

MEDIUM Intensity LRT Example: Existing Rail

New Jersey Transit River Line

TRANSIT FACTS:

- Location:** Camden – Trenton, NJ
- Length:** 34 miles – 20 stations
- Time to Construct:** 5 years
- Construction Cost:** \$1.1 billion total*
\$32.4 million per mile*
- Opened:** 2004
- Annual Operating Costs:** \$18 million
- Ridership:** 9,000 per day
- Fare:** One-way pass \$1.50
All-day pass: N/A

*Construction Cost does not include Engineering or R.O.W.

The River LINE is a 34-mile light rail corridor that connects the cities of Camden and Trenton, and passes through many suburban communities in between. It operates mostly along a lightly used freight railroad line that was upgraded for passenger service and is the first LRT system in the US to utilize self-propelled diesel-electric vehicles.



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SUCCESS STORY

The politically driven project was highly controversial due to the low ridership projections, but the service has exceeded the predicted ridership every year since opening.



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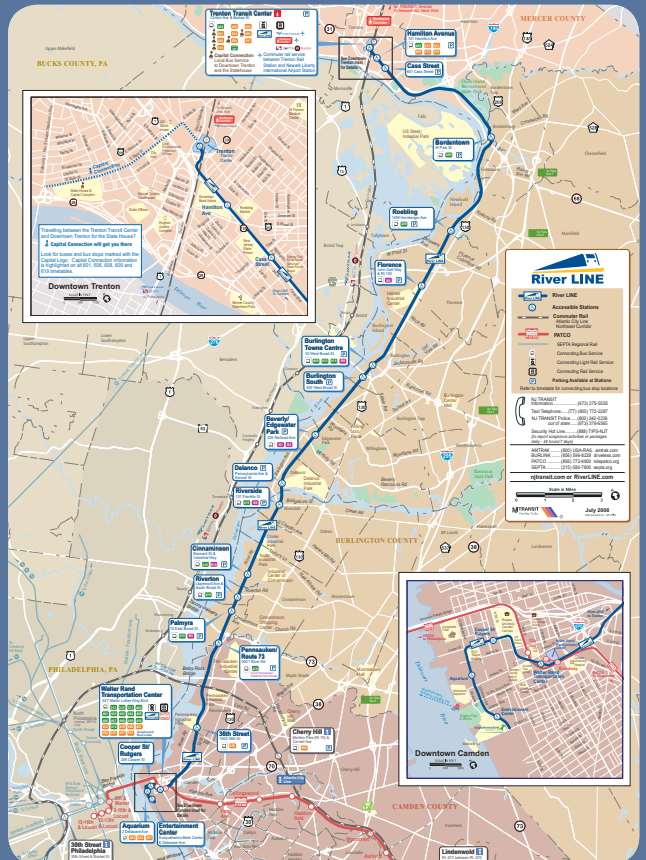


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