

## Foreword<sup>1</sup>

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This document is the Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) for the proposed Two Bridges LSRD project. The New York City Department of City Planning (DCP), acting on behalf of the City Planning Commission (CPC), published a Notice of Completion for the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) on June 22, 2018. A public hearing on the DEIS was held on Wednesday, October 17, 2018 at 10:00 AM in the City Planning Commission Hearing Room at 120 Broadway, Lower Level, New York, NY 10271. Public comments on the DEIS were accepted at that hearing and throughout the comment period, which remained open until 5:00 PM on Monday, October 29, 2018.

This FEIS addresses all substantive comments made on the DEIS since its publication, during the public hearing and in the subsequent comment period. Those comments are summarized and responded to in Chapter 27, “Response to Comments on the DEIS.” Changes to the text and graphics from the DEIS have been made in this FEIS, as necessary, in response to these comments.

In addition to Chapter 27, the principal changes between the DEIS and FEIS include the following:

- Chapter 2, “Land Use, Zoning, and Public Policy,” has been revised to update a number of the City’s public policies and to provide more information about the proposed projects’ consistency with the City’s public policies, including the Waterfront Revitalization Plan (WRP).
- Chapter 3, “Socioeconomic Conditions,” has been updated to reflect the U.S. Census Bureau’s 2006–2010 Census American Community Survey (ACS) data, 2012–2016 ACS data, and data accessed through DCP’s NYC Population FactFinder in October 2018.
- Chapter 4, “Community Facilities and Services,” has been updated to reflect the New York City Administration for Children’s Services (ACS)’s latest data provided by DCP in July 2018.
- Chapter 5, “Open Space,” has been updated, including open space ratios, to account for reconstructed and new open spaces that have recently been completed or are anticipated to be completed in the open space study area by the 2021 analysis year. Chapter 7, “Historic and Cultural Resources,” has been updated with all new photographs, many of which include the ongoing construction of the One Manhattan Square building.
- Chapter 8, “Urban Design and Visual Resources,” has been updated with new photographs, many of which include the ongoing construction of the One Manhattan Square building, as stated above.
- Chapter 14, “Transportation,” has been updated to reflect changes in background conditions consistent with updates made to No Build projects (i.e., changes in program for certain No

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<sup>1</sup> This Foreword is new to the FEIS.

Build projects and the addition of one new No Build project) that are within the transportation study area.

- Chapter 15, “Air Quality,” has been revised to correct for an exhaust stack height on the proposed Site 6A building.
- Chapter 16, “Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Climate Change,” has been updated to reflect the proposed projects’ consistency with revisions made to the WRP analysis in Chapter 2, “Land Use, Zoning, and Public Policy.”
- Chapter 19, “Construction,” has been revised to reflect results of detailed construction-period traffic and pedestrian analyses undertaken after publication of the DEIS and to provide additional information concerning measures to address the effects of construction activities on the surrounding community.
- Chapter 20, “Alternatives,” has been revised to include an additional alternative, the Reduced Height Alternative.
- Chapter 21, “Mitigation,” has been revised to incorporate mitigation measures developed after publication of the DEIS, including, but not limited to, the dedication of additional publicly accessible open space.
- Chapter 24, “Unavoidable Adverse Impacts,” has been revised to reflect the revisions made to Chapter 21, “Mitigation.”
- Appendix C has been updated to reflect recently completed and newly identified No Build projects located within the proposed projects’ study areas, including, but not limited to, residential, retail, and community facility developments.
- Appendix J has been created to include the comments received during the public comment period for the DEIS.

Substantive text changes or additions to the FEIS are indicated by double-underlining. Text that has been removed for the FEIS has been identified by ~~strikethroughs~~. However, neither underlining nor strikethroughs are used for chapters presented for the first time in this FEIS, such as this Foreword and Chapter 27, “Response to Comments on the DEIS.” For the sake of clarity, underlining and strikethroughs are also not used in tables with extensive changes; such tables are identified using footnotes. \*