

RESOURCE EVALUATION

Date: March 21, 2011 Staff: Kathy Howe
Property: New York Improvement & Tunnel Extension of the Pennsylvania MCD: 06101 and 08101
County: New York and Queens
Address: from NJ to Manhattan to LIC USN: 06101.018103
Queens

Project Ref. No.: 11PR01891

- I** Property is individually listed on SR/NR :
Name of listing:
- II** Property is a contributing component of a SR/NR district:
Name of District:
- Property meets eligibility criteria
 Property contributes to a district which appears to meet eligibility criteria.
- Pre SRB: Post SRB: SRB Date

Criteria for inclusion in the National Register.

- A** **Associated** with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history;
- B** **Associated** with the lives of persons significant in our past;
- C** Embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period or method of construction; or represents the work of a master; or possess high artistic values; or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose component may lack individual distinction;
- D** **Have** yielded, or may be likely to yield information important in prehistory or history.

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

Based on the extensive historic context and integrity analysis provided, it is the opinion of the NY SHPO that the subterranean and subaqueous railroad tracks and tunnels of the New York Improvement and Tunnel Extension of the Pennsylvania Railroad meet Criterion A for transportation history and Criterion C for engineering design. Built between 1903 and 1910, this linear transportation corridor was the largest and most advanced metropolitan railroad project undertaken in the United States at that point in history. Extending from Weekhawken, New Jersey, beneath the Hudson River, beneath Manhattan, and under the East River to Long Island City, Queens, the system's engineering represents various construction techniques and designs that met the various needs of the project and the geological conditions.

If you have any questions concerning this Determination of Eligibility, please call Kathy Howe