

# Gateway Program Update

July 19, 2022



# Update Summary

*Gateway Program - Phase 1 MOU*

*Portal North Bridge Project*

*Hudson Tunnel Project*

*GDC Progress*

# Governor Hochul and Governor Murphy Sign Gateway Program's Phase One MOU for the Portal North Bridge & Hudson Tunnel Projects

- On July 5, 2022, Governors Murphy and Hochul signed the Phase One Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) required by the Gateway Development Commission Act along with Port Authority of New York and New Jersey (PANYNJ) Executive Director Rick Cotton.
  - MOU outlines sources, uses, and timing of funding for Portal North Bridge and Hudson Tunnel Project
- Next phase will detail the parties' responsibilities with respect to delivery of the Hudson Tunnel Project



# Portal North Bridge – Full Construction Beginning

*“Notice to Proceed” provided to construction contractor by NJ TRANSIT on April 7, 2022*

*Site preparations underway ahead of major construction work this summer*



## Regular Bridge Openings Have Resumed

*Bergen County Utilities Authority again shipping sludge via barge (had been truck)*

*Since March 2022, Portal Bridge has opened 60 times, an average of 4 times per week*

*Normal operation (without failure) can delay dozens of trains depending on time of day, other circumstances*

*Amtrak engineers supervise openings to ensure speedy resolution of issues; diverts resources from other needed work*

*Openings restricted to non-rush hour time periods per USCG regulation*



# Hudson Tunnel Project (HTP) – Status Update

## Recent Developments

- *On-going:* Preparing project management materials to advance in CIG program & engaging with USDOT on Bipartisan Infrastructure Law funding opportunities
- *March 2022:* \$100M funding recommendation in FY 2023 Capital Investment Grants (FTA CIG – 49 USC 5309) Budget
- *March 2022:* Tonnelle Avenue FY21 Federal-State Partnership for State of Good Repair Grant Application submitted by Amtrak & NJ TRANSIT
- *January 2022:* FTA issued HTP a “Medium-High” Project Financial Plan Rating
- *January 2022:* Completed geotechnical work necessary to enter FTA Engineering Phase – 75 Geotechnical investigations along Tunnel alignment
- *Fall 2021:* Obtained final permit from U.S. Army Corps of Engineers for work in Hudson River & NJ Meadowlands



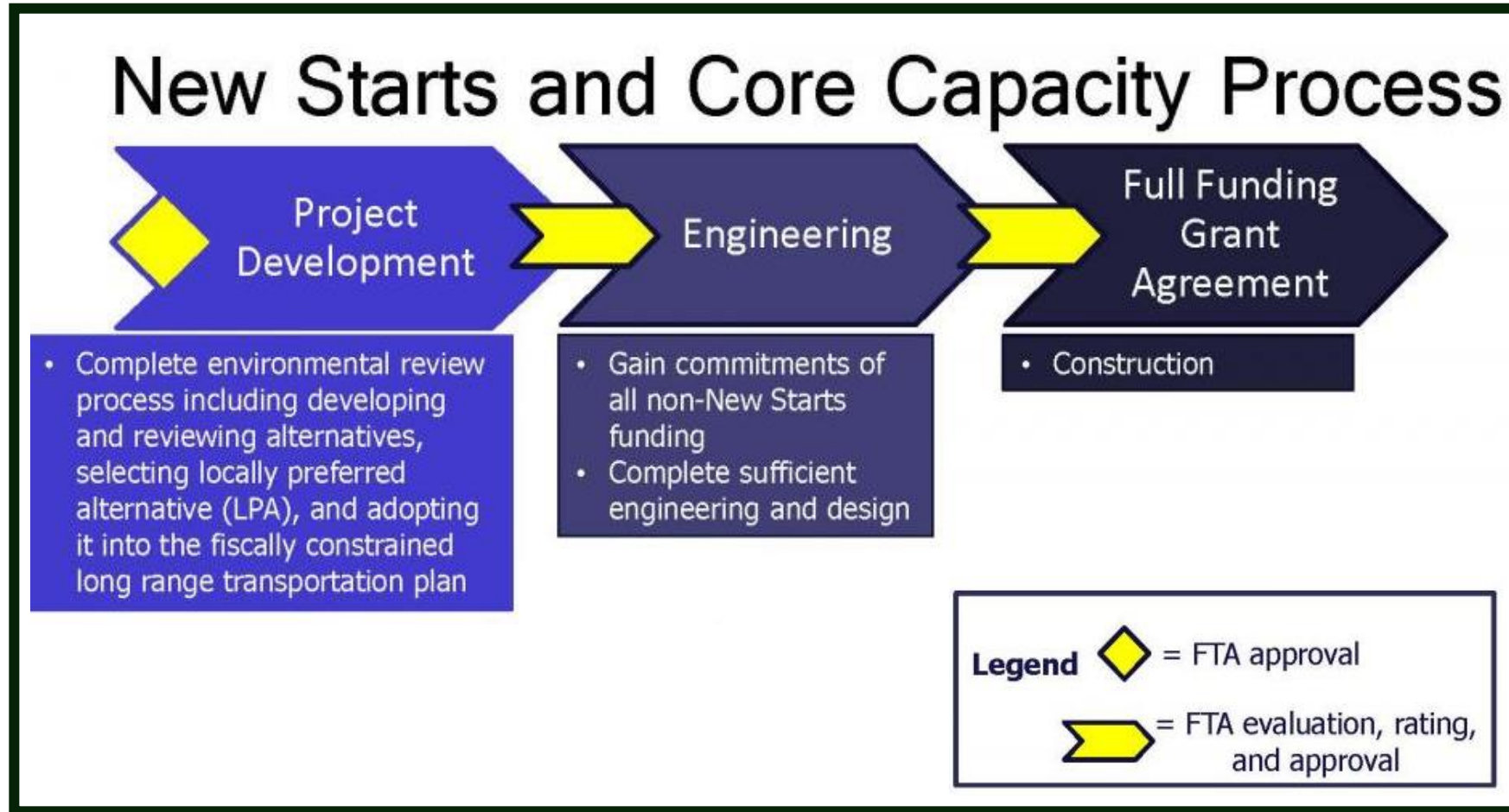
### Hudson Tunnel Project Clears Final Regulatory Hurdle with Army Corps of Engineers Permit

