American Recovery and Reinvestment Act 2009

Project Description:
New Haven Line Station Improvements

This project will utilize stimulus money to undertake major and minor capital improvements at Metro-North Railroad Stations.

### Why it matters

- Having well maintained user friendly stations help attract new riders and make the station more welcoming to its ridership; which, in turn, can increase ridership.
- This project will address needed improvements identified in the 2006 visual inspection report.
- The focus will be on high visibility but lower cost repairs like painting of canopies and station buildings and adding station amenities like benches and kiosks.

### Solid Investment

- Initial improvements can begin quickly and make use of general laborers.
- This Project will encourage local station operators to make similar investments.
- This Project will help improve the experience for train commuters.
- American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 funds allow the Project to proceed.

### Notable Project Facts

- This Project is shovel ready.
- This Project demonstrates to Connecticut citizens that despite difficult economic times, the State is willing to promote commuters to use mass transit.
- This is the beginning of a regular capital planning and investment program for rail facilities designed to return all commuter rail stations to a state of good repair.