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TRACK WORK AFFECTS MTA LIRR PORT WASHINGTON BRANCH SERVICE ON THREE WEEKENDS: JULY 19-20, AUGUST 2-3 & AUGUST 16-17

BUSES REPLACE TRAINS BETWEEN GREAT NECK AND PORT WASHINGTON

Track and drainage work being performed between Great Neck and Port Washington on the MTA Long Island Rail Road's Port Washington Branch will mean no train service between Great Neck and Port Washington for three weekends, July 19-20, August 2-3 and August 16-17. Buses will be substituted for trains between 12:49 AM on the affected Saturdays and 11:40 PM on the affected Sundays.

Eastbound

Customers traveling to Manhasset, Plandome and Port Washington Stations will board buses or vans at Great Neck to complete their trips. Customers should anticipate increased travel time of up to 25 minutes.

Westbound

Customers traveling from Port Washington, Plandome and Manhasset Stations will board buses or vans at their stations and transfer to trains at Great Neck to complete their trips. Customers should anticipate increased travel time of up to 30 minutes. The 11:40 PM, 1:40 AM and 3:40 AM buses and vans on Saturday and Sunday and the 12:40 AM bus on Sunday will depart 25 minutes earlier than the regularly scheduled train time.

Billy Joel Concert, Friday, July 18

Most Port Washington Branch trains (both eastbound and westbound) will stop at Shea Stadium before, during and after the concert (8 PM scheduled start). A number of Main Line trains will also stop at the Woodside Station for connections to Port Washington Branch trains. In addition, trains will stop at Shea Stadium as needed following the concert. For further information see www.mta.info/lirr.

Customers should pick up a copy of the special Port Washington Branch track work timetable at their stations or at all terminals. For additional information, customers may contact the LIRR's 24-hour Travel Information Center in Nassau County at 516-822-LIRR, in New York City at 718-217-LIRR or in Suffolk County at 631-231-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.