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### Work Begins on East 180th Street 25 Station, While Signal Modernization Continues

#### *Weekday Rush Hour 5 Express Service Suspended*

MTA NYC Transit announces that beginning Saturday, March 27 and continuing for 18 months through August 2011, there will be no weekday rush hour 5 express service in either direction between East 180th Street and 3rd Avenue-149th Street. During this period, 5 trains will make all 2 local stops. Currently, 5 trains run express in the peak direction during morning (southbound) and afternoon (northbound) rush hours between East 180th Street and 3rd Avenue-149th Street. It is anticipated that this service change will add about five minutes to customers' trips.

This service change is necessary in order to support two projects on the Bronx 25 lines. The ongoing \$280 million East 180th Street signal modernization project entails the installation of new signal equipment on the White Plains Road line between East 180th Street and Bronx Park East Stations. This project began in 2008 and is scheduled for completion in 2012.

The second project, beginning on March 27, is the East 180th Street station rehabilitation. The work will include complete replacement of the canopy roof, track beds, platforms and platform edge safety tiles, and other station amenities.

During the course of these projects, switches and tracks will be out of service for various lengths of time. Having both the 2 and 5 trains run local allows us to provide consistent subway service throughout the duration of these two projects. This work will also result in some weekend service changes. NYC Transit regrets any inconvenience to our customers. Bronx riders are encouraged to look for signs in stations and listen for announcements. In addition, customers may call our Travel Information Center at 718-330-1234 from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily, or check diversion information at [www.mta.info](http://www.mta.info) (click on Planned Changes).