What is CONNECT NEC 2037 (C37)?

The NEC Commission’s CONNECT NEC program is a pioneering planning process that integrates investments across four infrastructure owners and nine passenger rail operators. This latest update, C37, defines the plan in much greater detail; updates service goals based on new travel trends; provides additional analysis of workforce and other resource constraints; and refines future funding needs in light of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) grant awards. While BIL funds will go a long way toward rebuilding the NEC, funding beyond FY26 is needed to realize the full benefits of this plan.

Delivering for New York in 15 Years

Through C37 investment New York will see approximately:
- 119k Direct Jobs
- 41k Indirect Jobs
- 101k Induced Jobs

The Gateway: Hudson Tunnel Project will construct a new two-track rail tunnel beneath the Hudson River and rehabilitate and modernize the existing two-track North River Tunnel. When complete, this tunnel will improve reliability and operational flexibility for Amtrak and NJ TRANSIT routes traveling on the NEC.

More peak trains between NYC and New Jersey
- 6 Trains per hour
- 42 Trains per hour

New York City

Penn Station Access
$1,644,000,000

Gateway: Hudson Tunnel Project
$3,800,000,000

Penn Station Access
$1,644,000,000

Northeast Corridor
$ Federal-State Partnership
(FSP) Federal Funding Award*

*Visit the NEC Commission website and C37 Report for more information

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