

# Second Avenue Subway Phase 2

Project Update CB11/MAN  
SAS2 Task Force  
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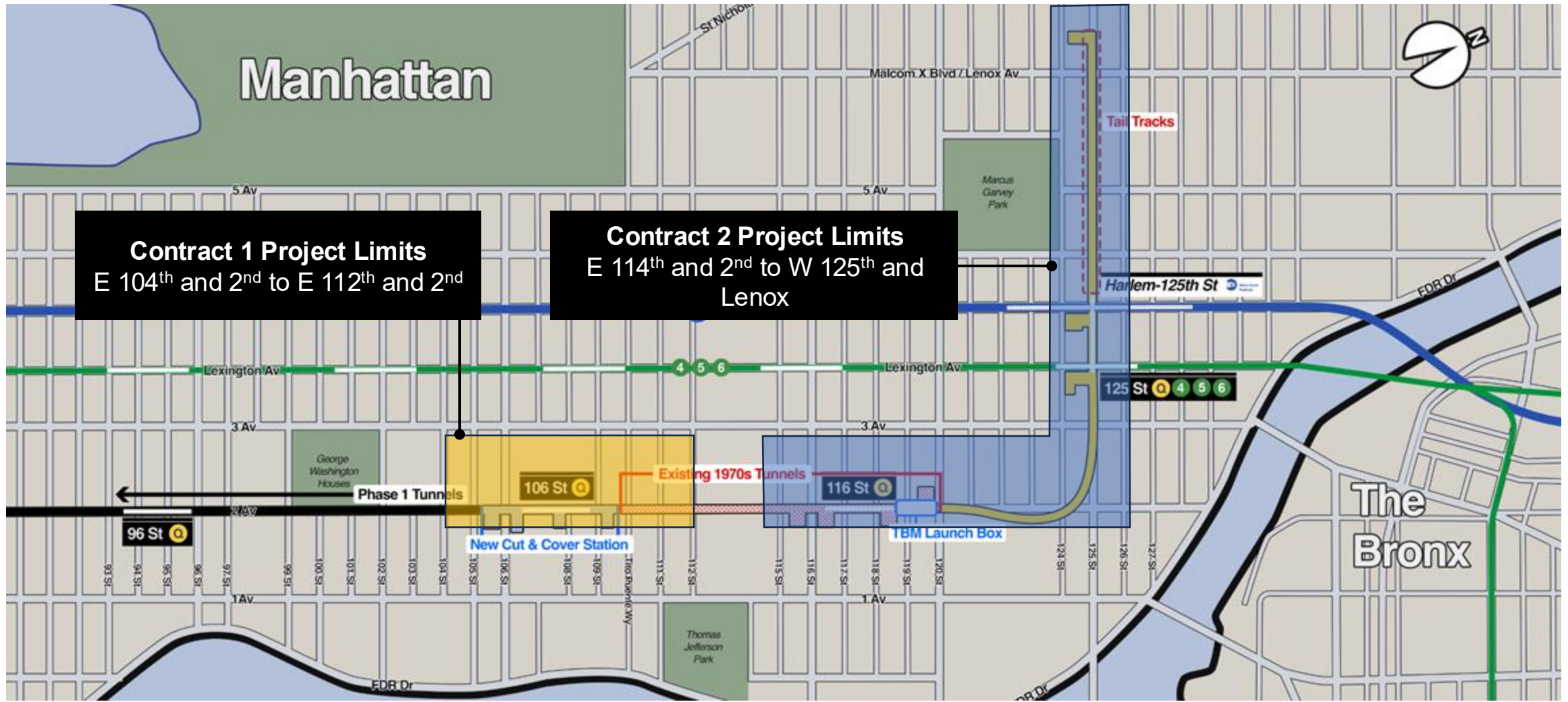


# Agenda

- Overview
- Status and Timeline of Contracts
  - Building Demolition and Traffic Lane Shift
  - Signage Update
- Community Engagement
- Questions



# Second Avenue Subway Project Overview



# Second Avenue Subway Project 2: Overview

As a lesson learned from Phase 1, the MTA has reduced the number of contracts in Phase 2 to 4.



