Hearin

The **Triborough Bridge and Tunnel Authority** ("TBTA") doing business as MTA Bridges and Tunnels, will hold public hearings pursuant to Vehicle and Traffic Law Sections 385-a and 1180-e on Weigh-in-Motion and Work Zone Speed Enforcement programs. The hearings will review the public uses, benefits, purposes, and location of these legislative initiatives and will give the public an opportunity to comment.

## **Description of the Projects**

TBTA is implementing modern technology recently authorized by New York State to protect the structural integrity of bridges and tunnels operated by TBTA. Specifically, TBTA will use Weigh-in-Motion (WIM) technology for a pilot on the Robert F. Kennedy Bridge (RFK) to impose monetary liability on the owners of overweight trucks. TBTA is also implementing work zone speed enforcement camera technology to improve safety for workers and vehicle passengers by deterring motorist speeding in work zones.

### Weigh-in-Motion Pilot on the RFK Bridge

New York State Vehicle and Traffic Law was amended to authorize the use of WIM technology on the RFK Bridge for a pilot project. To protect the RFK Bridge's structural integrity, WIM technology will enable TBTA to safely and efficiently enforce truck weight restrictions and impose fines on violators. The pilot project will deter overweight trucks that cause degradation to the RFK Bridge from traversing the bridge.

WIM technology utilizes roadway sensors to weigh passing vehicles on a bridge in conjunction with adjacent cameras to capture identifying information corresponding with overweight vehicles. The WIM system is required to undergo a daily self-test and a semi-annual calibration check.

Signage will be installed to notify motor vehicle operators that the WIM monitoring system is in use. Owners of overweight trucks that exceed the maximum gross vehicle weight by 10% or more and/or axle weight by 20% or more will be subject to a fine. If a truck is in violation of both gross vehicle weight and axle weight restrictions, the owner is liable for a separate penalty for each such violation.

### Work Zone Speed Enforcement Program

The Work Zone Speed Enforcement (WZSE) pilot program, which was signed into law in 2021, was expanded to include TBTA and extended to 2031. The WZSE program is designed to improve safety for workers and vehicular travelers by deterring motorists from speeding in work zones. Speed cameras will be placed at work zone construction and maintenance locations to identify and issue violations to owners of vehicles that exceed the posted speed limit by 10 miles per hour or more.

All of TBTA's bridges and tunnels are eligible to have speed cameras in place. The cameras and violations will be in effect only during the hours that crews are working in a work zone. Work zones with speed cameras will have clear signage leading up to the work zones.

# **Dates, Times and Place of the Public Hearings**

Monday, October 6, 2025, 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. and Tuesday, October 7, 2025, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

This public hearing will be held in a hybrid format with options to participate in-person as well as virtually via Zoom's online platform and conference call feature, with a livestream available on the MTA YouTube channel.

### Location of the Hearings (In-Person)

New York City Transit, 130 Livingston Street, 1st Floor, Brooklyn, NY 11201. The public may join the hearing via Zoom at https://mta.zoomgov.com/j/1603815727 or by phone at (646) 828-7666. A link will also be provided on the MTA website.

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By Subway: A G R to Jay Street – MetroTech, R to Court Street, 2 3 to Borough Hall, 4 5 to Borough Hall. A G train to Hoyt/Schermerhorn. By Bus: B25, B26, B38, B41, B45, B52, B57, B61, B62, B65, B67, B103

## Registering for the Public Hearings

Registration to speak can be made in advance by visiting https://www.mta.info/2025-wim-wzse-hearing which will remain open through the hearing date. Registration will close at the start of each hearing. The public may join the hearing via Zoom at https://mta.zoomgov.com/j/1603815727 or by phone at (646) 828-7666. A link will also be provided on the MTA website.

## For More Information, to Pre-Register to Speak or to Submit Comments

Those wishing to pre-register to be heard at the Public Hearing must register on the website at https://www.mta.in-fo/2025-wim-wzse-hearing. Verbal testimony will be limited to two (2) minutes. You may present verbal testimony or submit written statements in lieu of or to supplement oral testimony concerning the proposed projects.

Written comments will be accepted online at https://www.mta.info/2025-wim-wzse-hearing. Comments may also be submitted via postal mail to: MTA Government & Community Relations, Attn: Bridges and Tunnels WIM/WZSE Hearing, 2 Broadway, 16th Floor, D16.94 New York, NY 10004. All written and online comments must be received by 5:30 p.m. on Friday, October 10, 2025. Comments received after this date and time will not be included in the transcript. For questions about the hearing, contact: Rose Pascone, Assistant Director of Government and Community Relations, MTA Bridges and Tunnels, 2 Broadway, New York, N.Y.10004. Tel: 646-252-7634 or Rose.Pascone@mtahq.org.

## **Accessibility and Language Assistance Services**

At the public hearings, American Sign Language and CART Captioning will be available.



People who are blind or have low vision can request accommodation by September 30, 2025, either online or by telephone.

**People who are deaf or hard of hearing** may use their preferred relay service, or the free 711 relay service and then ask to be connected to the Public Hearing Hotline at (646) 252-6777 to speak with an agent.

# For Language Assistance or Other Accommodations

If language assistance or any other accommodation is required, please submit a request at least three (3) business days before the hearing date in one of the following ways:

- Online by submitting a request through the registration form at https://www.mta.info/2025-wim-wzse-hearing.
- By telephone by calling the public hearing hotline on 646-252-6777.
- By postal mail by sending a letter to: MTA Government & Community Relations, Attn: Bridges and Tunnels WIM/WZSE Hearing
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