

# High Speed Rail Global Progress and Amtrak Update



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# TOPICS OF DISCUSSION

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- **Global Progress**
- **Amtrak and the Northeast Corridor**
- **8<sup>th</sup> World Congress**



# Definition: High Speed Rail Thresholds

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Operating at more than (+/-) 125 mph requires:

- special trains (train sets)
- special dedicated lines
- cab signalling

...and much more



## USDOT Definitions

**Core Express** – Connect large urban areas up to 500 miles apart within 2-3 hours on electrified, dedicated track (**125-250+ mph**)

**Regional** – Connect mid-sized urban areas up to 500 miles apart with service on dedicated and shared track (**90-125mph**)

**Emerging** – Connect smaller communities with service on shared track (**up to 90mph**)

# Understanding High Speed Rail

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**A very complex system, comprising state-of-the-art:**

- Infrastructure
- Rolling stock
- Signaling systems
- Maintenance systems
- Management
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- Station emplacement
- Operations rules
- Marketing
- Financing
- Legal issues

Considering all of them is fundamental



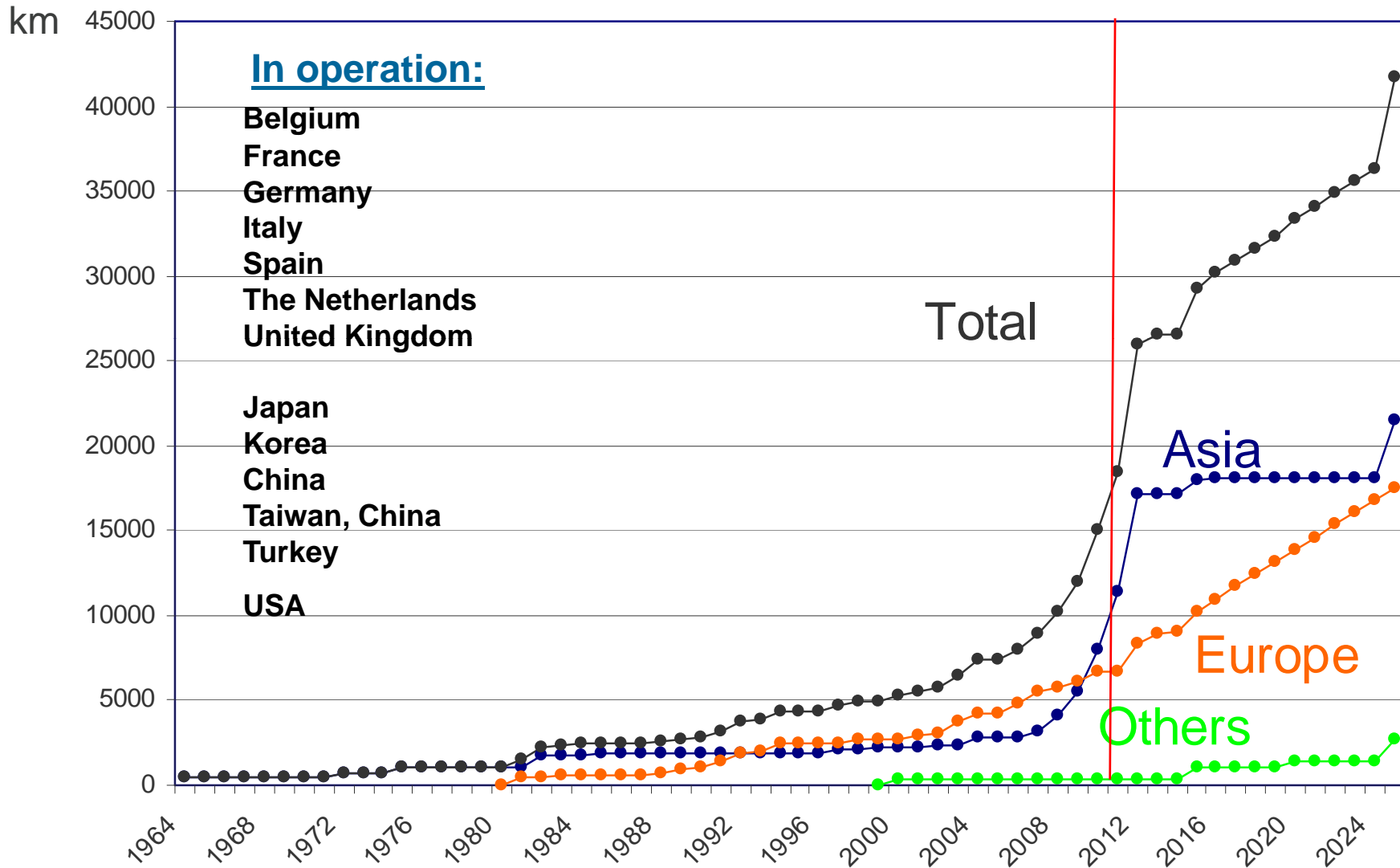
# High Speed Rail Advantages for Society

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- Offers a high capacity of transport
  - Up to 400,000 passengers per day, Tokyo – Osaka
  - Permits reducing traffic congestion
  - Helps economic development
  - Shapes land-use
- Offers sustainability



# Evolution of the World HS Network



# Global rolling stock high speed fleet



High speed train sets\* in operation in the world:

Maximum speed 200 km/h or more: 2.575

Maximum speed 250 km/h or more : 2.088

High speed train sets in production: 1.083

\* and trains operating on dedicated high speed lines

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# HSR Miles in Operation Exceeds 10,500 Miles

**TABLE 1**  
**High-Speed Rail in Operation and Under Construction Worldwide**

Country	In Operation				Under Construction			Total		
	First year of operation	Miles	Percent of Total	Top Speed (mph)	Miles	Percent of Total	Top Speed (mph)	Miles	Percent of Total	Annual Ridership
China	2003	3,914	37.2	220	2,696	55.9	220	6,610	43.1	290,540,000
Japan	1964	1,655	15.7	190	235	4.9	230	1,890	12.3	288,836,000
Spain	1992	1,278	12.2	190	1,098	22.7	190	2,376	15.5	28,751,000
France	1981	1,178	11.2	200	130	2.7	200	1,309	8.5	114,395,000
Germany	1991	798	7.6	190	235	4.9	190	1,033	6.7	73,709,000
Italy	1981	574	5.5	190	—	—	—	574	3.7	33,377,000
South Korea	2004	256	2.4	190	116	2.4	190	372	2.4	37,477,000
USA	2000	362	2.1	150	—	—	—	362	1.5	3,200,000
Taiwan	2007	214	2.0	190	—	—	—	214	1.4	32,349,000
Turkey	2009	146	1.4	160	317	6.6	160	463	3.0	942,000
Belgium	1997	130	1.2	190	—	—	—	130	0.8	9,561,000
The Netherlands	2009	75	0.7	190	—	—	—	75	0.5	6,005,000
United Kingdom	2003	70	0.7	190	—	—	—	70	0.5	9,220,000
World Total	—	10,513	100.0	—	4,827	100.0	—	15,340	100.0	928,362,000

Notes: Data is sorted by miles in operation. China's annual ridership is an estimate based on various news reports. USA's annual ridership reflects FY 2010 ridership on Amtrak's Acela Express service on the Northeast Corridor.

Source: UIC (2011; 2009).



