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### Buses Replace Trains on MTA LIRR Oyster Bay Branch for Part of This Weekend, November 8 & 9

#### *SWITCH AND GRADE CROSSING REPLACEMENT WORK TO BE COMPLETED*

Train service on the MTA Long Island Rail Road's Oyster Bay Branch will be replaced by buses and vans for approximately 30 hours this weekend, November 8 and November 9. From 12:01 AM, Saturday, November 8 through 6:00 AM, Sunday, November 9, a track switch in the Mineola area and the Larrabee Avenue grade crossing in Oyster Bay will be replaced. The service impacts are as follows:

#### Eastbound

Customers will board Huntington-bound trains at Jamaica up to 27 minutes later than usual then transfer to buses or vans at Mineola to complete their trips. Customers should anticipate up to 23 minutes additional travel time from Mineola. Buses and vans to Oyster Bay will depart from the south side platform near the Mineola Intermodal Center.

#### Westbound

Customers will board buses or vans from their stations (Oyster Bay through East Williston) then transfer to westbound trains at Mineola to complete their trips. Westbound buses will depart between 22 and 48 minutes later than usual train departure times.

Customers should obtain a copy of the special November 8-9 Oyster Bay Branch timetable at their station or at all terminals. Customers can also contact the LIRR's 24-hour Travel Information Center in Nassau County at 516-822-LIRR, in Suffolk County at 631-231-LIRR or in New York City at 718-718-217-LIRR. The Travel Information Center's TDD telephone number for the hearing impaired is 718-558-3022. Customers can also consult the LIRR website at [www.mta.info](http://www.mta.info).