



"The Bottom Line is that a global economy requires a comprehensive global transportation grid. If New Jersey is not an efficient component of that transportation grid, the state cannot continue to be a competitive component of the global economy."

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THE RARITAN EXPRESS SHUTTLE & PORT RARITAN

A New Approach to Reducing Port & Highway Congestion using New Jersey's Liberty Corridor and the Raritan Logistics Center



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A New Operation With a Global Impact - The Raritan Express



The Raritan Central Railway is in the process of creating a new rail shuttle operating between port terminals in the Newark, Elizabeth, and Staten Island area to a new integrated logistics center within the Raritan Center Business Park in Edison, NJ. This "Raritan Express Shuttle" will feature the coordination of off-dock transportation with self-contained transloading and logistical services.

Elements of the new service will include a daily rail shuttle, warehousing, transloading, and distribution operations. Successful implementation of the new service will help reduce dockside congestion in participating terminals which will allow for better utilization of the existing infrastructure, improve highway safety, reduce maintenance costs by removing large numbers of overweight trucks from area roads on a daily basis, and better facilitate distribution to the larger marketplace from Philadelphia to New York City. Most importantly, all of the operations will occur in the type of highly safe and controlled environment needed in today's new global economy.

Reducing Congestion at New Jersey's Ports

Much like the highly successful Alameda Corridor in Southern California, the Raritan Express Shuttle, using New Jersey's Liberty Corridor, will quickly and safely move dockside international containers off-site to an existing intermodal and logistics center during non-peak times. This will benefit the entire Port Authority of New York/New Jersey region by eliminating expensive and time consuming over-the-road permitting procedures, increasing on-dock container throughput, and reducing highway and terminal congestion. The operation will also allow the Port Authority to remove on-dock warehousing space and convert that space into the larger container grounding areas needed when handling today's modern vessels.



Greater Options for Shippers

Shippers will also benefit from the Raritan Express Shuttle. The Raritan Center Business Park's extensive selection of on-site services will offer shippers multiple logistics options in one single location. These services include customized transloading/warehousing/distribution/



packaging, and the ability to transfer from container to railcar. Customers requiring additional services or space will be able to utilize the Heller Industrial Park, also located in Edison and served by the Raritan Central. Once a shipment of goods is ready for delivery, direct access to I-95 (New Jersey Turnpike), I-287, and Routes 1, 9, 514 and 440 will ensure rapid and

safe distribution to a wider marketplace. The entire operation also benefits from on-site police and fire facilities situated next to the terminal location. With these public services on site, no other intermodal facility can match the level of protection and quick response time that will exist at Raritan Center.



