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Special Traffic Advisory: Reminder Weekend-Long Tube Closure At Brooklyn-Battery Tunnel Fri., Nov. 11th At 10 PM Through Mon., Nov. 14th At 5 AM

Two Way Traffic Will Be Maintained In Remaining Tube; One Lane In Each Direction

The first in a series of planned weekend-long closure of one tube at the Brooklyn-Battery Tunnel begins this weekend as a \$43.5 million Capital Improvement project to replace 1950s-era electrical switches and feeder cables gets underway.

The closure will be from **10 p.m. on Friday through 5 a.m. on Monday**. Two-way traffic will be maintained in the open tube, with one lane in each direction. Motorists are advised to expect delays and use an alternate route.

The work will require 21 weekend-long tube closures spread out throughout 2012. The closures will not be consecutive, but will occur in a series of phases. In addition to this weekend, two other closures will occur on the weekends of **Fri., Nov. 18 – Mon., Nov. 21st** and **Fri., Dec. 2nd to Mon., Dec. 5th**. The time for all weekend-long tube closures will be from 10 p.m. Friday through 5 a.m. Monday.

The project will replace the tunnel's entire 1950's switchgear and associated electrical feeders. This equipment provides the necessary electrical power to energize the tunnels ventilation, lighting, drainage, communication and other vital systems which are necessary for the continued safe operation of the facility.