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MTA LIRR Substitutes Bus Service for Trains on Montauk Branch for Rail Inspection Between Patchogue and Speonk, March 28

The MTA Long Island Rail Road will provide bus service in place of mid-day trains on the Montauk Branch east of Babylon on Wednesday, March 28. Three eastbound and three westbound trains will be affected.

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.

Eastbound

Customers on the 8:52 AM eastbound train from Babylon (arrive Montauk 10:53 AM), the 11:26 AM eastbound from Babylon (arrive Speonk 12:26 PM) and the 12:07 PM eastbound train from Babylon (arrive Montauk 2:20 PM) will transfer to buses at Patchogue to complete their trips. Customers should anticipate additional travel time of up to 36 minutes.

Westbound

Customers on the 11:23 AM westbound train from Montauk, the 2:10 PM westbound train from Speonk and the 2:51 PM westbound train from Montauk will board buses at their stations and transfer to trains at Patchogue to complete their trips. Customers should anticipate additional travel time of up to 52 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.