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Secretary of Transportation John A. Volpe today announced a \$200,000 grant to the Boston Redevelopment Authority (BRA) to fund a study of a system of moving sidewalks in downtown Boston.

BRA will use the Federal grant, which will be matched by \$100,000 of local funds, for architectural and engineering studies of an elevated moving sidewalk in the South Station and Summer Street urban renewal areas. These areas include Boston's greatest concentration of retail activity and will soon be served by a major new transportation terminal on the site of South Station.

The elevated sidewalk system would move people to and from public and private transportation terminals and retail establishments. Currently, people are forced to crowd onto narrow sidewalks and are forced to walk on streets in heavy traffic.

After the study is completed, BRA hopes to proceed to detailed planning, construction and operation of the system.

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