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PCAC Statement: No Fare Hikes or Service Cuts Is Good News for Riders Lisa Daglian, Executive Director, PCAC November 15, 2021

"Riders got great news from Governor Hochul and chair Janno Lieber today, that we won't see fare hikes or service cuts for the foreseeable future. That extends the fare freeze past the 2022 decision the board already correctly made, and keeping service at the highest level possible is critical to getting riders back on-board subways, buses, LIRR and Metro North."

"The federal infrastructure bill brings a host of benefits to our region. Riders and the economy in general will see the results of the billions of dollars coming our way thanks to Senator Schumer and his colleagues who voted yes in the Senate and House. This afternoon's bill signing at the White House should mean that there is enough breathing room so we can focus on getting back on track, and back on board, as we continue to recover from the pandemic."

"We still need to keep looking for more dedicated operating funds, so we aren't put in such a difficult situation going forward. We will continue to work with the MTA and our state elected officials for much needed sustainable funding options in the long run. We are hoping for the additional funds our region – and riders – need to build back better and keep the transit system running as much as possible, and affordable for all."