# Questions and Concerns From Last Meeting

- Request for update on the 120<sup>th</sup> Street and 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue Demolition Schedule: **Scheduled for completion for the last week of May, detailed schedule to follow in the presentation**
- Current number of local hires on C2: **Currently 27% of hours billed to C2 have been billed by local targeted workers as of January with 11% of the contract spent**
- Awnings for Stores on 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue : **The project team has coordinated with store owners to discuss their preferences. Drafts of new signs have been created and are awaiting review from MTACD HQ. (Example later in the presentation)**
- Additional Signage for Relocated Bike Lane on 1<sup>st</sup> Ave: **Ongoing coordination with DOT and awaiting the approval for installation of new signage**



# Contract 1



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Gas Main Installation 109<sup>th</sup> Street



Utility Installation 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue



Sewer Pipe Installation 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue



Gas Main Installation 109<sup>th</sup> Street

# Contract 1: Schedule 2026

- Building work (underpinning + strengthening) Ongoing – Estimated Completion October 2026
  - Block 1659, west side of 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue between 109<sup>th</sup> and 110<sup>th</sup> – Ongoing – October
  - Block 1655, west side of 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue between 105<sup>th</sup> and 106<sup>th</sup> – Q2 Start
- Utility relocations on both the east and west sides of 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave (electrical and gas work) – Ongoing – Estimated Completion Q4 2026
- Sewer work on the west side of 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave and 105<sup>th</sup> Street – Ongoing – Late Q2
  - Followed by Trunk Water Main installation in the same area. – Estimate Start Late Q3 – Estimated Completion Q4
- Installation of water main crossing 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave at 110<sup>th</sup> Street – Ongoing – Estimated Completion Q2
- Oil-O-Static work at 109<sup>th</sup> Street and 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave intersection crossing 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave - CAC will maintain vehicle and pedestrian traffic. – Starting in the next few weeks – Estimated Completion Late Q3