# Our Panelists

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- **Masaki OGATA, Vice Chairman – Eastern Japan Railway**
- **Julien DEHORNOY, Senior Advisor, Strategy and Finances – SNCF Group**
- **Eduardo ROMO, President - Railways Research Foundation in Spain**

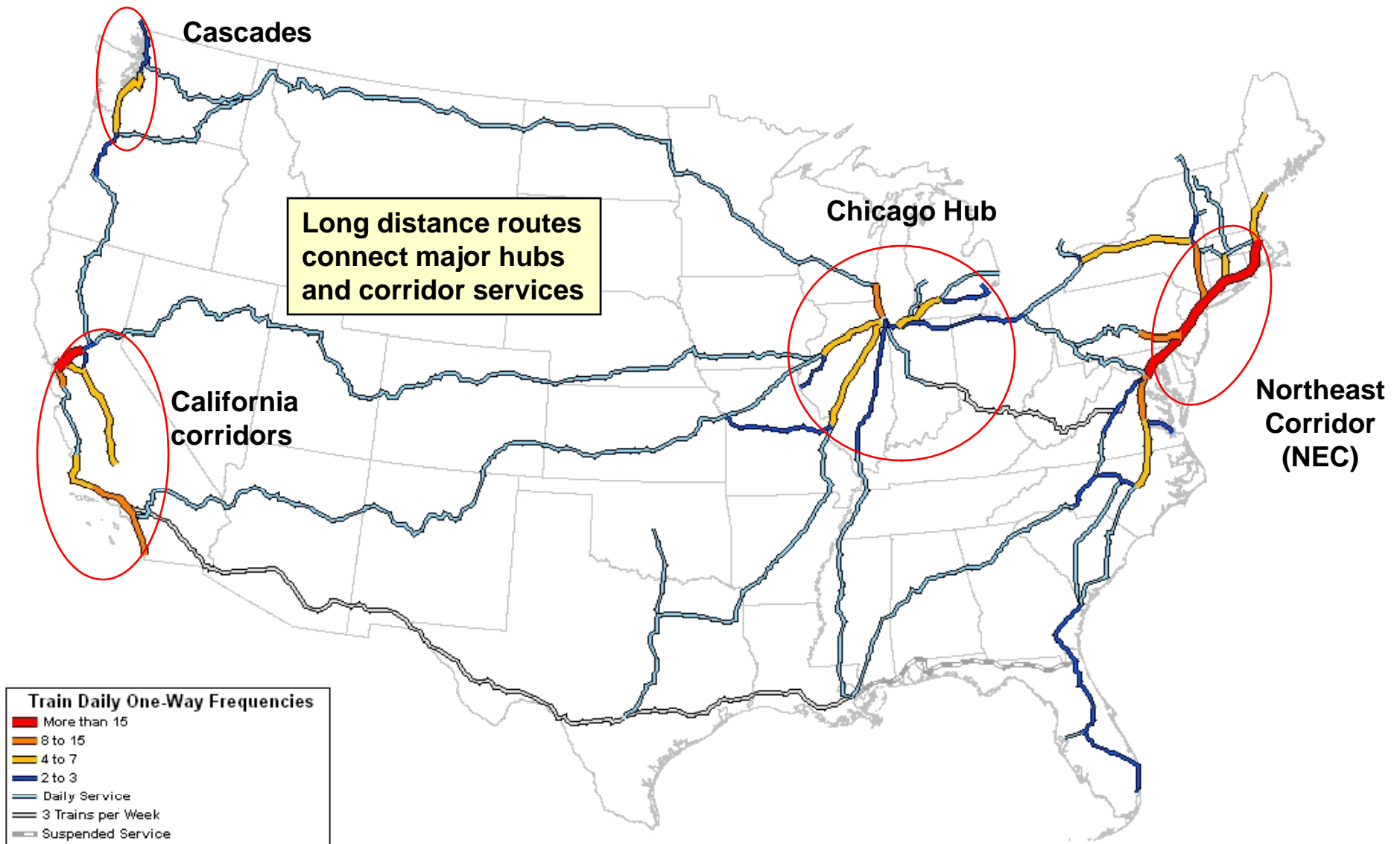
# Amtrak – We Improve the Quality of Life for Many People



- **National railroad: May 1, 1971 Congressionally chartered corporation**
- **20,000 employees operate a 21,100 mile system**
  - 310 daily intercity trains using 528 stations [70% of our train-miles run on freight tracks ]
  - 1,519 cars and 469 locomotives, 80 auto carriers, and 101 baggage cars
  - 60% of trains operate at top speeds in excess of 90 mph (145 kph)
- **The *Acela Express* is the fastest train in the Western Hemisphere, with a max. speed of 150 mph (241kph) and recovers 169% of operating expense**
- **Amtrak operates 27 million of its train miles (over 70%) over host railroads**
  - **six largest host railroads are:**
    - BNSF 6.8 M, Union Pacific 6.19 M, CSX 5.90 M, NS 2.49 M, CN 1.46 M,
    - Metro North 1.34 M
- **Amtrak generated total of \$2.51 billion in revenues in FY 10 (incl. ancillary business). Federal funding for Amtrak slightly less than \$1.6 billion in FY 10**
  - 8 of 9 years of growth; 30 million passengers in FY2011 – a new record!

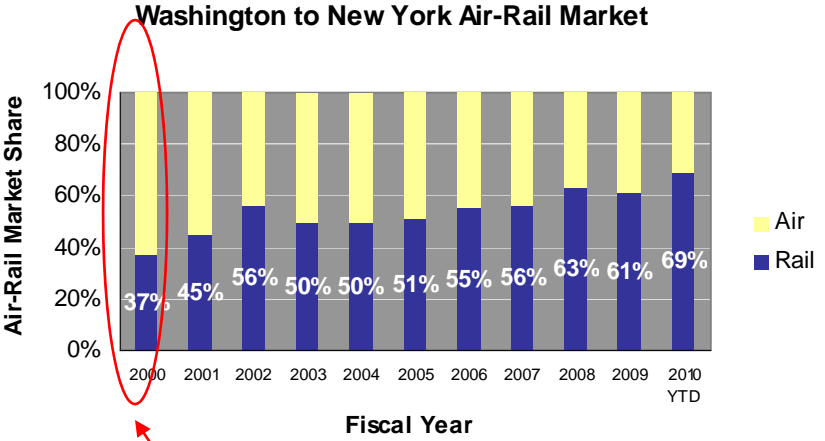
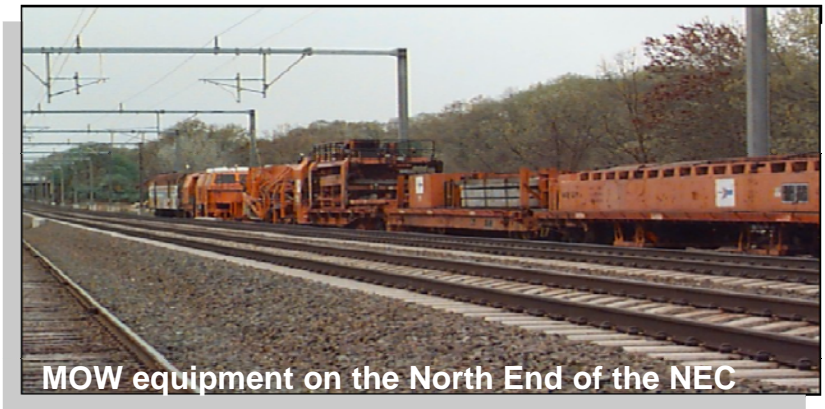


