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## Bipartisan Infrastructure Law Already Advancing Critical Projects

Increased infrastructure investment provided in the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law—in combination with annual appropriations approved by Congress—is already resulting in tangible improvements to the U.S. rail network and national rail fleet.

### Putting BIL's Intercity Rail Funding to Work

The BIL provides \$66 billion in guaranteed capital funding for rail over the five-year life of the bill, with another \$35.8 billion authorized for capital programs and operating funds (and subject to annual Congressional appropriations).

**Modernizing Amtrak's Fleet:** BIL funding enables Amtrak to begin replacing its 20th century fleet on long-distance, State supported, and NEC services. Amtrak continues to roll out new state-owned Siemens Venture trainsets, refreshing current long-distance equipment, and is advancing the procurement of the next-generation long-distance trainsets.

**Siemens Manufacturing Facility – North Carolina:** Siemens announced in March 2023 that it is building a \$220 million advanced manufacturing and rail services facility in Lexington, NC in response to increased U.S. rail investment. The facility will begin production in 2024, create more than 500 new jobs by 2028, and grow the state's economy by \$1.6 billion over 12 years.

**ADA Stations:** With more than \$1 billion of ADA station accessibility projects in the pipeline, Amtrak is set to complete over 100 ADA station projects in FY23 and FY24.

**Hudson River Tunnel Project – New York + New Jersey:** The Gateway Development Commission is funding design and construction activities for new intercity and transit rail tunnels between New York and New Jersey, adding redundancy to the current 112-year-old tunnels. This project will create 72,000 jobs while improving reliability for the entire region.

**Gulf Coast Rail Restoration – Louisiana + Mississippi + Alabama:** In December 2022, Amtrak, CSX Transportation, Norfolk Southern and the Port of Mobile struck an agreement to allow the restoration of passenger rail service along the Gulf Coast Corridor, knocked offline by Hurricane Katrina. The Southern Rail Commission hopes to launch service by the end of 2023 and will rely on federal grants for construction work.

**B&P Tunnel Project – Maryland:** Amtrak announced in March 2023 that they have launched early construction activities on the B&P Tunnel Replacement Program. This project will replace a 1.4 mile, 150-year-old tunnel, eliminating a critical NEC chokepoint.

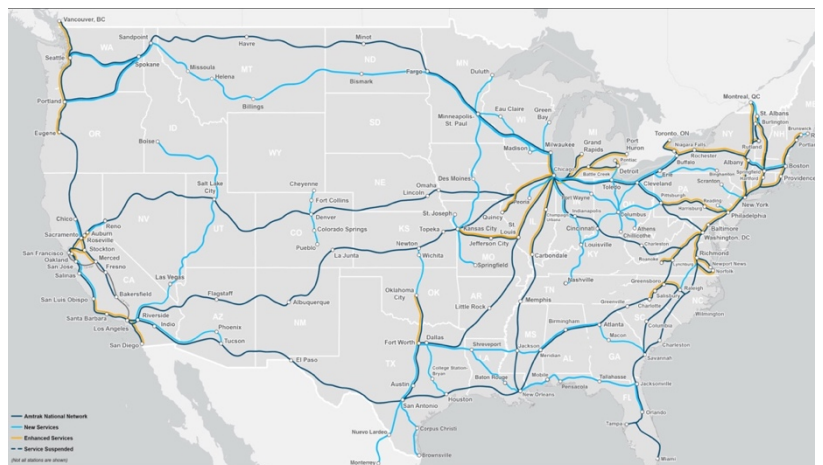
## Proposed FY2024 Transit Capital Investment Grants

The U.S. Department of Transportation has issued recommended funding levels for 18 large transit projects across 11 states, using a mix of BIL and Congressionally appropriated funds, including:

- **California:** Los Angeles Westside Subway Section 2 and Section 3 rail projects to better connect downtown Los Angeles with the Westside. (\$643 million)
- **New York/New Jersey:** Hudson Tunnel Project. (\$700 million)
- **Utah:** Utah DOT's FrontRunner Strategic Double Track project to upgrade sections of the current system and purchase 10 new train sets. (\$317 million)

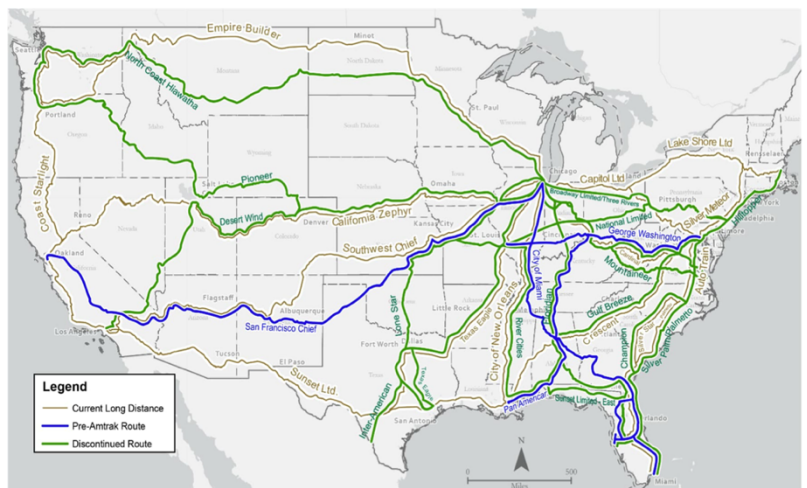
## Corridor Identification Program

As part of the Corridor ID Program, the Federal Railroad Administration is currently building a project pipeline inventory based upon applications submitted by States and other eligible. On May 13, 2023, the FRA will deliver this project pipeline to Congress, selecting passenger rail corridors for development, identifying an inventory of capital projects, and establishing a schedule for prioritizing projects based on the availability of funds.



## FRA Amtrak Daily Long-Distance Service Study

The FRA is also conducting a study to evaluate the restoration of daily long-distance intercity rail passenger service and the potential for new Amtrak long-distance routes. The FRA's final report will be delivered to Congress in November 2023, providing a long-term blueprint for developing interstate passenger rail service, identifying necessary capital projects and funding sources.



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