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## **Trump's Transportation Secretary Sean P. Duffy Announces Schedule for New York Penn Station "Transformation" Project, New \$43 Million Grant to Jumpstart Work**

*Construction for this new, world-class transit hub will begin by the end of 2027*

**NEW YORK, NY** – U.S. Transportation Secretary Sean P. Duffy and Special Advisor Andy Byford today announced that the New York Penn Station "Transformation" Project will begin construction by the end of 2027. A detailed breakdown of the project schedule can be found [here](#).

To jumpstart this aggressive schedule, Secretary Duffy also announced today that the Department of Transportation will provide Amtrak with nearly \$43 million in federal grant funding.

*"Crumbling infrastructure, bleak and dirty architecture, unnavigable hallways, and no inviting spaces for families with kids – the current state of Penn Station is unacceptable," said U.S. Transportation Secretary Sean P. Duffy. "Under President Trump's direction, we will transform Penn Station into a world-class transit hub that is beautiful, safe, and clean. The aggressive schedule we've outlined will ensure we are back on track to deliver a gleaming monument worthy of New York City."*

*"The transformation of New York Penn Station is underway, and USDOT and Amtrak are strongly committed to beginning construction by the end of 2027," said **Special Advisor to the Amtrak Board Andy Byford**. "We're grateful to Secretary Duffy and the entire Department of Transportation, as well as President Trump and his administration, for bringing urgency and clarity to the Station's Transformation and their confidence in allowing Amtrak to carry out their vision for a world-class, safe, and modern station."*

To meet this timeline, Special Advisor Byford will begin the process today to solicit a master developer – a key player in the public-private partnership model to transform Penn Station. The

formal process will start by the end of October 2025 and a selection will be made by the end of May 2026.

**Additional Information:**

In [April](#), Secretary Duffy announced USDOT and Amtrak were taking control of the Penn Station overhaul from the New York Metropolitan Transportation (MTA). As part of the Announcement, USDOT withdrew \$72 million in grant funding.

This was done because Amtrak owns the station, and the MTA proved it was incapable of delivering major infrastructure on time or on budget.

In [May](#), Secretary Duffy announced the appointment of Andy Byford as Special Advisor to the Amtrak Board of Directors for the redevelopment of New York Penn Station.

The nearly \$43 million grant will support project development and the solicitation of a master developer, as well as permitting and preliminary engineering work.