



STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
 GOVERNOR PHIL MURPHY



# Statement from Governor Murphy on Today's Announcement by the U.S. Department of Transportation on New York's Congestion Pricing Plan

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"Today's decision by the U.S. Department of Transportation to allow New York's congestion pricing plan to move forward is unfair and ill-advised. The Administration's decision to move forward without a true environmental impact study undercuts some of the Administration's own long-term goals, including the Justice40 initiative.

"Since day one, I've stood against the disproportionate negative impacts of congestion pricing on New Jerseyans – a greater financial burden on New Jersey commuters, double tolling, toll shopping, a lack of revenue for NJ TRANSIT, outsized environmental burdens on certain North Jersey communities, and financial impacts on the Port Authority's capital budget. Everyone in the region deserves access to more reliable mass transit, but placing an unjustified financial burden on the backs of hardworking New Jersey commuters is wrong. Simply put, it is a money grab.

"As a conceptual matter, I support congestion pricing, but it must be structured in a way that is fair to all sides. Until New York's congestion pricing plan is fixed, I will keep working closely with partners from both states and both sides of the aisle, including Congressman Gottheimer and our congressional delegation, to halt implementation of this misguided tolling plan. Our Administration is closely assessing all legal options."

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