*Permit Allows Construction of First Rail Tunnel Under the Hudson since 1910 Once Full Funding in Place*

Newark – The last major step in the federal regulatory process for the Hudson Tunnel Project has been completed with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' permit issuance for construction within the New Jersey Meadowlands and Hudson River, the Gateway Development Commission announced.



# FTA Capital Investment Grants Program - New Starts Process

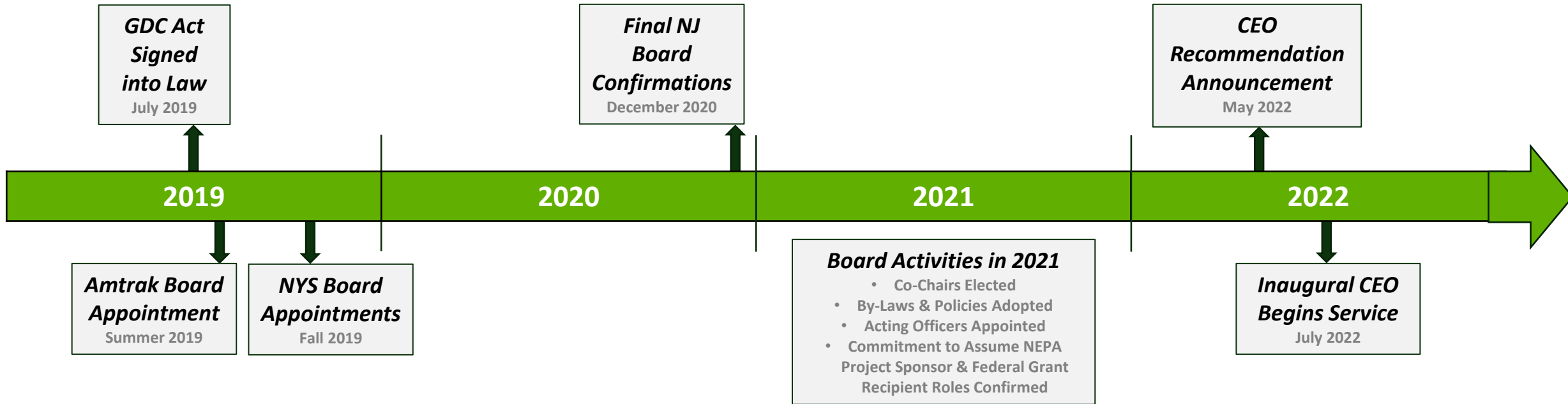


*Source: FTA CIG Website – “Project Development Process”*

*<https://www.transit.dot.gov/funding/grant-programs/capital-investments/project-development-process-map-21-cig-program-0>*

# Gateway Development Commission - Progress

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