# We operate in 46 of the lower 48 states.....

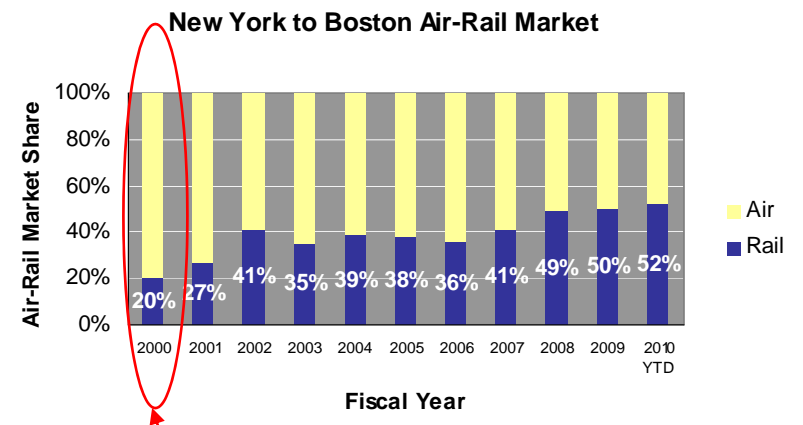


# NEC Rail Captures Larger Share

- We're operating a vital transportation link that can touch 150 mph – but the challenges are mounting
- We're also running out of capacity – but demand continues to grow
- *How do we solve these problems – and how do we grow?*



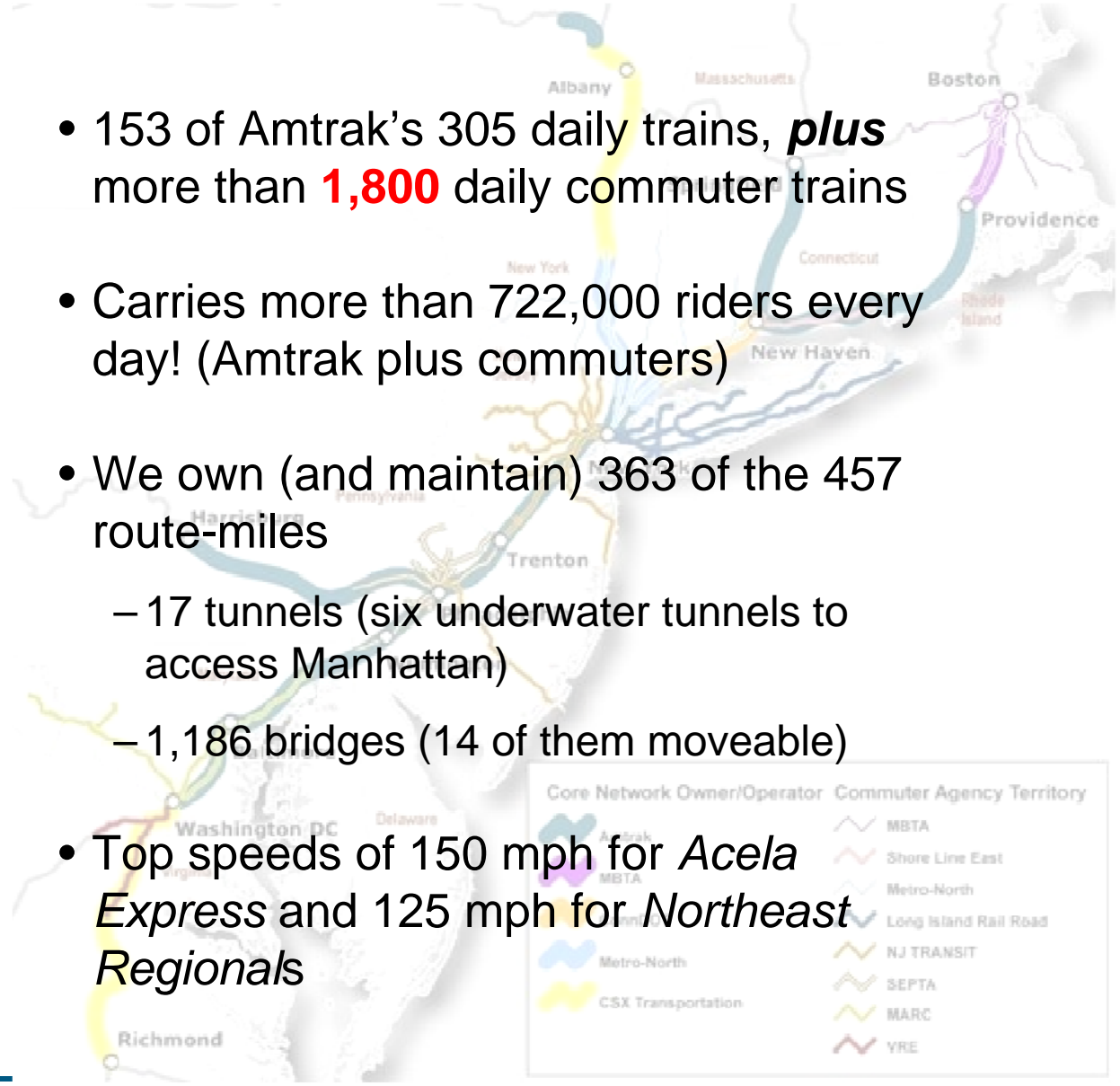
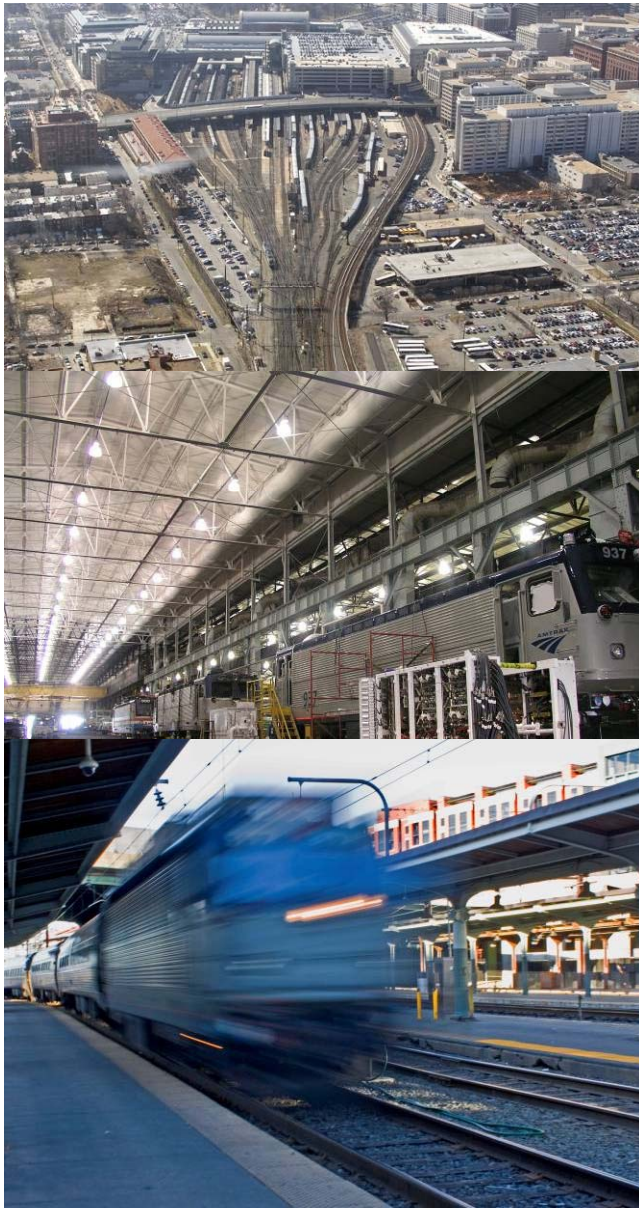
**Acela service introduced – 86% growth in South End ridership between FY 2000 and FY 2010**



**Acela service, electrification, and 125 mph Regional service introduced – 160% growth in North End ridership between FY 2000 and FY 2010**



