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Media Advisory: April 4 & 18 Track Work Affects West Hempstead Branch

LIRR SATURDAY TRAIN SERVICE REPLACED BY BUSES ON WEST HEMPSTEAD BRANCH DUE TO VALLEY STREAM TRACK WORK APRIL 4 & 18

This Saturday, April 4 and again on Saturday, April 18, buses will replace trains on the LIRR's West Hempstead Branch due to track work related to switch modernization in Valley Stream. The work involves maintenance of track components, including ties and rails, and replacement where necessary.

WEST HEMPSTEAD BRANCH – APRIL 4 & 18

West Hempstead Branch Saturday train service is replaced by buses.

Eastbound: Customers will board their regular trains at western terminals and transfer to buses at Valley Stream for their stations to West Hempstead. Customers should anticipate up to 19 minutes additional travel time.

Westbound: Customers will board buses at their stations and transfer to trains at Jamaica to complete their trips. Customers should anticipate up to 29 minutes additional travel time.

Special timetables for the affected weekends are available at stations and terminals.

For more 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 may also consult the LIRR's website at www.mta.info.