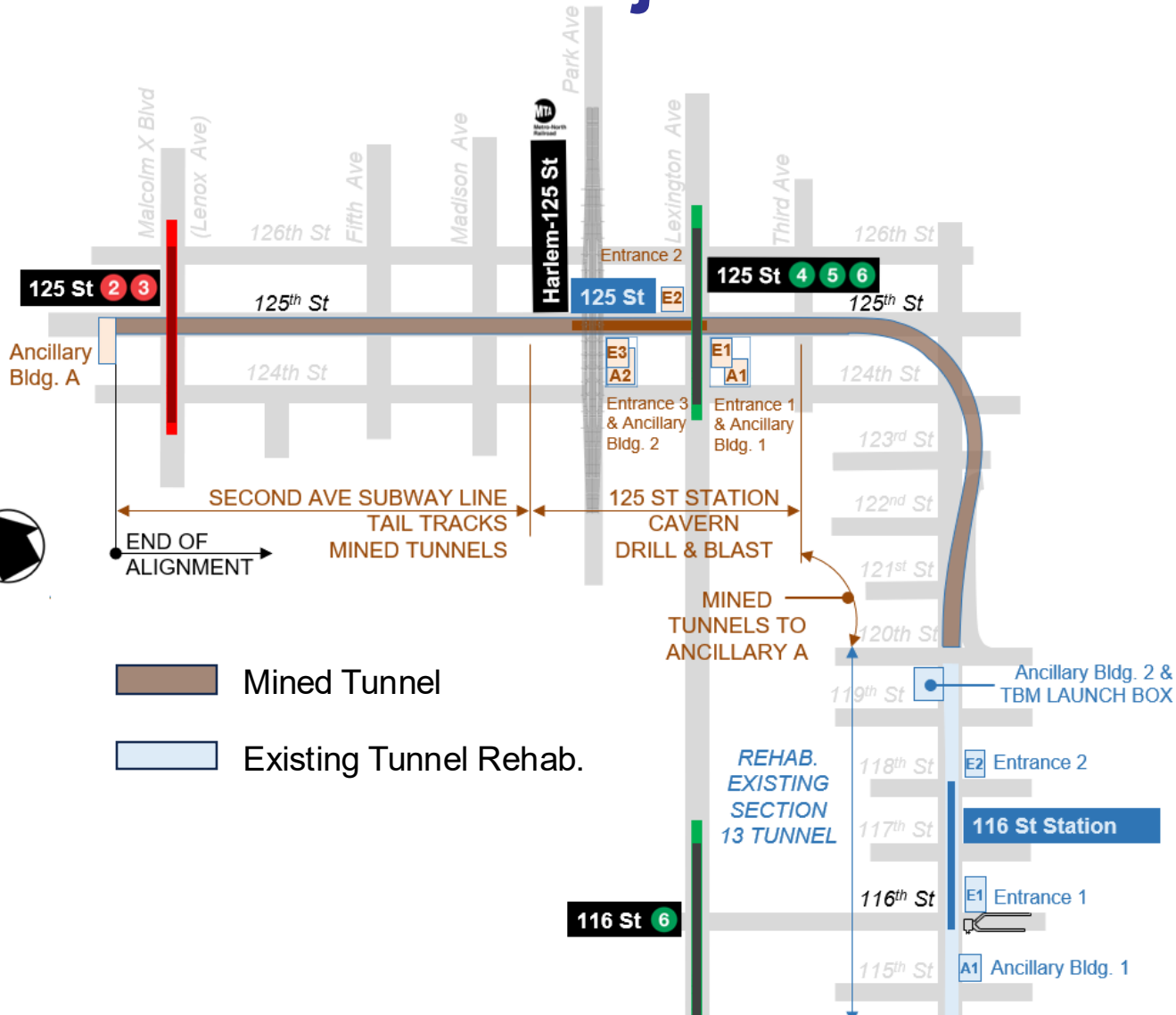


# Contract 2



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# Contract 2 – Project Limits & Scope of Work



1. Retrofit the existing 116<sup>th</sup> St. tunnel
2. Tunnel boring from 120<sup>th</sup> St. to 125<sup>th</sup> St. extending west toward Adam Clayton Powell Blvd.
3. Excavating space for the future 125<sup>th</sup> St. station
4. Construction of the structural shells for the 116<sup>th</sup> St. and 125<sup>th</sup> St.