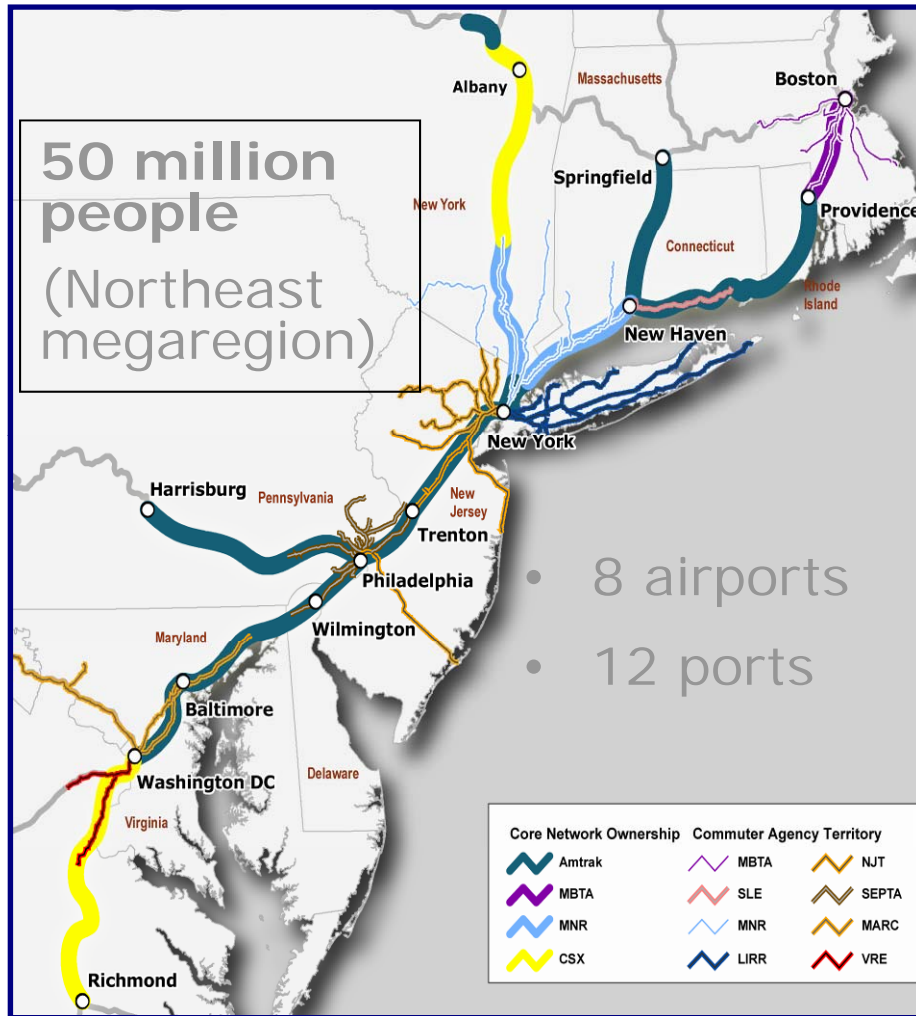
# Amtrak's Northeast Corridor – A Complex Operation



- 153 of Amtrak's 305 daily trains, **plus** more than **1,800** daily commuter trains
- Carries more than 722,000 riders every day! (Amtrak plus commuters)
- We own (and maintain) 363 of the 457 route-miles
  - 17 tunnels (six underwater tunnels to access Manhattan)
  - 1,186 bridges (14 of them moveable)
- Top speeds of 150 mph for *Acela Express* and 125 mph for *Northeast Regionals*



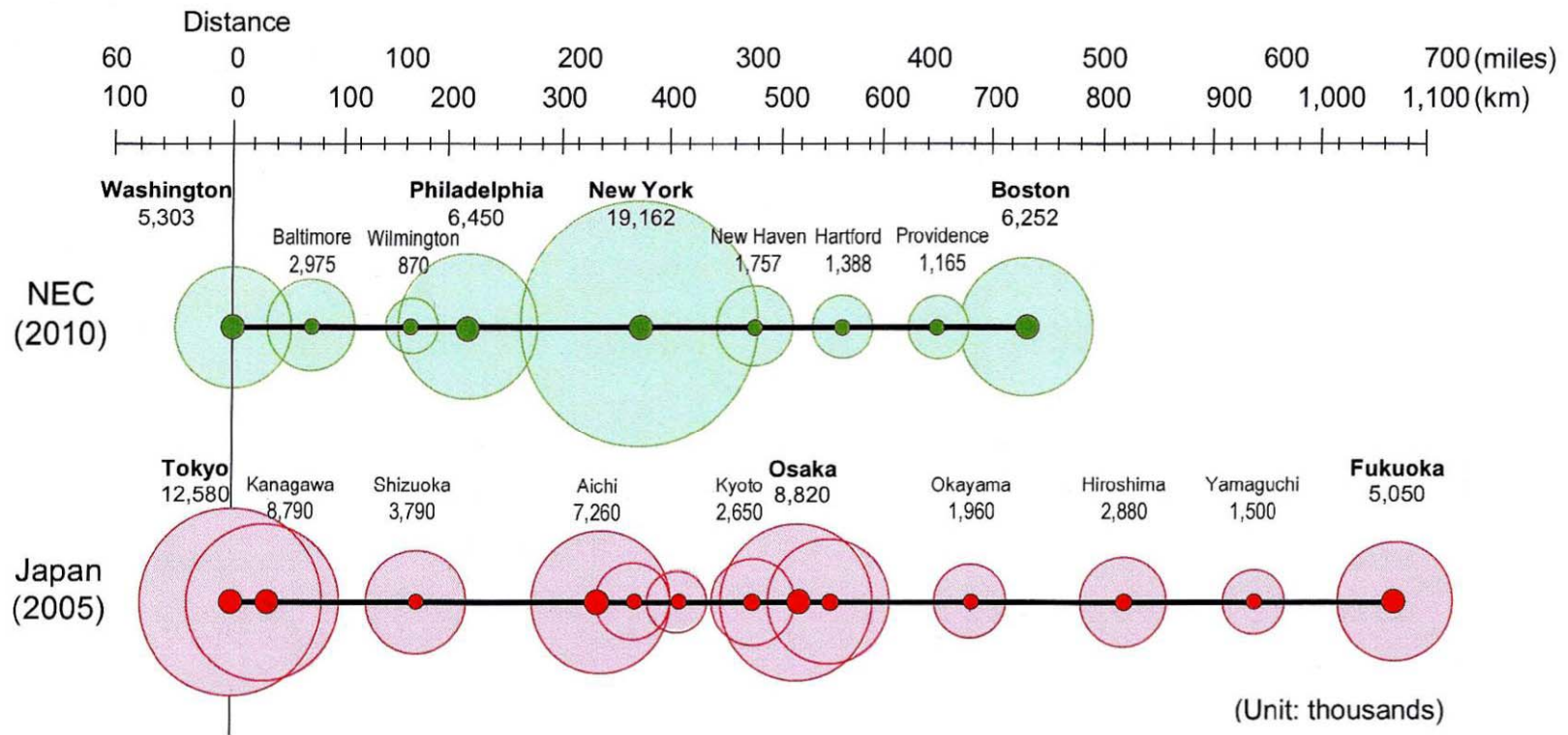
# Northeast Corridor and HSR - Regional Overview



- 2<sup>nd</sup> largest mega-region in the world
- Economic and political capital of the Americas
- 20% of US GDP
- Population density => Europe and 12 times US average
- 1400 route miles 12 states, DC
- 8 commuter operators
- Class 1 and regional freight
- Amtrak high speed, regional, long-distance

