

**Second Avenue Subway Phase 2**  
**New York, New York**  
**New Starts Project Development**  
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The New York Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) proposes to extend heavy rail subway service 1.5 miles along the East Side of Manhattan with the Second Avenue Subway Phase 2 project. The project is the second of four planned sections of the Second Avenue Subway, and will connect the northern end of Phase 1 (opening soon) at 96<sup>th</sup> Street to the Lexington Avenue Line at 125<sup>th</sup> Street. The project will include three new stations, power substations, signal and communications systems, and car cleaning facilities. The project's current estimated capital cost is \$6 billion. MTA expects to seek \$2 billion from the New Starts Program.

MTA believes that the project will improve transit access on the East Side of Manhattan, alleviate congestion, improve service reliability on the Lexington Avenue Line, attract new transit riders, and provide intermodal connections to Metro North Railroad, Select Bus Service to LaGuardia Airport, and several local bus routes.

The Locally Preferred Alternative for all four phases of the alignment was selected in 2001 and was adopted into the region's fiscally constrained long-range transportation plan in 2003. MTA completed the environmental review process with a Record of Decision in 2004. MTA expects to complete an environmental reevaluation in early 2018, have the project enter the Engineering phase of the CIG program in late 2018, receive a Full Funding Grant Agreement in 2020, and open for revenue service between 2027 and 2029.