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SUSQUEHANNA RIVER RAIL BRIDGE PROJECT



Recent Progress

Amtrak has achieved a significant milestone in the Susquehanna River Rail Bridge Project with the selection of the Flatiron—Herzog Joint Venture as the major construction contractors for this delivery program. The award follows a year-long competitive procurement that began in October 2022. Amtrak also awarded the project and construction management contract to AECOM, who will be an extension of Amtrak to support the completion of the design phase and perform the construction management for the Project. They are integrated with the Flatiron—Herzog Joint Venture to ensure a fully functional delivery team. Finally, Amtrak also awarded a construction contract to Fay Construction for the removal of the existing remnant piers. The entire investment for the Susquehanna River Rail Bridge Project is estimated at \$2.7 billion dollars which is supported in part by federal funding from the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), along with contributions from Amtrak and the State of Maryland.



The Amtrak team and its consultants on a site visit to the Susquehanna River Rail Bridge.

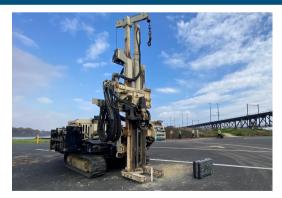
In the News

On November 6, 2023 the Biden-Harris Administration announced nearly \$10 billion in federal funding for 12 Amtrak-led infrastructure projects, including the Susquehanna River Rail Bridge Project. This grant funding will support the modernization of Amtrak's Northeast Corridor and resolve major bottlenecks on the busiest passenger rail corridor in America. Click here to read more about the announcement.



What's Happening Here?

The Amtrak Environmental team is performing environmental site surveys in various locations in and around the Project location. Phase I environmental assessments were completed for proposed easement sites required for the Project. The assessments include desktop research to understand the history and current use of the land being studied. This assessment helped inform the team on which sites should have additional studies including drilling for soil and groundwater samples. These studies are used to determine if the soil in the Project site will need to be excavated and disposed of during the construction phase. The Amtrak Environmental team performs this work adhering to all applicable regulations set forth by the Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) and the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA).



The Amtrak Environmental team uses a geoprobe to take soil samples from specific locations at defined depths. Geoprobes collect a continuous soil sample which is then analyzed for various environmental contaminants. Once the sample is taken, the borings are filled with backfill to restore the ground surface back to its pre-condition.

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Holiday Spirit at Holly Jolly

The Amtrak Susquehanna River Rail Bridge team was proud to ring in the holiday spirit at the annual Holly Jolly event in the City of Havre de Grace on December 8, 2023 and December 16, 2023. Each year the City of Havre de Grace and the surrounding communities enjoy holiday entertainment and shopping while admiring the thousands of holiday lights adorning the City's downtown along the Susquehanna River. This year, the Amtrak team hosted an outreach table. handed out children's Amtrak conductor hats at the train garden, and sponsored horse drawn carriage rides. Our participation in the Holly Jolly will be the first of many opportunities for Amtrak commitment to demonstrate our community through local engagement, collaboration, and communication through enhancing relationships with all stakeholders.



At the 2023 Holly Jolly event in the City of Havre de Grace, Amtrak sponsored horse drawn carriage rides in partnership with the City of Havre de Grace Visitor's Center.

Up Next ...

The Amtrak Susquehanna River Rail Bridge Project has a busy year ahead, developing final design, securing various permit approvals, advancing property acquisitions, commencing work on the remnant pier removal, and more. In-river work for the remnant pier removal will begin in mid-June. For more information, <u>click here</u> for the Remnant Pier Removal Fact Sheet.



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