## Chapter 27:

# **Distribution of EIS**

### **27.1 INTRODUCTION**

This chapter describes the distribution for the Hudson Tunnel Project Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), including distribution of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) and the Final EIS (FEIS). As discussed in Chapter 25, "Process, Agency Coordination, and Public Involvement," the DEIS was distributed to a wide list of organizations and individuals with an interest in the Project. The FEIS has been distributed to the same list, with several additions, including organizations and individuals who commented on the DEIS and others who joined the Project mailing list after the distribution of the DEIS.

### **27.2 DEIS DISTRIBUTION**

### 27.2.1 DEIS DISTRIBUTION LIST

The Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) and the New Jersey Transit Corporation (NJ TRANSIT) made the DEIS, including all appendices, available to the following agencies and organizations:

#### 27.2.1.1 PROJECT PARTNERS

National Railroad Passenger Corporation (Amtrak) Port Authority of New York and New Jersey (PANYNJ)

#### 27.2.1.2 FEDERAL AGENCIES

Advisory Council on Historic Preservation Federal Emergency Management Agency Federal Transit Administration

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Marine Fisheries Service

- U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
- U.S. Coast Guard

U.S. Department of Homeland Security

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

U.S. Department of Interior (USDOI), Office of Environmental Policy and Compliance

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

USDOI, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

### 27.2.1.3 STATE AGENCIES AND ENTITIES

#### 27.2.1.3.1 New Jersey

New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection New Jersey Department of Transportation New Jersey Department of Transportation – Research Library New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority New Jersey State Historic Preservation Office



New Jersey State Library North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority

#### 27.2.1.3.2 New York

Hudson River Park Trust Metropolitan Transportation Authority New York Metropolitan Transportation Council New York State Department of Environmental Conservation New York State Department of State New York State Department of Transportation New York State Historic Preservation Office New York State Historic Preservation Office

### 27.2.1.4 LOCAL AGENCIES

### 27.2.1.4.1 New Jersey

Hudson County Division of City Planning and County Executive's Office Bayonne: City of Bayonne Mayor's Office East Newark: Borough of East Newark Mayor's Office Guttenberg: Town of Guttenberg Mayor's Office Harrison: Town of Harrison Mayor's Office Hoboken: City of Hoboken Mayor's Office and Planning Board Jersey City: City of Jersey City Mayor's Office Kearny: Town of Kearny Mayor's Office North Bergen: Township of North Bergen Mayor's Office and Department of Public Works Secaucus: Town of Secaucus Mayor's Office and Town Clerk's Office Union City: City of Union City Mayor's Office and City Clerk's Office Weehawken: Township of Weehawken Mayor's Office and Township Clerk's Office West New York: Town of West New York Mayor's Office

### 27.2.1.4.2 New York

New York City Department of City Planning New York City Department of Environmental Protection New York City Department of Parks and Recreation New York City Department of Transportation New York City Mayor's Office of Capital Project Development New York City Mayor's Office of Recovery and Resiliency New York City Mayor's Office of Sustainability

### 27.2.1.5 STAKEHOLDERS AND GENERAL PUBLIC

A notification of DEIS availability with a link to the website posting and a list of document availability locations was sent to the Project mailing list, which as of the time of DEIS publication included approximately 1,800 individual contacts including agency staff (170 individuals); elected officials and their staff (150); affected property owners and residents of affected properties (350); residents of neighborhoods near the construction sites (300); and members of the general public, including meeting attendees and others who had signed up to receive notifications through the Project website.

### 27.2.2 DEIS DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY LOCATIONS

In addition to posting on the Project website, the DEIS, including all appendices, was made available at local viewing locations (libraries and other publicly accessible locations) listed in

Chapter 25, "Process, Agency Coordination, and Public Involvement," which were also listed on the Project website (<u>www.hudsontunnelproject.com</u>).

## 27.3 FEIS DISTRIBUTION

Following completion of the DEIS, the PANYNJ became the Project Sponsor for the Hudson Tunnel Project (see Chapter 1, "Purpose and Need," Section 1.1.2, for more information). FRA, NJ TRANSIT, and the PANYNJ made the FEIS, including all appendices, available to the same list as the DEIS, with several additions, including organizations and individuals who commented on the DEIS and others who joined the Project mailing list after the distribution of the DEIS. FRA, NJ TRANSIT, and the PANYNJ sent a notification of FEIS availability with a link to the website posting to the Project mailing list. Due to the COVID-19 global health crisis and evolving policies regarding printed reference materials, FRA, NJ TRANSIT, and the PANYNJ did not place printed copies of the FEIS at the full list of local viewing locations that held copies of the DEIS for public review. Many of those viewing locations are not currently open to the COVID-19 pandemic.

**Table 27-1** lists the viewing locations where the FEIS is available. Given the evolving rules and guidance related to COVID-19, this list is likely to change following completion of the FEIS. The Project Sponsor, in cooperation with the Project Partners, will provide updated information on the Project website (<u>www.hudsontunnelproject.com</u>) about viewing locations for the FEIS and ROD.

	Table 27-1 FEIS Viewing Locations
Location	Conditions
New Jersey Locations	
Secaucus Main Library 1379 Paterson Plank Rd. Secaucus	Time limits for visitors (visitors may use computers for up to one hour, or browse the library collection for up to half an hour).
North Bergen Library 8411 Bergenline Ave. North Bergen	Time limits for visitors (visitors may review materials for up to an hour).
Hoboken Public Library 500 Park Ave. Hoboken	Open for document review with no restrictions.
New York Locations	
Manhattan Community Board 4 330 West 42nd St., 26th Floor New York	Visitors should call ahead to make an appointment: 212-736-4536.
Manhattan Community Board 5 450 Fashion Ave., #2109 New York	Visitors should call ahead to confirm office hours: 212-465-0907.