# NEC Compares Favorably to Most Successful HSR Corridor

Population Distribution Comparison

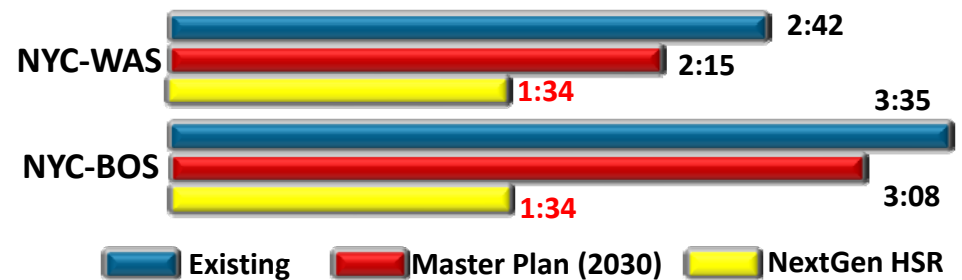


# NEC NextGen HSR: Reduced Trip Time – Surge in Capacity



## World-Class High-Speed Network:

- Dedicated 2 - track alignment; 220 mph equipment
- 40% - 60% travel-time reductions in key markets
- Boston – Washington DC: from 6:30 to 3:20



### Service Departures (Each Direction)

	Current	Next-Gen HSR
Hourly	1	3-4
Daily	10-15	53-73

### Average Speeds (Super Express)

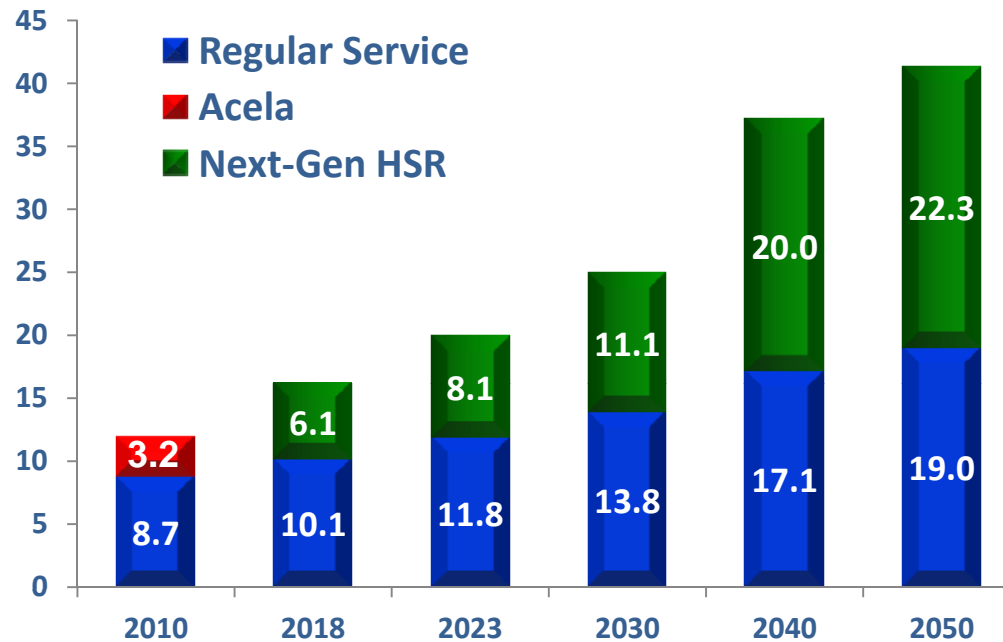
	Current	Next-Gen HSR
NYC - BOS	65 mph	148 mph
NYC - DC	86 mph	137 mph





# NEC NextGen HSR: Significant Growth in Ridership

Total NEC Ridership by Service in Milestone Years: 2010 - 2050

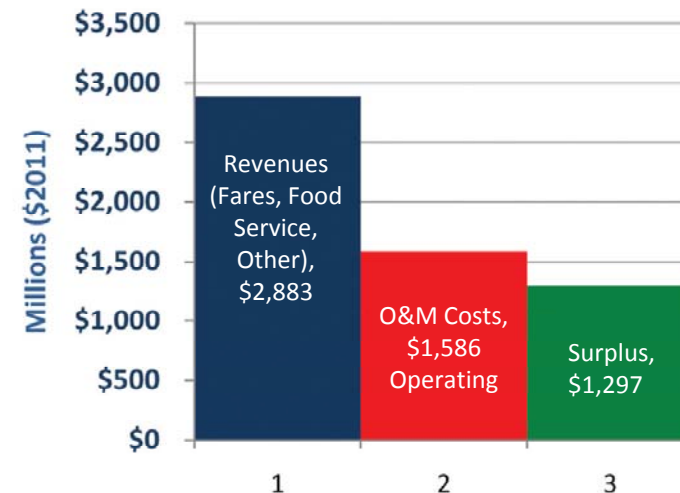
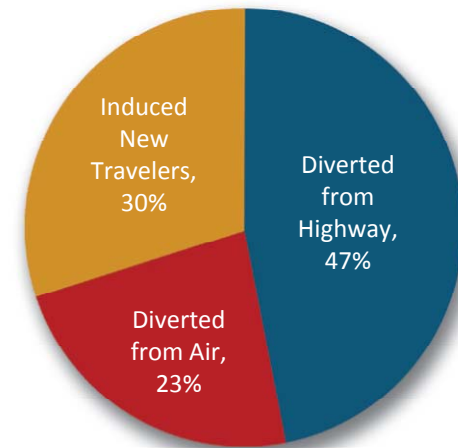


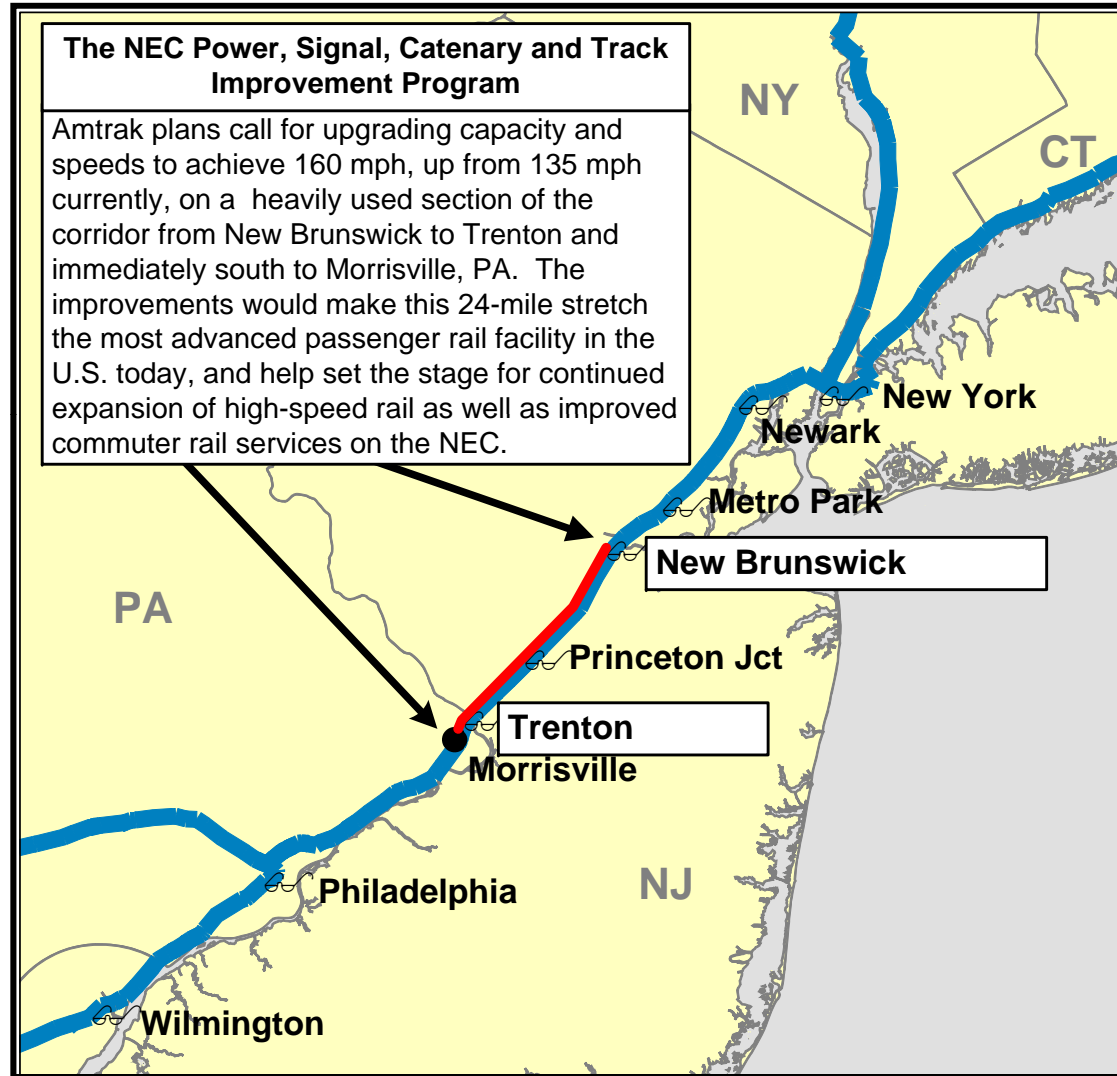
- Increase in ridership under Master Plan vs. NextGen:

