



# NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY and REQUEST FOR COMMENT

## Draft Environmental Impact Statement

### AirTrain LaGuardia Airport

LaGuardia Airport | East Elmhurst, New York

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) has announced the availability of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the proposed LaGuardia Airport (LGA) Access Improvement Project and its connected actions (the Proposed Action), also known as the AirTrain LGA project. The Draft EIS document was prepared in response to a proposal presented by the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey (Port Authority) to construct and operate a new automated people mover system (APM or AirTrain) to provide a time-certain transportation option for air passenger and employee access to LGA. The FAA is conducting the EIS in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA). The Draft EIS was prepared to disclose the potential environmental impacts resulting from the Proposed Action, including real property transactions under the New York State Eminent Domain Procedures Law.

### QUESTION & ANSWER WORKSHOPS AND PUBLIC HEARINGS

A 45-day public comment period on the Draft EIS starts on August 21, 2020 and ends on October 5, 2020. As part of the EIS public participation process, FAA will hold two public workshops where information will be presented and interested members of the public can participate in a moderated question and answer session on the Proposed Action and information contained in the Draft EIS with the FAA and the EIS Team. FAA will also hold three public hearings where interested members of the public can provide and listen to oral comments concerning the Proposed Action and information contained in Draft EIS.

DATE	TIME	REGISTRATION (MANDATORY)
Tuesday, September 22, 2020	<b>Workshops:</b> 4:30PM – 6:30PM <b>Public Hearing:</b> 7:00PM – 9:00PM	<a href="http://lgaaccessseis.com/virtual-event-schedule">lgaaccessseis.com/virtual-event-schedule</a>
Wednesday, September 23, 2020	<b>Workshops:</b> 11:00AM – 1:00PM <b>Public Hearing:</b> 2:00PM – 4:00PM	<a href="http://lgaaccessseis.com/virtual-event-schedule">lgaaccessseis.com/virtual-event-schedule</a>
Thursday, September 24, 2020	<b>Public Hearing:</b> 5:00PM – 7:00PM	<a href="http://lgaaccessseis.com/virtual-event-schedule">lgaaccessseis.com/virtual-event-schedule</a>

All speakers who register to give oral comments at the public hearings will be given up to 3 minutes to allow everyone the opportunity to provide oral comments, if they choose to do so. Written comments will also be accepted, as specified below.

Due to the ongoing public health emergency associated with COVID-19 and FAA's responsibility to protect the health and safety of the community, all workshops and hearings will be virtual. Registration and instructions for the public workshops and hearings will be available on the project website at [www.lgaaccessseis.com](http://www.lgaaccessseis.com). Translation services, including sign language interpretation, can be made available during the public workshops and hearings, if requested 10 calendar days before the sessions, via the online registration process.

### COMMENTS ON THE DRAFT EIS

Oral comments on the Draft EIS may be presented at the public hearings or by leaving a voicemail at (855) LGA-EIS9 or (855) 542-3479. Written comments on the Draft EIS may be submitted via the following methods:

- Online on the project website at [www.lgaaccessseis.com/formal-comment](http://www.lgaaccessseis.com/formal-comment)
- Email to [comments@lgaaccessseis.com](mailto:comments@lgaaccessseis.com)
- U.S Mail to Mr. Andrew Brooks, Environmental Program Manager, Eastern Regional Office, AEA-610, Federal Aviation Administration, 1 Aviation Plaza, Jamaica, NY 11434

**All comments must be received by no later than 5:00 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time, Monday, October 5, 2020.**

Comments on the Draft EIS will help FAA arrive at the best possible informed decision about the proposal. If you choose to include your name, address and telephone number, email, or other personal identifying information in your comment, be advised that your entire comment – including your personal identifying information – may be made publicly available at any time.

Source: Federal Aviation Administration