Target marketplace of the Raritan Express Shuttle

Increased Safety

Reduced Emissions

Reduced Congestion

Improved On-dock Throughput

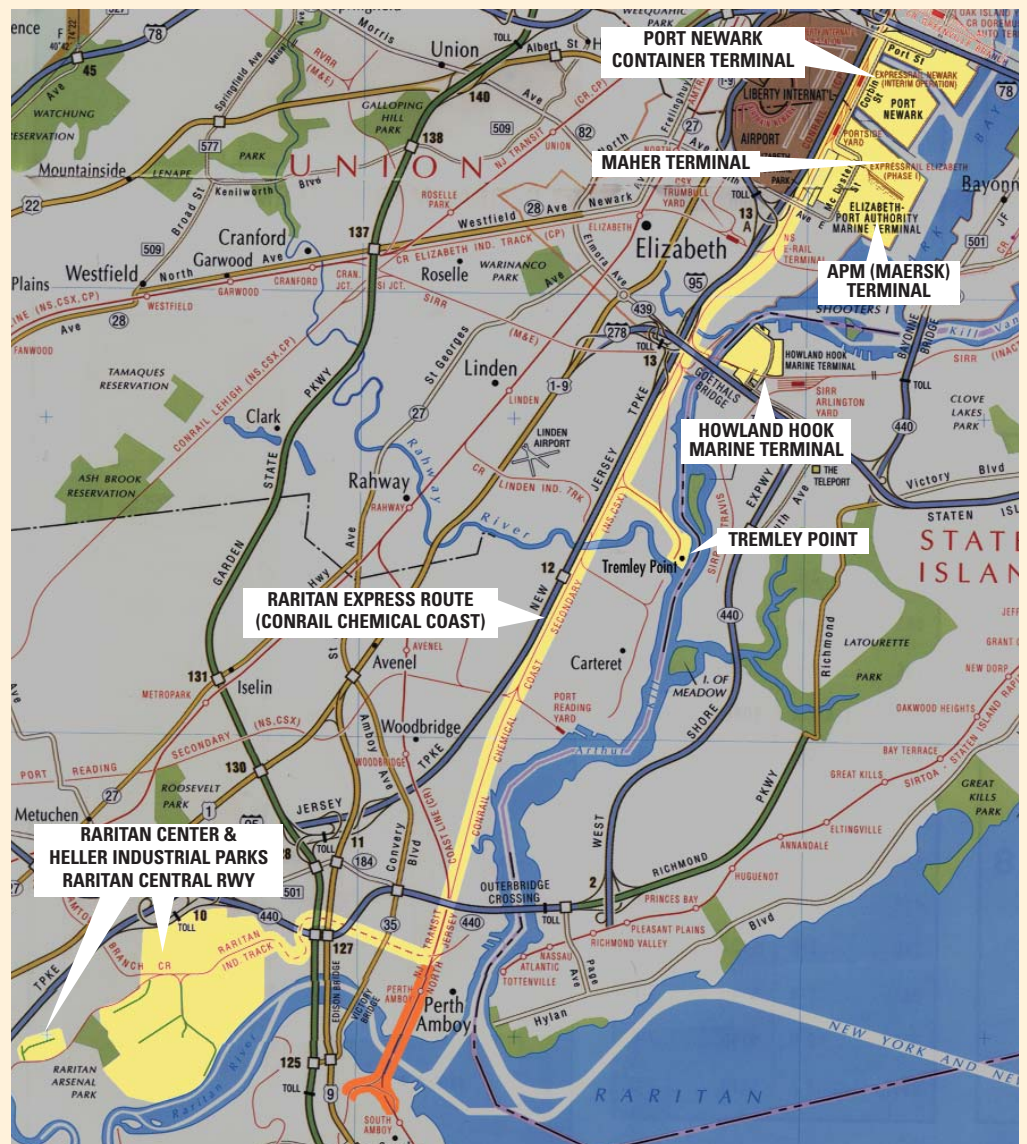
Benefitting the Environment

Every container or carload of freight that is brought to our self-contained operation via rail shuttle from the ports of Newark, Elizabeth and Staten Island will eliminate a diesel truck trip. It is expected that the development of the Raritan Express Shuttle will remove as many as 300 to 350 overweight containers from public roads on a daily basis. This represents a positive statewide environmental benefit by reducing diesel emissions and greenhouse gases and easing traffic congestion in the urban areas surrounding the ports. The reduction will result in improved air quality for the residents of New Jersey.

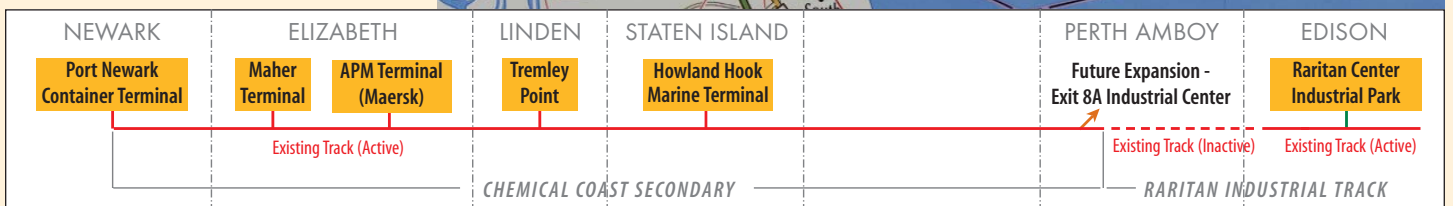


A New Use for an Old Route

Unlike other rail corridor projects which have involved extensive and time consuming land acquisitions and construction, the Raritan Express will utilize existing rail lines for its entire route. These lines include the Chemical Coast Secondary and the Raritan Industrial Track.



Route of the Raritan Express Shuttle from Port Newark to Edison, New Jersey.



