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MTA New York City Transit Will Inspect 1 Line Station at 168th Street

Shuttle Buses Continue to Replace Trains

Following the partial collapse of the architectural ceiling façade at the 181st Street station Sunday night, New York City Transit, along with a private contractor, has been working around the clock to remove debris, repair damaged sections of track and complete the installation of a protective shield throughout the caverned half.

However, because the 168th Street station has a similar ceiling design, it is prudent that we take advantage of the ongoing service disruption to thoroughly inspect that ceiling's façade as well. As a result, this inspection will be performed between 12:01 a.m., Sunday, August 23rd and 5 a.m. on Monday, August 24th. Because trains can reverse direction only at locations where there are track switches, this inspection will necessitate the lengthening of the bus shuttle south to 137th Street.

1 train service will continue to operate in two sections at least until 5 a.m. Monday when it will be determined whether or not service along the line can be resumed.

- 1 train service will operate in both directions between South Ferry and 137th St
- FREE Shuttle buses will operate between 137th St. and Dyckman St.
- 1 train service will operate in both directions between Van Cortlandt Park – 242nd St. and Dyckman St., skipping 207th Street in the southbound direction. Customers at 207th Street should use the A for downtown service instead.
- The M3 bus, which operates along St. Nicholas Avenue, will be FARE FREE for northbound customers at 168th Street; in both directions at 181st Street; and southbound at 191st Street.

If it is possible to restore service, customers should be advised that trains will bypass 181st Street until work on the ceiling is completed.

This suspension in service will continue to have an impact on wheelchair customers who rely on the 1 train. Those customers are advised to do the following:

- Customers who use wheelchairs seeking Manhattan bound service at 231st Street should call 1-800-834-1173 and make arrangements for a shuttle bus to take them to 207th Street, where they can transfer to the A for downtown service
- Customers who use wheelchairs heading northbound on the 1 should transfer at 72nd Street to the M5 bus to 168th Street. At 168th Street they can transfer to a free shuttle bus that will take them to stops heading northbound. Another option for these customers would be to take the A train to 168th Street where they can transfer to a FREE shuttle bus that will make all 1 station stops heading northbound

Additional Transit personnel will be on hand at both the 137th Street and Dyckman Street stations on the 1 line to assist customers with travel information. Customers in Upper Manhattan who can use the A Line at stations between 207th Street and 137th Street are advised to do so to avoid overcrowding on the 1 Line. In addition, 1 line customers should add additional time to their commute during this outage. We apologize for the inconvenience.