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### Buses Replace Trains on Ronkonkoma & Port Jefferson Branches for Track & Switch Work This Weekend

#### *Customers Should Plan for Up to 30 Minutes Additional Travel Time*

Buses will replace trains on the Ronkonkoma and Port Jefferson branches for varying periods from Saturday, October 19 through the early morning hours of Monday, October 21 to allow the Long Island Rail Road to perform track and switch replacement work.

#### **Busing for Ronkonkoma Branch Switch Replacement – Sunday 9 PM to Monday 2AM**

On the Ronkonkoma Branch, buses will provide service between Hicksville and Ronkonkoma from 9 PM Sunday, October 20 until 2 AM Monday, October 21 while the LIRR replaces switches along the route. Eastbound customers should expect 23 minutes of additional travel time depending on their destination. Westbound travelers will board buses at station. Ronkonkoma through Bethpage up to 24 minutes earlier than the usual train departure times.

#### **Port Jefferson Branch Track Work – Saturday Only**

For those traveling on the Port Jefferson Branch, buses will replace trains between Huntington and Port Jefferson on Sunday, October 20 from 12:30 AM until 3:30 PM. Workers will be welding rail and performing other track maintenance. The work outage will affect eight eastbound trains that will arrive at their final destinations up to 26 minutes later than usual. Eight westbound trains will also be affected with those customers boarding buses at their home station up to 18 earlier than normal train depart times.

#### **For More Information**

For specific information about revised train and bus schedules during the track and switch work, customers are advised to pick up copies customers of the **Ronkonkoma Branch Special Timetable** and **Port Jefferson Branch Special Timetable** available at branch stations as well as at Penn Station, Jamaica Station and Atlantic Terminal in Brooklyn. The Special Timetables can also be found on the LIRR website [www.mta.info/lirr](http://www.mta.info/lirr) or by calling the LIRR's Travel Information Center using 511, the New York State Travel Information Line, and say: Long Island Rail Road. If you are deaf or hard of hearing, use your preferred relay service provider for the free 711 relay to reach LIRR at 511.