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Weekend-Long Tube Closure At Brooklyn-Battery Tunnel Fri., Jan. 13th At 10 PM Through Mon., Jan. 16th At 5 AM

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

One tube (2 lanes) at the Brooklyn-Battery Tunnel will be closed this weekend as part of the \$43.5 million project to replace 1950s-era electrical switches and feeder cables. Two-way traffic will be maintained in the open tube, with one lane in each direction.

The closure will take place from **10 p.m. on Friday through 5 a.m. on Monday**. Motorists are advised to expect delays and use an alternate route.

The work will require a total of 21 weekend-long tube closures spread out from November 2011 through December 2012. The closures **will not** be consecutive, but will occur in a series of phases. The next weekend-long tube closure will take place Feb. 10th through Feb. 13th.

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.