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### MTA LIRR Substitutes Bus Service for Trains on Montauk Branch for Rail Inspection on March 30

The MTA Long Island Rail Road will provide bus service in place of two mid-day trains on the Montauk Branch east of Babylon on Friday, March 30 as track inspections are made on one of the tracks between Babylon and Patchogue.

The Sperry Rail Car, a bright yellow vehicle fitted with ultrasonic and induction test equipment, is designed to detect internal rail defects not readily visible to the eye. Defects that are found will be corrected immediately by a crew of LIRR track maintenance workers. The Sperry Rail Car is used twice a year to inspect approximately 500 miles of LIRR track.

On Friday, March 30, both the 10:26 AM eastbound train from Babylon (arrive Patchogue at 10:57 AM) and the 9:34 AM westbound train from Patchogue to Babylon (arrive at 10:05 AM) will be canceled.

#### Eastbound

Customers will transfer from their train at Babylon for a bus to complete their trips from Bay Shore through Patchogue. Customers should anticipate increased travel time of up to 11 minutes.

#### Westbound

Customers will board buses at their stations Patchogue through Bay Shore and transfer to a train at Babylon to complete their trip. Customers should anticipate increased travel time of up to 16 minutes.

For additional travel information, customers can contact the LIRR's 24-hour Travel Information Center in Suffolk County at 631-231-LIRR, in Nassau County at 516-822-LIRR or in New York City at 718-217-LIRR. The Travel Information Center's TDD telephone number for the hearing impaired is 718-558-3022. Customers can also consult the LIRR's website at [www.mta.info](http://www.mta.info).