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Second Ave. Subway Groundbreaking Live on NY1

Historic Event to be Shown on Big Screen at MTA HQ

Tomorrow morning's historic groundbreaking ceremony for the Second Avenue Subway can be seen by all New Yorkers live on NY1, beginning at 10:30 a.m. The groundbreaking ceremony will take place in one of the subway tunnels built under Second Ave. in the 1970s but never used. Due to the limited capacity of the tunnel, the MTA arranged for the live broadcast with NY1 and will open its board room at 347 Madison Avenue for members of the public to join MTA staff for a public viewing and celebration.

The ceremony will include a video presentation, remarks from federal, state and local officials and then the moment everyone has been waiting for as the assembled dignitaries ceremonially chip away at the tunnel wall, beginning the subway's southern journey.

"The groundbreaking for Second Avenue Subway is a historic moment in the life of New York City, and we're thrilled that everyone will be able to see it live," said MTA Executive Director and CEO Elliot G. Sander. "I hope that many people will join us at MTA headquarters for this special day."

Beginning on Friday, the ceremony will also be available on NY1 On Demand, channel 1110.