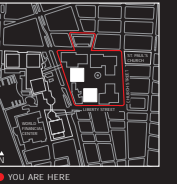


Restoring WTC Transportation



Restoring PATH and Subway Service to Lower Manhattan

The Port Authority of New York and New Jersey is working tirelessly to restore transportation services to the World Trade Center (WTC) site on PATH, the agency's rail transit subsidiary. The Port Authority, recognizing the vital importance of regional transportation, has made reestablishment of PATH service to Lower Manhattan its top priority project.

In order to restore PATH service to Lower Manhattan following the destruction of the WTC on September 11, 2001, the Exchange Place Station in Jersey City, New Jersey, must be upgraded, the tunnels connecting Exchange Place with New York must be restored, and a temporary terminal must be constructed at the WTC site. Here at the WTC site, the PATH tracks and platforms must be rebuilt and a series of stairs, escalators, and circulation areas must be constructed to connect the train platforms to the street level.

Upon completion of the emergency operations and debris removal by the NYC Department of Design and Construction, The Port Authority began work on rebuilding the PATH station on July 1, 2002, with anticipated completion scheduled for December, 2003.

The Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) realized early on the importance of restoring subway service to Lower Manhattan as quickly as possible. The MTA began to stabilize and rebuild some portions of the 1/9 line in January 2002, and completed designs for the entire effort by February. Contracts were awarded in March, specifying a September 30, 2002 completion.

Construction crews worked around the clock to rebuild damaged portions of the 1/9 line. All were reopened in September 2002 except the Cortlandt Street station, which was at the center of the WTC complex. Its reconstruction depends on the final plan for the site.