2018	2023	2030	2040	2050
47%	50%	66%	198%	232%

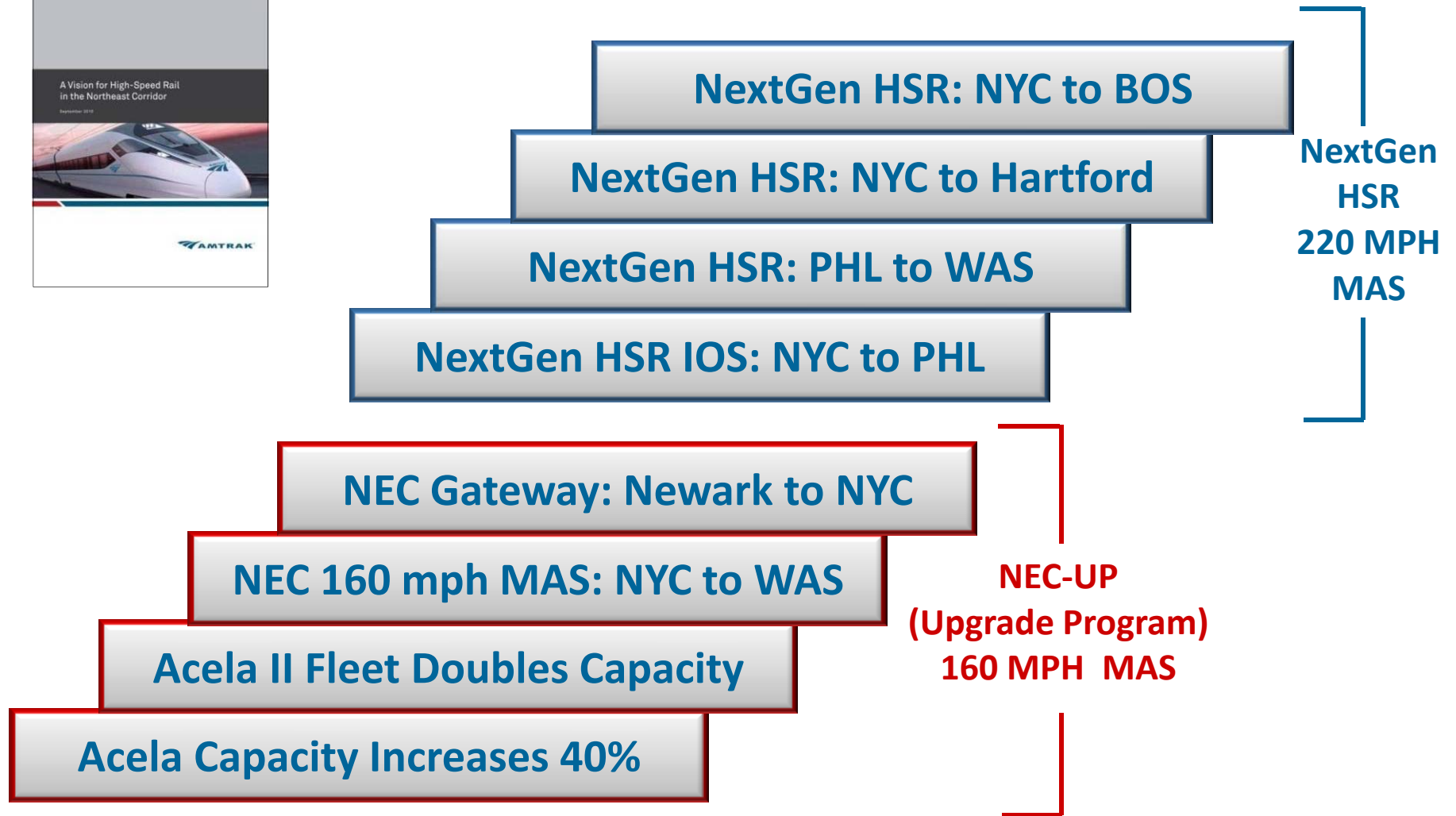
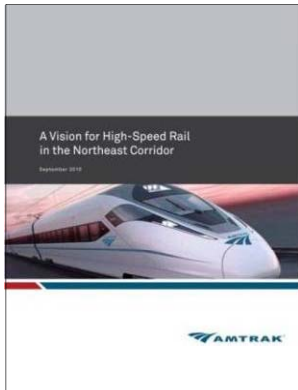
# NEC NextGen HSR: Operating Surplus of \$1.3 Billion

- NextGen HSR operations generates \$1.297 billion annual surplus
- Costs Include:
  - O&M costs
  - Capital Renewal (infrastructure & rolling stock): long-term equipment & capital repair
- Employment Opportunities:
  - 44,000 full-time jobs annually over a 25 year for construction
  - 120,000 permanent jobs
  - 7,100 new rail operations jobs
- Investment: \$116.47 billion
  - Benefit/Cost multiplier: 2.27

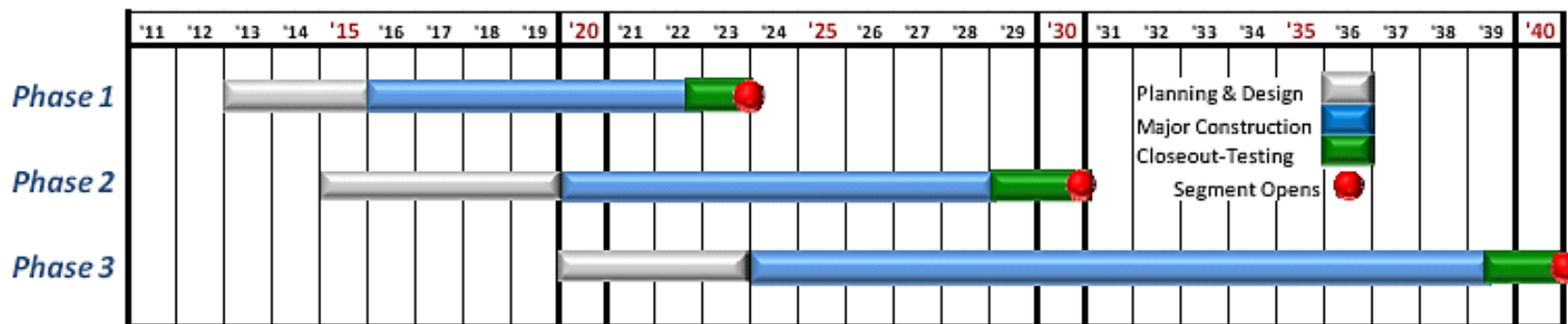




# Implementation Phasing Strategy



# Implementation Phasing Strategy – Program Timeline



Two New Dedicated Tracks: NYC - PHL  
 New Stations & Infra: NYC - PHL

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NextGen  
 HSR IOS  
 NYC- PHL