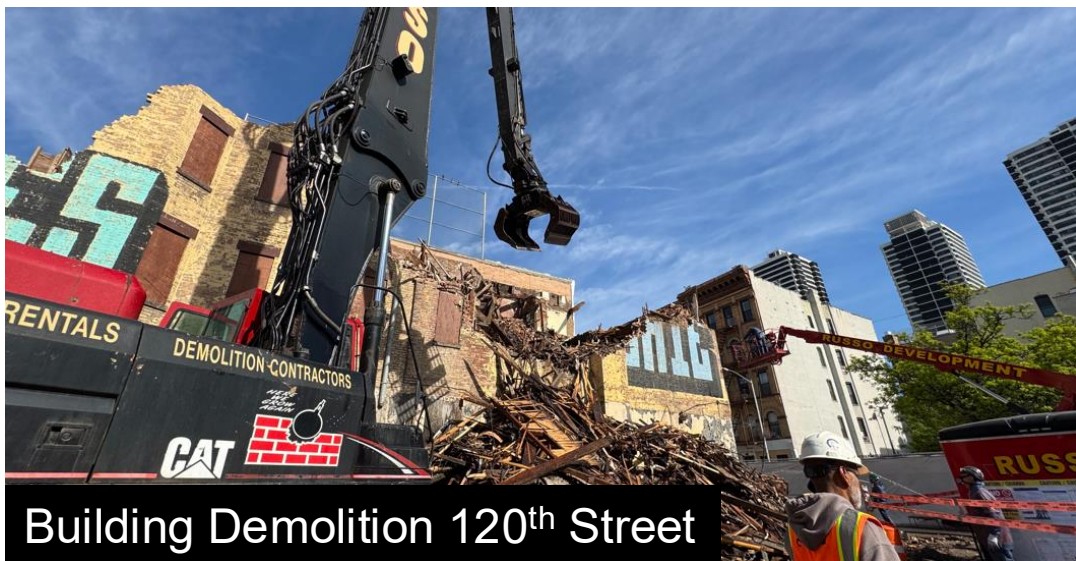
# Contract 2



Secant Wall 125<sup>th</sup> Street



Excavation 125<sup>th</sup> Street Lot



Building Demolition 120<sup>th</sup> Street



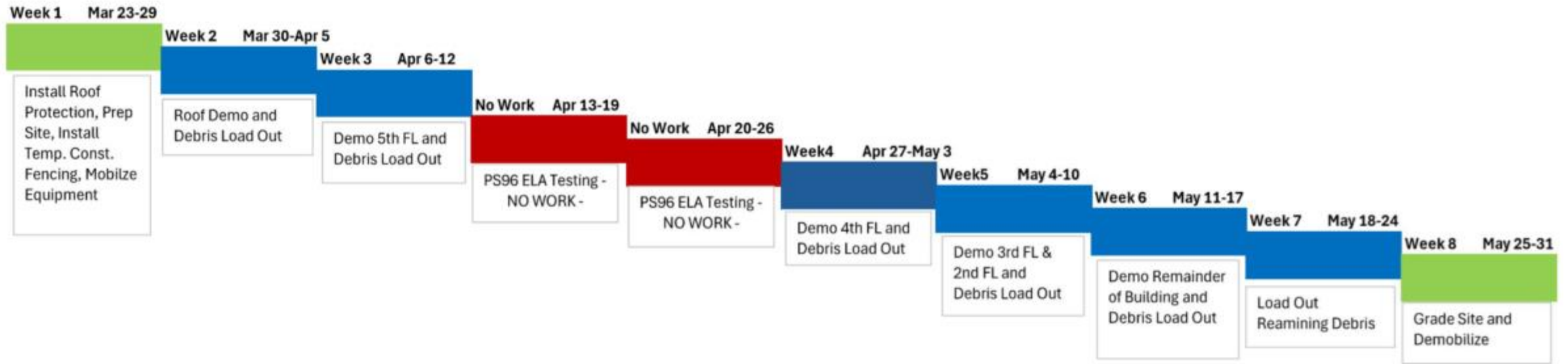
Fugitive Dust Control 120<sup>th</sup> Street

# Upcoming Work Timeline

- Lane Shift – **Done**
- Demolition at Lot 128 (246 East 120<sup>th</sup> Street) – **Approaching Completion (May 18)**
- Demolition at Lots 2325-2329 – **In Progress**
  - Abatement has been in progress
  - Will begin with building demo this week
- Controlled test blasting at Lex Yard – **May 12**



# Controlled Demolition Schedule: Lot 128



# Controlled Blasting

- Controlled Blasting at 125 St and Lex Ave in the contained construction yard.
- Starting May 12, 2026
- Monday through Saturday, 7:00 am to 7:00 pm

Signal	What to expect
5-minute warning (Blaster preparing to blast)	<b>One (1) long signal (10 seconds long)</b> 5 minutes prior to the blast signal
1-minute warning (Blaster ready)	<b>Two (2) short signals (5 seconds)</b> - Blast as soon as possible Blaster in charge may elect to temporarily close adjacent pedestrian and roadway traffic for a short period of time during the blasting.
All Clear	<b>Three (3) short signals (5 seconds)</b> Pedestrian and roadway traffic resumes.



# Controlled Blasting

- **Safety measures:**

- All delivery and handling of explosive materials will be done in collaboration with FDNY.
- The controlled blast program will proceed in accordance with FDNY and OSHA regulations.
- Vibration levels, integrity of adjacent structures, including the existing 125 Street Lexington Avenue station, and noise levels will be monitored continuously throughout the project.
- Vibration Compliance will be reviewed by FDNY Explosives Unit, the Blasting Consultant, and the MTA and adjusted as necessary.
- FDNY licensed personnel will conduct all blasting.
- Noise levels will remain within the approved NYC DEP limits.

