

KEEP NYC CONGESTION TAX FREE

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The latest biased "report" by congestion tax proponents shows once again a total ignorance of the data and record and just rehashes the same old unsupported assertions they become known for. Their say anything and everything bad despite the record raises credibility concerns. The public knows how the city plan fails every test of efficiency, equity and delivers nothing but a costly system and almost no, if any resources for mass transit.

[Alternative Approaches](#) allows a non-intrusive, low-cost (almost no cost) to build and operate plan to impact congestion in excess of the required targets and raise needed revenues for mass transit. Coalition partners outlined additional revenue plans which offer additional funding.

Interestingly the authors of the report display an ignorance of the use of the payroll and sales taxes to support mass transit. In addition, they ascribe proposals to the Alternative Approaches report which while supported by many coalition partners was NOT included in the report. Such glaring errors demonstrates how their worthless document makes best sense as test fodder for paper shredders. Environmental Defense and the Pratt Center take a hike.

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ABOUT [KEEP NYC CONGESTION TAX FREE](#)

[Keep NYC Congestion Tax Free](#) represents a diverse coalition of civic, business and labor organizations and businesses throughout New York City. We share a simple vision: to keep our city congestion tax free. Our members oppose the \$8 fee (\$21 for trucks) the Mayor proposes to impose on drivers entering Manhattan below 86th Street. Our members urge New Yorkers to deliver a simple message to our legislators: "Say no to the fee the Mayor wants to charge us to enter Manhattan." Many supporters and coalition members propose alternatives to the congestion tax that better address traffic issues in our entire city and provide new sources to support mass transit. For more information, visit keepnycfree.com