NextGen  
 NYC - WAS

Two New Dedicated Tracks: NYC - WAS  
 New Stations & Infra: NYC - WAS

Two New Dedicated Tracks: NYC - BOS  
 New Stations: NYC East (GCT) - BOS  
 New Infrastructure: NYC - BOS

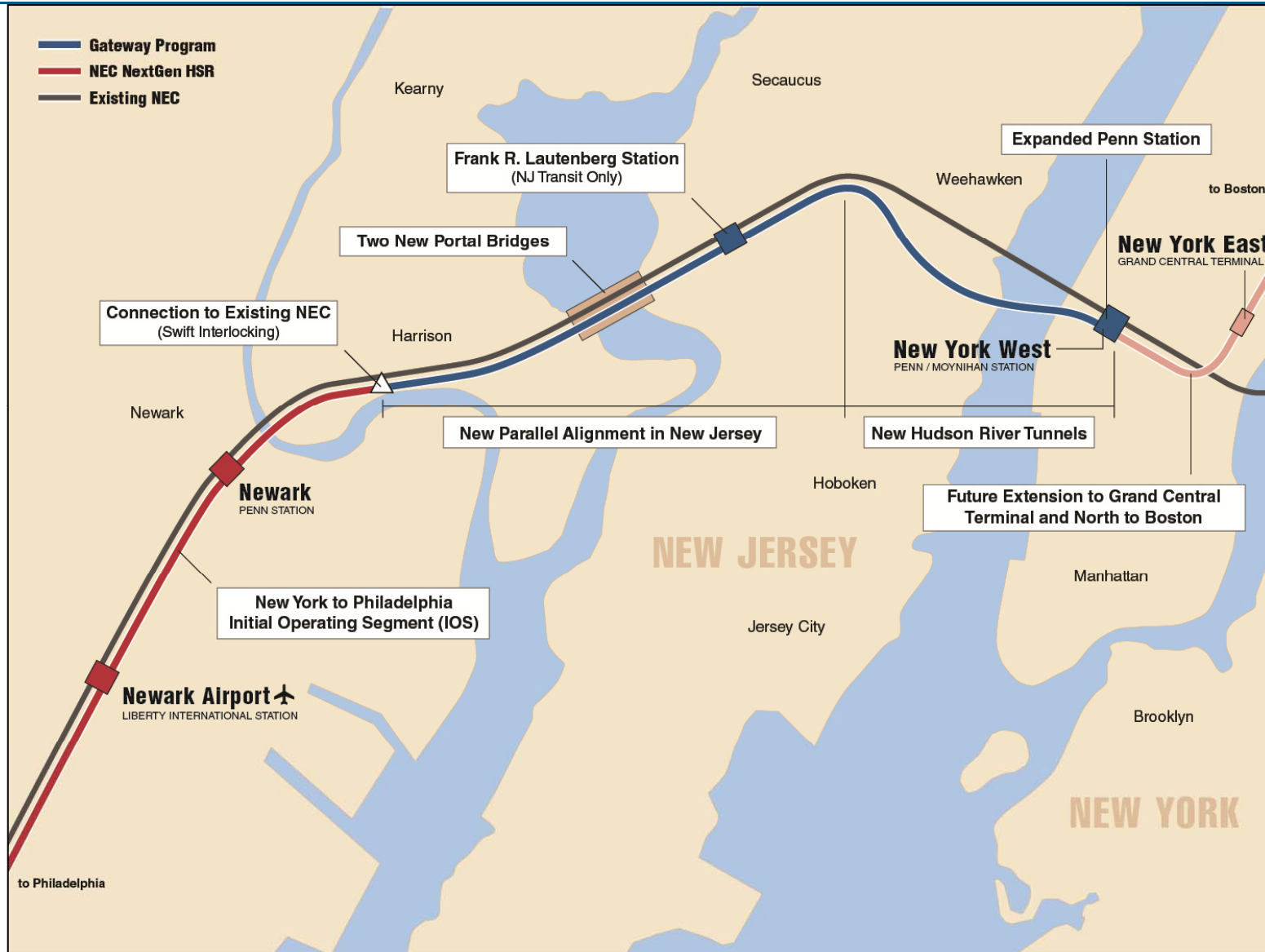
NextGen  
 NYC - BOS



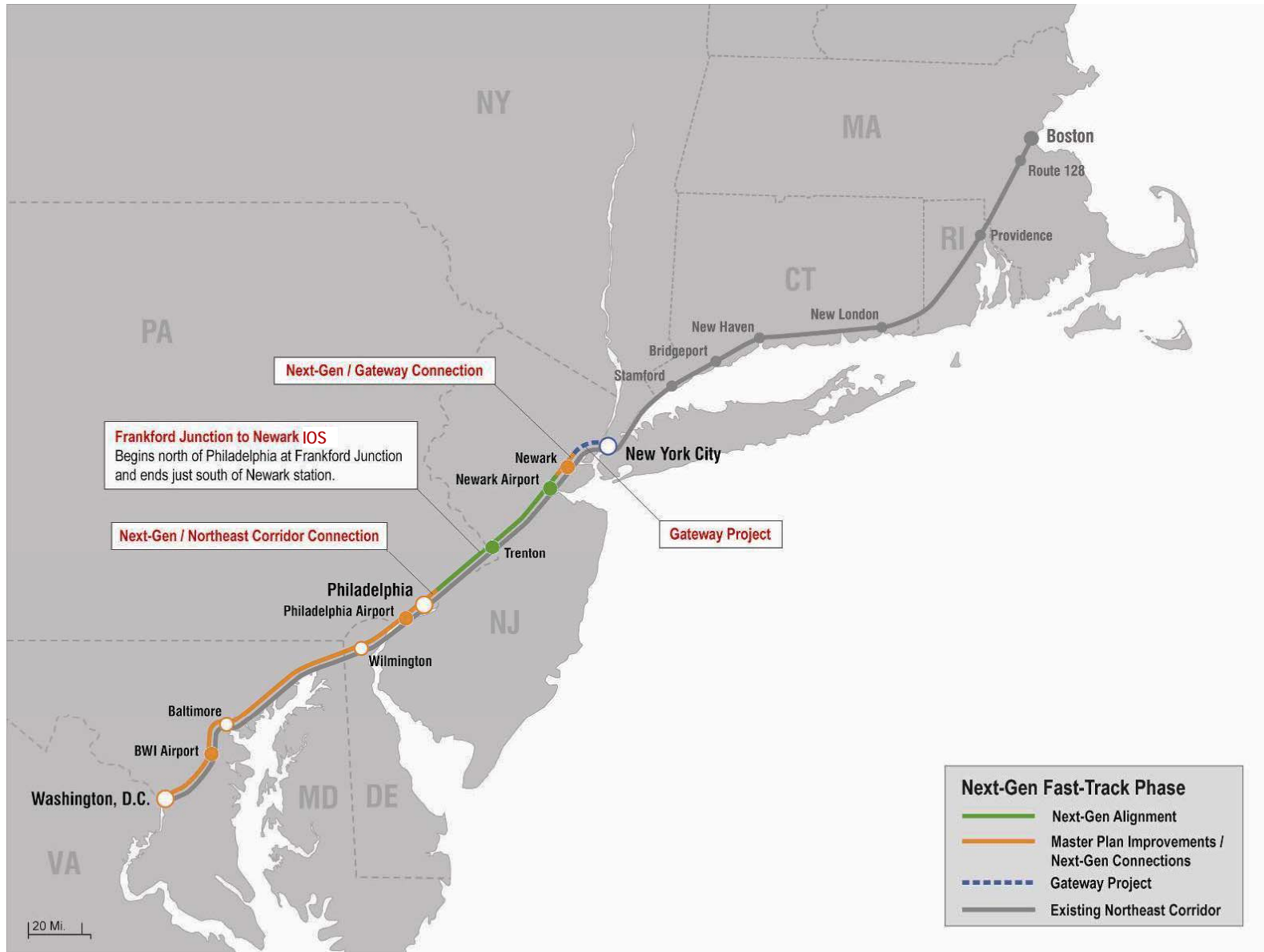
**BOS – NYC – WAS**  
**3:20 Trip Time**

