DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

for

Cross Harbor Freight Program

Multiple Counties, New York and New Jersey

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This Tier 1 Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) broadly examines the potential transportation and environmental effects from a broad range of alternatives for the Cross Harbor Freight Movement Program. The primary purpose of the project is to improve the movement of goods in the greater New York/New jersey region by enhancing the transportation of freight across New York Harbor. The goal of the Tier 1 study is to select the alternative(s) for further study and potential implementation, with a focus on freight transportation mode(s), alignment, logical termini, and regional effects. The potential environmental effects are identified and evaluated to the extent feasible without detailed engineering design and operational plans. The DEIS also identified geographic and technical areas where further study would be needed to assess environmental effects and/or mitigate potential significant adverse impacts.

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