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Next Series Of Weekend-Long Tube Closures At Brooklyn-Battery Tunnel Set For January Through March

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

The next series of planned weekend-long closures of one tube at the Brooklyn-Battery Tunnel includes one weekend in January and four consecutive weekends beginning February 10th through March 5th. The work is part of the \$43.5 million Capital improvement project to replace the tunnel's original 1950s-era electrical switches and feeder cables.

The scheduled closure of one complete tube (2 lanes) follows:

- **Fri., Jan. 13th through Mon., Jan. 16th**
- **Fri., Feb. 10th through Mon., Feb. 13th**
- **Fri., Feb. 17th through Mon., Feb. 20th**
- **Fri., Feb. 24th through Mon., Feb. 27th**
- **Fri., March 2nd through Mon., March 5th**

All closures 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 opened to traffic in each direction. Motorists are advised to expect delays and use an alternate route. In the event of a severe winter snowstorm work may be rescheduled.

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.

The project will require a total of 21 weekend-long tube closures. Including those above, eight have been scheduled to date. The remaining closures will be spread throughout 2012.