\* NEC Next-Gen HSR alignment contingent upon NEC PEIS

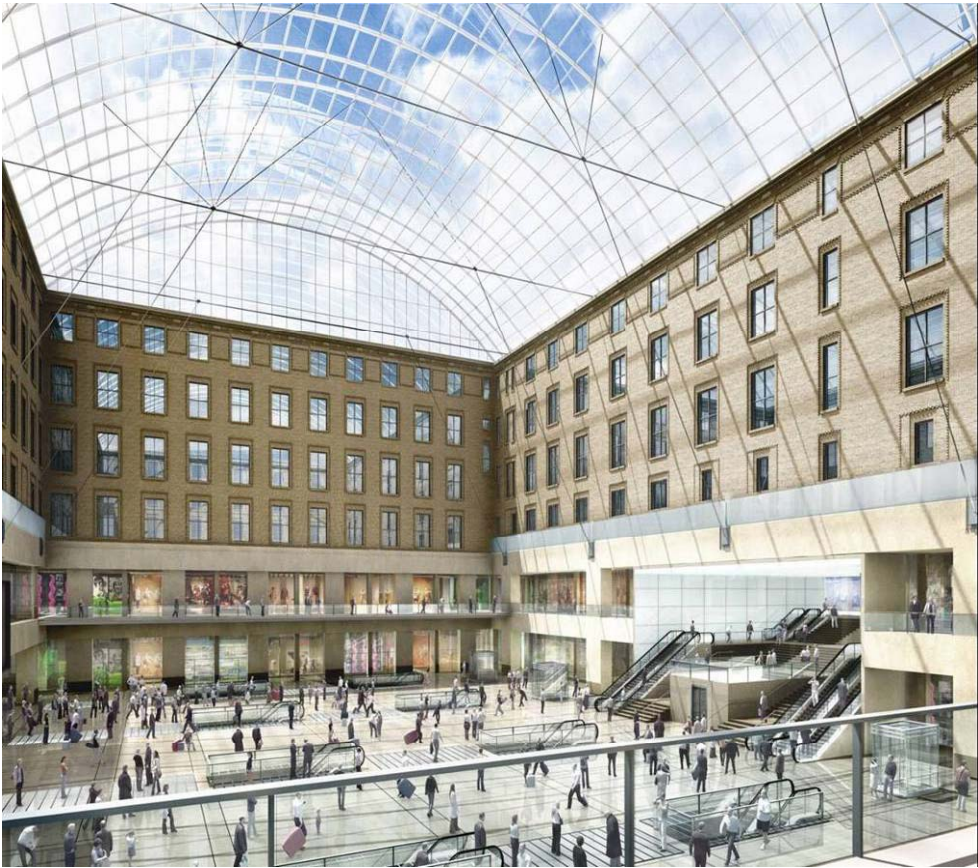
# Gateway Program – Newark to New York



# NextGen HSR Initial Operating Segment (IOS) NYC – PHL (2023)

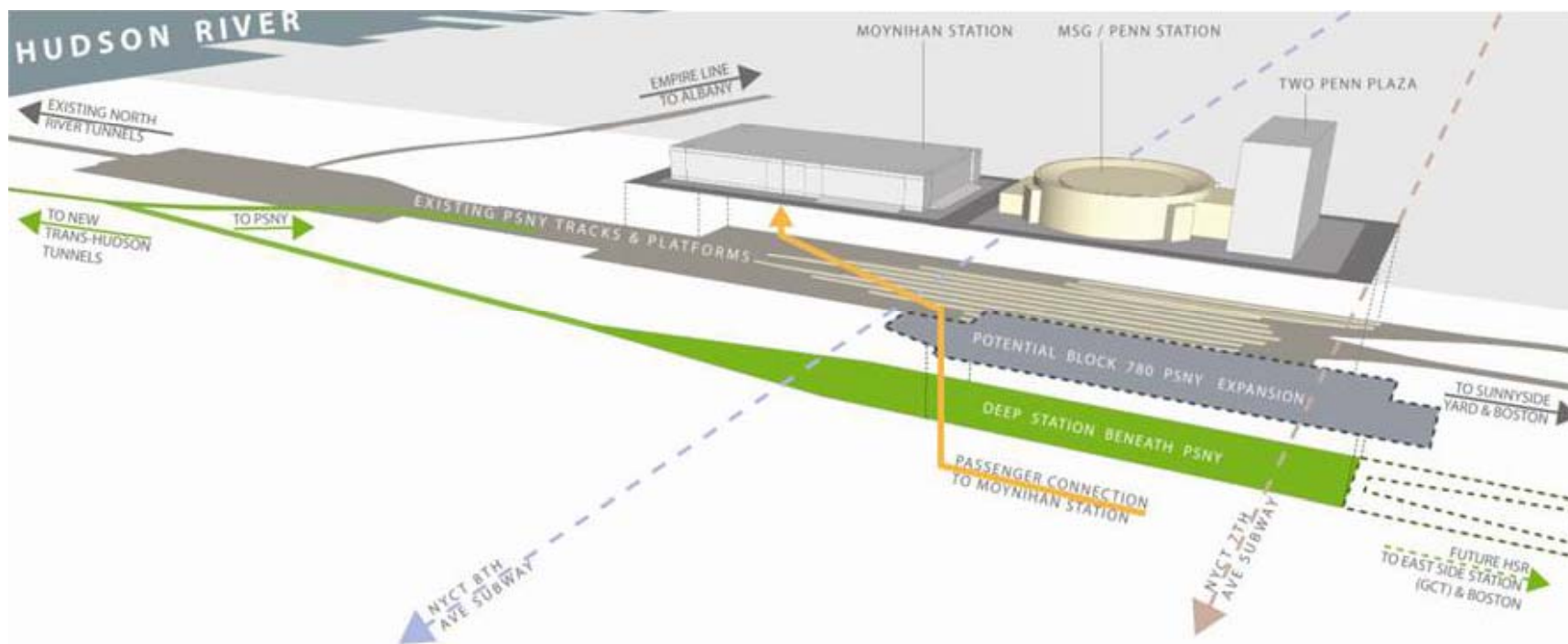


# Gateway Project – Expanded Moynihan/Penn Station





# Deep Level Station Under Penn/Moynihan Station



# UIC 8<sup>th</sup> World Congress on HSR – Philadelphia 2012



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- Trade exhibitions, technical tours and networking activities for 3-days
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