.edu/aob/>

Description:

Population and employment in the Northeast is expected to grow some 25-35 percent over the next 25 years, bringing the prospect of economic prosperity and the reality of even more traffic and congestion. The Washington-Boston Northeast Corridor rail line already carries a significant portion of the region's travelers to and from work and other destinations. Its ability to absorb the crush of new travelers in the coming decades, and to support the region's economic development, will require a significant investment to grow capacity, improve reliability and serve new markets. The Federal Railroad Administration (FRA), an agency within the U.S. Department of Transportation, is leading development of a Passenger Rail Corridor Investment Plan – called NEC FUTURE – to define the investment required to keep the Northeast Corridor vibrant and to prepare the roadmap for federal, state and private investment. Rebecca Reyes-Alicea is FRA's program manager for NEC FUTURE. She will describe the nature of the planning process, the challenges in working on a corridor that crosses eight states and is served by commuter, intercity and freight railroads, and the steps NEC FUTURE is taking to develop a long-range investment program.

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