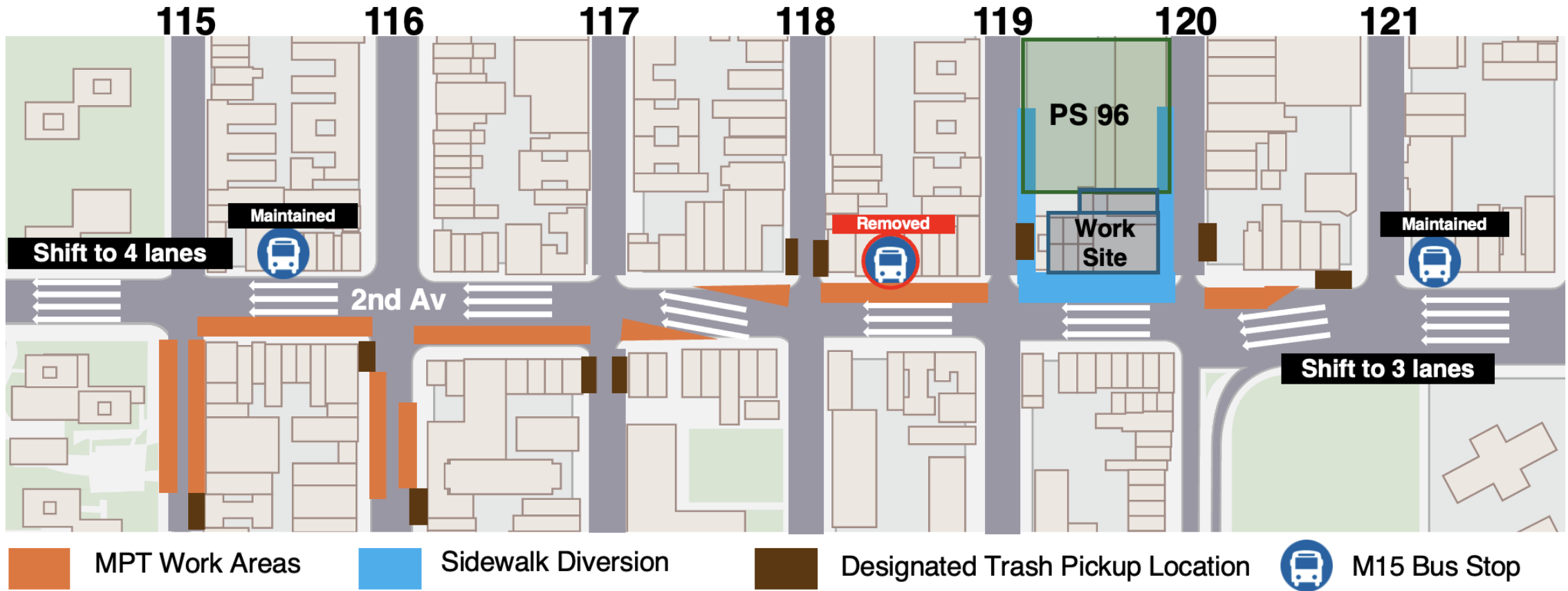


# Overnight Work & Lane Reduction

- Overnight test borings to identify underground utilities and subsurface conditions on both the street and sidewalk in at the intersection of **120th and 2nd Ave**
  - **April 27 – May 1**  
**11pm – 5am**
- One lane of 2nd Ave will be closed to accommodate this work. Two of the three lanes will remain open.
- The contractor will comply with NYC DEP noise limits.



# Contract 2 Lane Shift



# Signage Plans

- Continue coordination with MTA HQ to develop project signage and comprehensive plan/branding campaign
- Establish “Good News Messaging” signages with QR codes to project website and newsletter sign-ups
- Improve local business signage
  - Developing of business awning signs in collaboration with business owners
  - Ordering and installing fence wrap signage for businesses



