

## State Environmental Quality Review Act Notice of Completion of Final EIS

**Title of Project:** Long Island Rail Road Expansion Project  
From Floral Park to Hicksville

**SEQRA Status:** Type I

**Lead Agency/Project Sponsor:** Long Island Rail Road

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**Date:** April 12, 2017

This Notice is issued pursuant to Article 8 (State Environmental Quality Review Act) of the Environmental Conservation Law and its implementing regulations (6 NYCRR Part 617). A Final Environmental Impact Statement (“FEIS”) has been prepared by the project sponsor and Lead Agency, Long Island Rail Road (LIRR), for the **Long Island Rail Road Expansion Project From Floral Park to Hicksville**. The LIRR has determined that the FEIS is complete.

The FEIS is available on the Project web-site: [www.AModernLI.com](http://www.AModernLI.com) and full copies of the FEIS will be made available for review at the Project Information Center in the LIRR Mineola Station adjacent to the south platform waiting room, and at public libraries and other public locations in and near the project area. The Project Information Center is open on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 11:00 AM to 7:00 PM and Thursdays and Fridays from 7:00 AM to 3:00 PM.

**Public Hearings:** Pursuant to 6 NYCRR 617.9(a)(4), Public Hearings on the Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the Project, dated November 2016 (“DEIS”) were held as follows:

- Tuesday, January 17, 2017 from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM at the “Yes We Can” Community Center, located at 141 Garden St, Westbury, NY 11590.
- Tuesday, January 17, 2017 from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM at the “Yes We Can” Community Center, located at 141 Garden St, Westbury, NY 11590.
- Wednesday, January 18, 2017 from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM at Hofstra University, in the David S. Mack Student Center, located at 200 Hofstra University, Hempstead, NY 11549.
- Wednesday, January 18, 2017 from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM at Hofstra University, in the David S. Mack Student Center, located at 200 Hofstra University, Hempstead, NY 11549.
- Thursday, January 19, 2017 from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM at The Inn at New Hyde Park, located at 214 Jericho Turnpike, New Hyde Park, NY 11040.

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At those times, LIRR received comments on the DEIS. Written comments were accepted via the project website, [www.AModernLI.com](http://www.AModernLI.com) and via postal mail to the contact person identified above if postmarked by 5:00 PM, February 15, 2017.

The Public Hearings on the DEIS also served as the hearings for any proposed New York State Department of Transportation commercial property acquisition pursuant to Article 2 of the NYS Eminent Domain Procedure Law.

### **Description of Project:**

The Proposed Project involves:

- Installation of additional track to complete a continuous third Long Island Rail Road (LIRR) Main Line track along the 9.8-mile corridor from Floral Park Station to Hicksville
- Elimination of seven existing grade crossings within the project limits to provide grade-separated crossings or, in two cases, full closures to vehicular traffic, with the nature of the modification to be based on New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) design criteria, consideration of construction impacts and duration, traffic impacts, and input from the community
- Construction of retaining walls along portions of the corridor
- Installation of sound attenuation walls along portions of the corridor
- Modifications to passenger rail stations and parking (e.g., modified and improved platforms, passenger shelters, Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) enhancements, and parking modifications including new parking facilities at the New Hyde Park, Mineola, Westbury, and Hicksville Stations)
- Construction of new pedestrian overpasses with elevators and ADA-compliant pedestrian underpasses
- Modifications to railroad infrastructure including overpasses, signal systems, substations, culverts, interlockings, crossovers, sidings, track bed, power systems, communications and signals
- Utility relocations, including electric, signal, communications, gas, water, sewer, and storm sewer systems.

**Location:** 9.8-mile LIRR corridor from Floral Park to Hicksville

### **Potential Environmental Impacts:**

Potential Environmental Impacts assessed in the FEIS include those relating to: Land Use, Community Character, and Public Policy; Socioeconomic Conditions; Environmental Justice; Visual and Aesthetic Resources; Historic and Archaeological Resources; Natural Resources; Contaminated Materials; Infrastructure and Utilities; Transportation; Air Quality; Noise and Vibration; Construction; Cumulative and Secondary Impacts; Safety and Security; Electromagnetic Fields; Climate Change; Irreversible and Irrecoverable Commitment of Resources; and Unavoidable Adverse Impacts

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