New Jersey's Complete Logistical Solution - The Raritan Logistics Center & Port Raritan

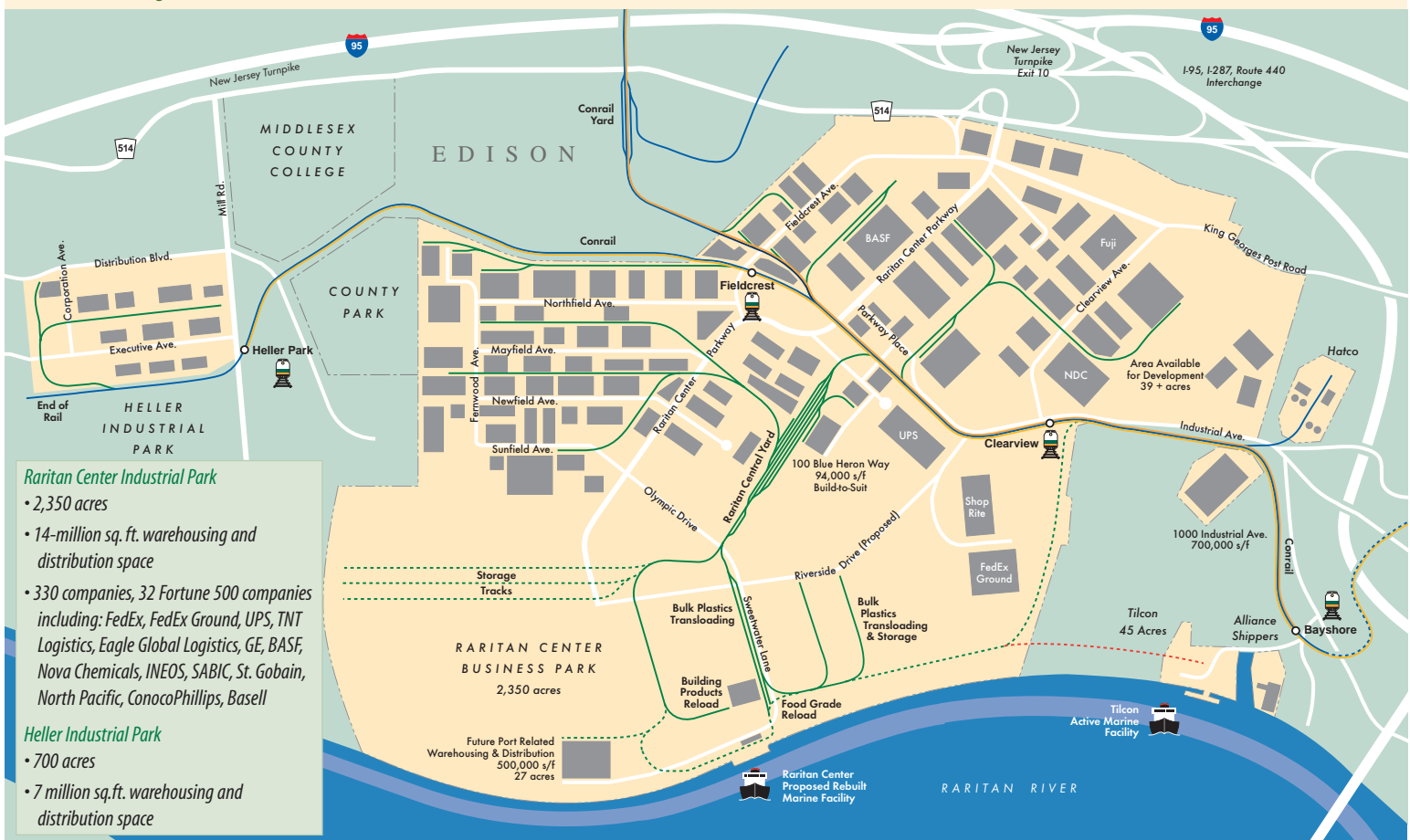
Future Growth & Economic Development

The Raritan Express Corridor is the key step toward the larger goal of completing our single-site, multi-modal complex - the Raritan Logistics Center. Included in this goal will be the construction of Raritan Central Railway's own port with on-dock rail, Port Raritan. Port Raritan will provide direct access to and from vessels and will allow containers to be reloaded dockside onto smaller vessels for short sea shipping to other ports such as Albany, Norfolk, or Baltimore. Also included in the multi-modal complex plans will be a domestic intermodal terminal, further expanding the reach of the NY/NJ port district to the interior United States. This will help in the overall economic growth of the area, and more specifically, provide the infrastructure for future growth within the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey.



Layout and features of Port Raritan

The Raritan Logistics Center



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