

THE FACTS ABOUT THE TOWNLINE RAIL TERMINAL

CarlsonCorp, Inc. is a family-owned business that employs more than 75 area residents and has proudly called Kings Park home since the 1880s. We currently have an application before the Surface Transportation Board (STB), a federal agency, to construct a 5,000-foot rail line into our Kings Park recycling property. The proposed project is called the Townline Rail Terminal.

While the STB will be conducting public information sessions in the community this spring to solicit public comment on the project, we have heard misinformation and a number of misconceptions in the community. We thought you would want to learn the facts:

- The proposed Townline Rail Terminal only involves one train in and one train out per day (up to 27 cars maximum). That's it. There will be no trains arriving or departing on weekends.
- The proposed rail line and sidetracks are for rail car storage and maneuverability NOT the anticipation of additional arrivals or departures.
- The rail cars themselves will not have engines so they will not idle or make continual noise when sitting in the yard. The rail cars will be moved by a small vehicle the size of a minibus.
- The work site will be below the grade of the surrounding property to minimize disruption. We are also proposing natural berms and buffers.
- The Townline Rail Terminal will load and unload materials into the rail cars during our regular hours, Monday through Saturday. This will not be a 24-hour operation.
- Loading and unloading of incinerated ash will occur in a state-ofthe-art transfer station which will reduce dust, noise, and odors. The rail cars hauling ash will have secure steel lids.
- The material being loaded and removed from the proposed Townline Rail Terminal is NOT classified as a hazardous material. These materials are highly regulated and tested continually by New York State. Any materials containing asbestos, by law, may NOT be disposed of at the facility.
- At present, there are six active or proposed train transport facilities on Long Island, all of which will provide local solutions to managing ash and debris. Townline Rail Terminal is a solution for the Towns of Smithtown and Huntington.
- The proposed project is expected to save taxpayers HALF of what the cost will be to truck materials off Long Island in the future and result in a REDUCTION in the amount of materials turned into compost on-site.



Proposed Townline Rail Terminal

The best option for the future

The Townline Rail Terminal is an environmentally preferred alternative to trucking materials off Long Island. It will result in reduced emissions and traffic congestion. The Town of Smithtown recognizes that rail is a better option to trucking once the Brookhaven Landfill closes in 2024. We are very early in the planning process and look forward to meeting with the community in the coming months.

The Townline Rail Terminal will save taxpayers money, create jobs, and benefit the environment. To learn more and find out how you can get involved, visit CarlsonCorp.com.