



SOUTH STATION
E X P A N S I O N

Project Overview

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Project Goals & Elements

What is the South Station Expansion Project?

- Planning/engineering to create a larger South Station of regional and national significance.
 - Platforms, tracks, waiting areas, streetscape
 - Station needs to expand for current/future demand.
- Create a daytime rail vehicle storage facility to meet current/future operational needs.
- Examine opportunities for joint development.
- Partner with the USPS to allow South Station to grow and USPS to thrive in Boston.



South Station - Future Needs

Why is MassDOT Pursuing the South Station Expansion Project?

- Growing demand for more regional and local rail transportation – a more sustainable alternative to roadway and air travel.
- More and better mobility options are a component of regional economic growth.
- Opportunities for urban improvements.
 - Re-open Dorchester Avenue
 - Harborwalk Extension



South Station - History

How Did We Get Here?

- Station opened to the public in 1899.
- Built with 28 tracks (now has 13).
 - At one time, twice as busy as Grand Central.
- Co-located with USPS facility in the 1930s.
- Survived demolition and was sold to the MBTA in 1978. Renovations then completed with federal participation.
- Demand now exceeds capacity.

What is MassDOT Doing?

- Civic engagement - ongoing and collaborative
- Transportation and rail operational analysis
- Environmental impact analysis and review
- Preliminary engineering/architecture
- Joint development evaluation and analysis
- Cost and schedule estimating
- Analysis of relocation of adjacent USPS facility
- **No construction in this phase.**



Close Collaboration

Who Are the South Station Expansion Partners?

MassDOT/MBTA

(Awarded \$32.5 million in federal funds)

Federal Railroad Administration

Federal Transit Administration

U.S. Postal Service

City of Boston

Amtrak

Massport

Boston Region MPO

What Could Be at South Station?





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