## Store Awning Draft Example

21 35 2nd Ave. Store #2

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**SKY DRAGON**

**CHINESE RESTAURANT**



# Fence Wrapping Draft

## Current



## Planned



# Contract 3

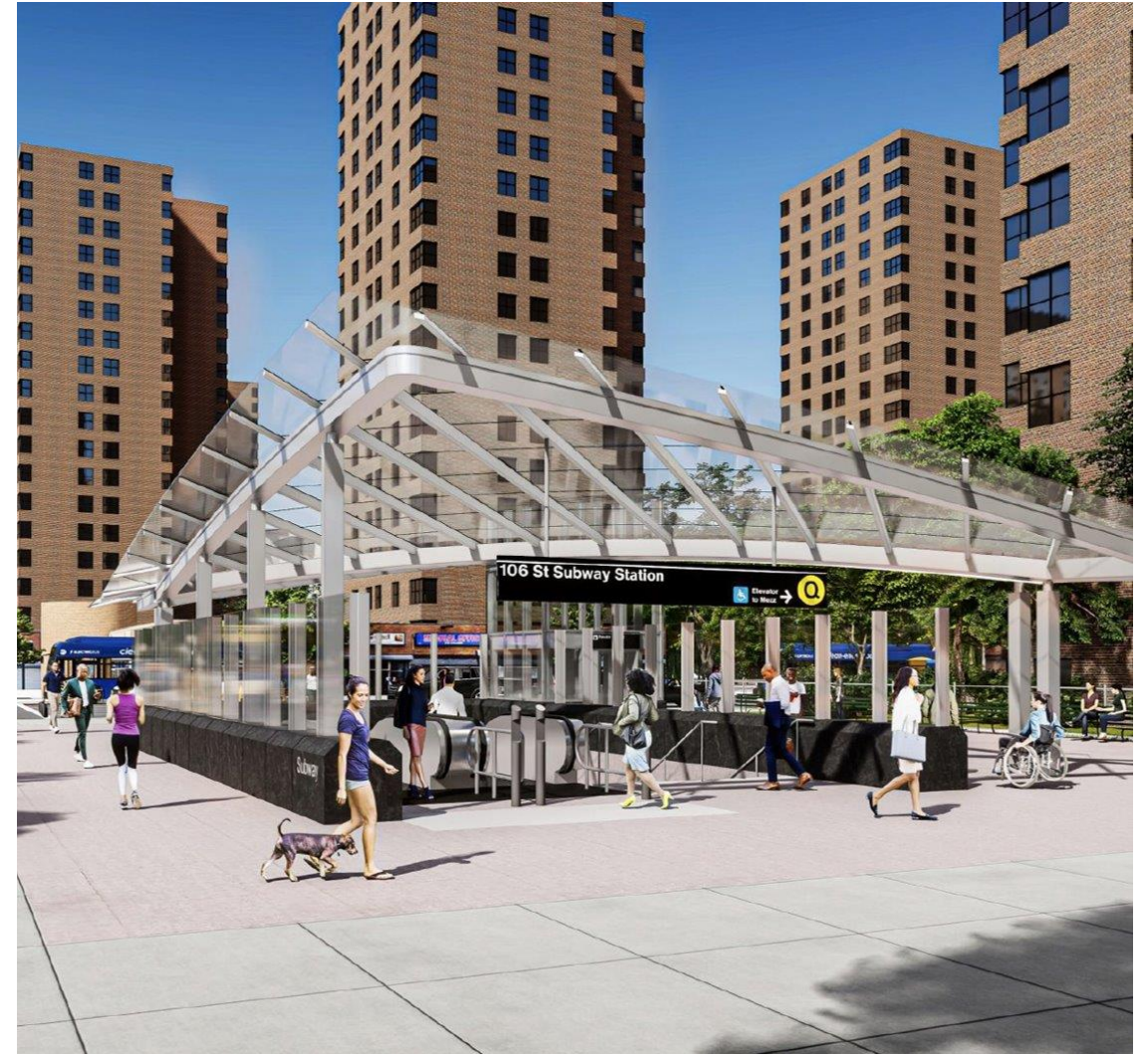


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# C3 Status and Highlights

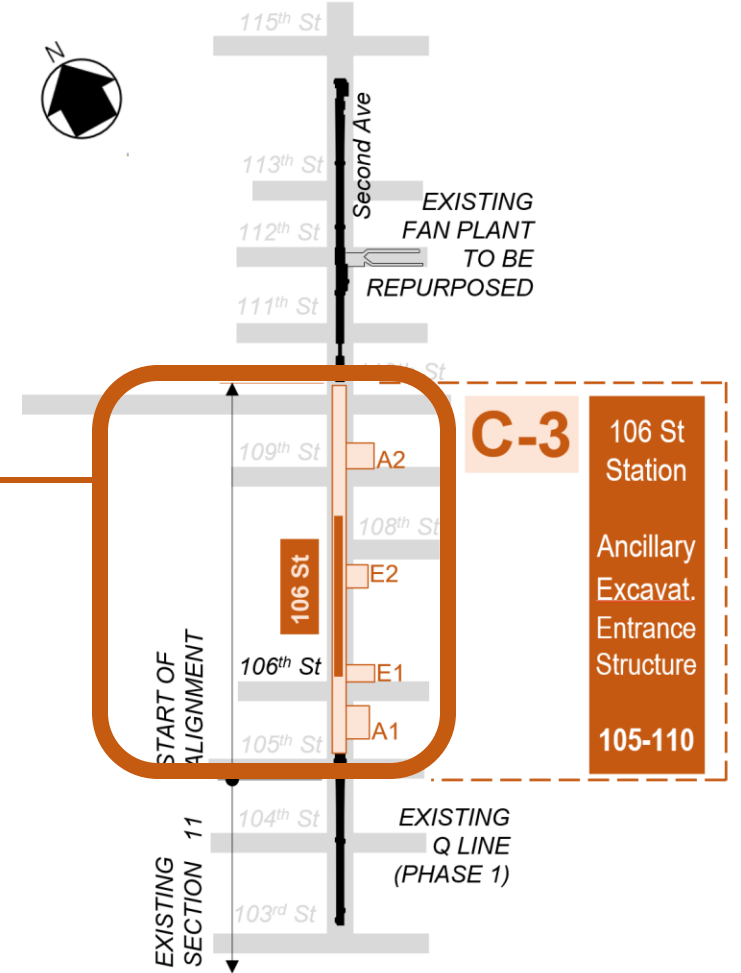
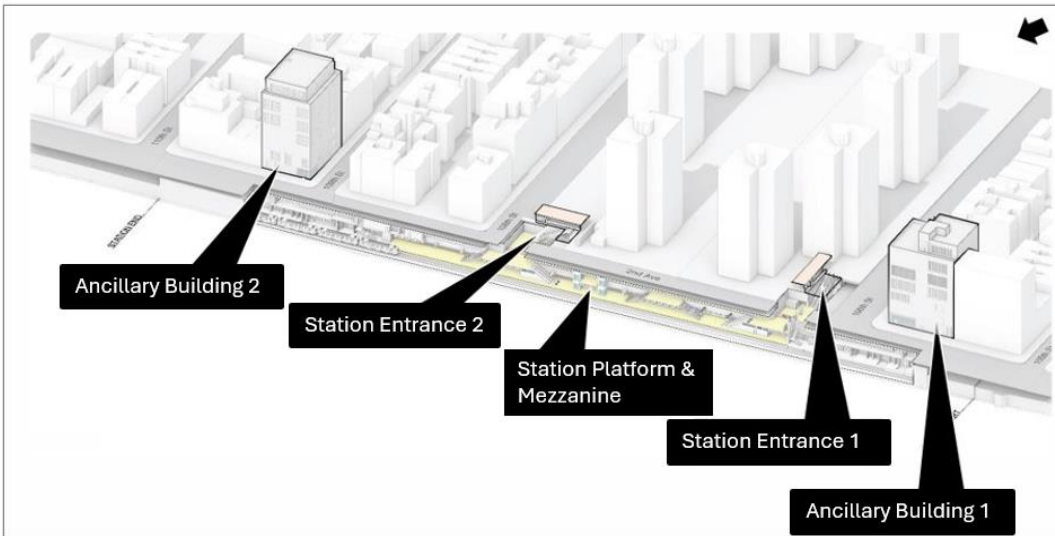
Since last meeting, the federal government restored funding for SAS2. This gave the green light to award Contract 3. Work is now officially underway.

- ✓ **On Schedule & On Budget**
- ✓ **All Properties Have Been Acquired**
- ✓ **Continuing Securing Access Agreements and started Relocations**
- ✓ **Project Management Team Has Already Mobilized**
- ✓ **Advancing Early Design Coordination With City Agencies**



# Contract 3: 106<sup>th</sup> Street Station

CM: AECOM-HNTB | Contractor: Skanska, Walsh, Traylor |  
Section 11 & 13 Rehabilitation, 106th Station, Ancillary  
Excavation & Entrance Structures



# Community Engagement



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# Job Fair at Luis Munoz Rivera 4.24.26

- Attended by approximately 950 people
- 18 vendors in attendance
- Similar events to follow in the future



# Keeping You Informed Throughout the Project

The Community Outreach Team will continue to meet and inform community members about project milestones and provide notifications on how the project will impact the community.

- Pop Up Events
- Public Posting of Construction Notices
- Monthly Newsletters
- Merchant Advisory
- Resident Advisory
- Weekly Look Ahead Eblasts
- Coordination with CB 11 SAS2 Taskforce
- Quarterly Construction Advisory Committee (CAC) Meetings
  - Residential
  - Retail/Education/Organizations



# Community Outreach Contacts

## MTA C&D

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## Project Management Team

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Yuki Zheng, PMC Outreach

## East Harlem Community Collaborators

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## **Second Avenue Subway Phase 2**

## **Community Information Center**

69 East 125<sup>th</sup> Street

212-722-3700

[outreach@mtacd.org](mailto:outreach@mtacd.org)

**24-hour Hotline**

212-693-9520

**Hours of Operation**

Monday – Friday 9AM- 5PM



Questions?



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