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Statement by Gateway Corporation Trustees on RPA Report

Jerry Zaro, Tony Coscia and Steven M. Cohen, the Trustees of the Gateway Program Development Corporation, which oversees delivery of the Gateway Program, issued the following statement on the RPA's report, "A Preventable Crisis: The Economic and Human Costs of a Hudson River Rail Tunnel Shutdown."

"This report brings the dire consequences of not building Gateway into harsh reality. Facts matter, and the facts made clear in this report are that this region and this nation will lose billions of dollars, property values will plummet, and congestion and climate damage will get even worse if we allow the status quo of relying on a century old one-track-in, one-track-out system to continue. We are grateful to the RPA and Build Gateway Now coalition for their ongoing work to move the most urgent infrastructure projects in the country forward."

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The Gateway Program is the most urgent infrastructure program in the country – a comprehensive rail investment program that will improve commuter and intercity services, add needed resiliency and create new capacity for the busiest section of the Northeast Corridor (NEC). The NEC is the most heavily used passenger rail line in the country hosting more than 2,200 train movements and 800,000 passenger trips daily. The Gateway Program Development Corporation (GDC) is a New Jersey not-for-profit entity with Board members representing Amtrak and the States of New York and New Jersey. It was incorporated in 2016 to oversee and effectuate the Gateway Program in coordination with federal and local partner agencies. Follow the GDC on Twitter [@GatewayProgNews](https://twitter.com/GatewayProgNews).