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### FASTRACK Returns to Washington Heights/Inwood

#### *No A Service Between 207th St and 168th St; C Service Ends Early*

On Monday, June 10, MTA New York City Transit brings *FASTRACK* back to Upper Manhattan on the **A** Line. There will be no service on the **A** between 168<sup>th</sup> Street and 207<sup>th</sup> Street from 10 p.m. until 5 a.m., for four consecutive weeknights from Monday, June 10 to early Friday morning, June 14. **A** trains will operate between Lefferts Blvd/Far Rockaway and 168<sup>th</sup> Street.

Customers may use:

- **1** train service at nearby stations between 207<sup>th</sup> Street and Dyckman Street
- **1** train or **M4** bus for service to and from **A** stations at 190<sup>th</sup> Street, 181<sup>st</sup> Street and 175<sup>th</sup> Street
- An additional shuttle bus connecting Dyckman Street **1** and Dyckman Street **A** stations
- Regular **Bx12** service connecting 207<sup>th</sup> Street **1** and 207<sup>th</sup> Street **A** stations

Transfers between **A** and **1** trains or the special **M4** bus should be made at the 168<sup>th</sup> Street station. **A** local service at **C** stations begins early. Customers should allow for additional travel time.

During the previous *FASTRACK* on the A line in February 2013, hundreds of Transit workers were deployed along the 2.4 mile-long Washington Heights/Inwood line for critical maintenance work, cleaning and station painting. Over four weeknights, workers were able to scrap and clean 18,300 linear feet of track, scrap and clean 4,930 feet of track under and around the third rail, service 75 signals, perform maintenance at one pump room and seal 76 leaks. In addition, other workers replaced 24 platform edges, 1,800 tunnel light bulbs, painted 450 linear feet of rubbing board in stations and much more.

*FASTRACK* was introduced in January 2012, devoting four straight weeknights to perform maintenance work in tunnels, stations and on tracks, completely suspending service within a given line segment for a seven-hour period between 10 p.m. and 5 a.m. This gives free access to the system, allowing an army of maintenance workers to perform dozens of tasks without the concern of having to “clear up” to allow trains to pass.

These *FASTRACK* efforts have been designed around the careful determination that there is adequate alternate means of transportation, including enhanced services along some bus lines during work periods. Alternative transportation options will be detailed in announcements and posters on trains, in stations and on selected buses; brochures will be available in both English and Spanish. Information on this *FASTRACK* is available by clicking [here](#).

Our next *FASTRACK* overnight closure will be June 17-21 with a suspension in service to all **N Q** and **R** stations in Manhattan.

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