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### Service Advisory 53rd Street-Lexington Avenue E M Station

Due to water intrusion at 53rd Street-Lexington Avenue E M station, the 3rd Avenue entrance (booth N306) will remain closed and escalator #245 will remain out of service for the afternoon rush. Late last night, contractors installing a new cable trough struck a concrete viaduct under the mezzanine floor. Water overflowed from the open viaduct and flooded the mezzanine and platform.

The contractors will be repairing the damaged sewage duct and expect to complete the work for Tuesday's morning rush. Our Maintenance of Way personnel are on the scene pumping water out of the station and our Elevator and Escalator staff are working to bring escalator #245 on line by some time tomorrow.

Customers must use entrances on Lexington Avenue at 53rd Street and 51st Street. We apologize for any inconvenience to our customers and ask for their patience until this matter is resolved.

For travel directions, customers may call NYC Transit's Travel Information Center at 718-330-1234 or log on to [www.mta.info](http://www.mta.info).