

What is CONNECT NEC 2035 (C35)?

The Northeast Corridor Commission has brought together commuter railroads, Amtrak, state governments, and USDOT as never before to coordinate and sequence over 150 projects and capital renewal to:

- **Rebuild and improve the nation's oldest and busiest passenger railroad**, advancing state of good repair while making service better, faster, and more reliable than today
- **Establish a new way of doing business** by partnering across agencies to sequence construction according to efficient track outages, thus maximizing productivity and minimizing service disruptions for customers
- **Realize benefits** of a renewed NEC and thriving Northeast:
 - Improve mobility and connections
 - Create economic opportunity and new jobs
 - Combat climate change
 - Support desirable cities and communities

C35 By the Numbers

~30 minutes	Faster Amtrak Acela between DC-NYC and NYC-Boston
33%	Increase in Amtrak intercity service
2x	Increase in service for many commuter railroads
1.7 million	New jobs over 15 years across the U.S.
\$140 million	Saved annually through commuter & intercity travel time reduction
60 million	New annual commuter & intercity trips (vs. 2019)
310%	Increase in 160 mph high-speed track (32 route miles today & 132 in 2035)
100%	Replace or rehab major bridges & tunnels
\$117 billion	Total program cost
\$100 billion	Funding gap

Mid-Atlantic North Territory



Project Highlights

Harrisburg Line Interlocking Improvement Projects. Replace or reconfigure outdated interlockings that present a challenge to reliability, support existing and future ridership growth, and support flexible operations.

Harrisburg Line Catenary and Signal Projects. Replace the outdated signal system, rehabilitate infrastructure to provide enhancements to operations, and replace and upgrade the overhead catenary to improve system reliability.

New Interlocking/Turnback Track between Cornwells Heights & Eddington. Add track to permit trains to return to Philadelphia at Cornwells Heights, reducing SEPTA's operations in the delay-prone approach to Trenton and allowing growth in Trenton Line service.

Ragan Turnback Track. Add a turnout to Track 3 at Ragan Interlocking to allow for more reliable and frequent SEPTA service and decrease trip times.

Holly-Bell-Landlith Improvement Project. Improve Holly, Bell, and Landlith Interlockings to reduce delays and boost on-time performance.

Harrisburg Line Station Accessibility Program. Make all Harrisburg Line stations ADA accessible with high-level platforms (includes Villanova, Malvern, Devon & Wynnewood).

Morrisville Yard. Implement the infrastructure necessary to accommodate the storage of six 4-car SEPTA trains while also reducing congestion. Includes the construction of new tracks and the removal of all SEPTA storage at Trenton Transit Center.

Delivering for Mid-Atlantic North by 2035

\$18 billion
Infrastructure investment over 15 years

173,000
New jobs created over 15 years

\$10.5 billion
Earnings over 15 years

Extend service
More SEPTA Wilmington Line service to Wilmington or Newark, DE
SEPTA potential extension to Coatesville, PA

Introduce express service
Trenton to Philadelphia

Reduce rush hour travel times
Acela Philadelphia to NYC by 15 min
SEPTA southbound to Wilmington by 4-7 minutes

Improve ADA accessibility
All Harrisburg Line stations
Wilmington Station

26% more service
Increased daily revenue round trips

Complete Harrisburg Line projects
Interlocking, catenary, & signal improvements