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MTA LIRR Ocean Avenue, East Rockaway Grade Crossing Rehab Work to Affect Highway Traffic for Several Weeks Including Complete Road Closing for Six Days; Train Schedule Revisions Included in New Long Beach Branch Timetable

The MTA Long Island Rail Road's rehabilitation of the Ocean Avenue grade crossing in East Rockaway, on the Long Beach Branch, will result in the complete closing of the road with detours, for six days this month along with traffic delays during the week of September 24. The work includes the installation of new track panels at the crossing as well as repaving the highway approaches to the crossing. When completed, motorists will experience a smoother ride as they travel over this area.

The days when the road will be closed and traffic detoured are as follows:

Tuesday, September 11, from 8 AM to 4 PM
Wednesday, September 12, from 8 AM to 4 PM
Thursday, September 13, from 8 AM to 8 PM
Tuesday, September 18, from 8 AM to 4 PM
Wednesday, September 19, from 8 AM to 4 PM
Thursday, September 20, from 8 AM to 8 PM

Detours

Southbound traffic will be detoured left on Pearl Street, right on Rockaway Avenue, right on Atlantic Avenue and right on Ocean Avenue.
Northbound traffic will be detoured left on Rockaway avenue, left on Pearl Street and right on Ocean Avenue.

During the week of September 24, the approaches to the Ocean Avenue grade crossing will be repaved (weather permitting) between 9 AM and 6 PM. During this time, a minimum of one lane will be maintained for both directions of traffic, so expect delays. During the work, MTA Police and LIRR personnel will be on duty to assist traffic movement.

Train schedule changes due to this work affect midday weekday trains and are included in the new Long Beach Branch timetables dated September 10-November 11, 2007.

Customers should pick up a copy of the new timetables at their stations or at all terminals. For additional information, customers may 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 may also consult the LIRR's website at www.mta.info.