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SUSQUEHANNA RIVER RAIL BRIDGE PROJECT



Project Update



The Amtrak Susquehanna River Bridge Project is a critical infrastructure project that will improve rail connectivity along the Northeast Corridor (NEC) by replacing the existing two-track bridge over the Susquehanna River between the City of Havre de Grace in Harford County, Maryland, and the Town of Perryville in Cecil County, Maryland. The new structures will include two new, fixed parallel bridges with greater vertical and horizontal clearances for marine traffic. Amtrak is beginning preparatory work for the project. This project update describes recent progress and upcoming activities residents and business owners may see in the coming months. The activity descriptions and general locations below are dynamic and subject to change.

Recent Progress

- Crews completed preliminary environmental and geotechnical borings and stream bed samples.
- Crews completed preliminary archaeological surveys and prepared field data reports.
- Team continued to coordinate with state and federal agencies to secure various permits, including a Water Quality Certification which was recently issued by the Maryland Department of the Environment.



Archaeological field work

Environmental Surveys

- Crews will continue to conduct surveys to gather information about natural and archaeological resources and ambient noise and vibration in the first and second quarter of 2025.
- Surveys will be conducted during daytime weekday hours.
- Work will involve excavation, measurements, photographs, drones, etc.



*Noise and vibration
monitoring*

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Environmental and Geotechnical Testing

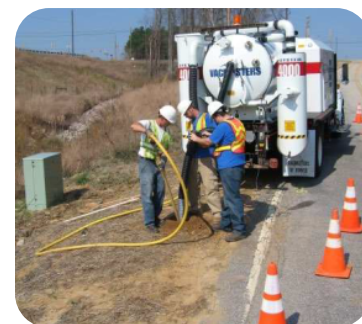
- Crews will be in various locations throughout the project site during the first and second quarters of 2025 performing environmental and geotechnical borings to provide the design and construction teams with a better understanding of subsurface conditions.
- These activities are expected to occur during daytime and weekday hours.
- Boring rigs, vacuum excavators and hand augers will be used to collect soil and in-river samples.
- Disturbed areas will be restored upon completion.



Geotechnical borings

Subsurface Utility Investigations

- Crews will identify subsurface utilities throughout the project site using ground penetrating radar, hand augers, and vacuum excavators.
- This activity is anticipated to begin in January 2025 and continue through the first and second quarters of 2025.
- Underwater utility identification is expected to take place on the west side (upstream) of the existing bridge.
- The information will be used to identify utilities that may conflict with upcoming bridge construction so that facilities can be relocated if needed in advance of construction.
- Activities will typically occur during daytime weekday hours.
- There will be roadway impacts at some locations. Crews will coordinate lane closures with the appropriate authorities prior to starting work.
- Disturbed areas will be restored upon completion.



*Identification of
subsurface utilities*

Ongoing Railroad Maintenance

- In addition to the project-specific activities, Amtrak will continue performing regular inspections and maintenance along the existing bridge and adjacent segments of the Northeast Corridor.

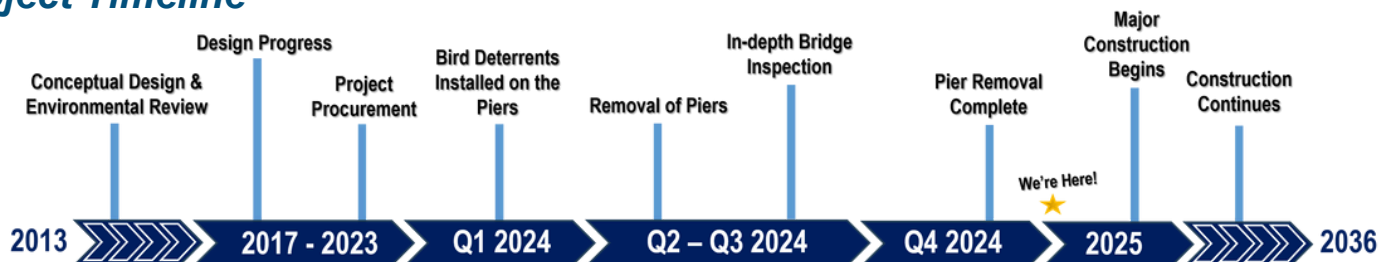


*Maintenance on the
Northeast Corridor
Credit: Amtrak*

Upcoming Public Meetings and Events

- Team will present at the National Railway Historical Society Perryville Chapter Meeting on 1/11/2025.
- Team will present at Perryville Town Hall on 1/21/2025.

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Approximate Locations of On-Going and Upcoming Activities



Legend

-  Geotechnical Testing/Underwater Utility Investigation (in water)
-  Geotechnical Testing (land)

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