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FASTRACK Comes to Brooklyn on the 2 Line

Subway Maintenance Program Expands to New Areas in 2013

On Monday, January 21, MTA New York City Transit brings *FASTRACK* to Nostrand Avenue in Brooklyn. The Nostrand Avenue 2 Line will be shut down from 10 p.m. until 5 a.m., for four consecutive weeknights from Monday, January 21 to early Friday morning, January 25. Service will be suspended between Franklin Avenue and Flatbush Avenue-Brooklyn College in both directions. Customers should use the special, fare-free **B44 Limited** bus for service south on Nostrand Avenue and north on New York Avenue. (Please note that **B44 Limiteds** will make Limited bus stops only, not subway station stops.) In addition, customers should consider using Q service to/from nearby stations when possible.

During this *FASTRACK*:

- 3 service ends earlier in Brooklyn, customers may take the 2 or 4 instead.
- 2 service operates between 241st Street and the Utica Avenue 4 station (the last stop)
- Transfers between the **B44 Limited** and 2, 4 service can be made at the Nostrand Avenue 3 station
- 2 trains make all 3 station stops between Chambers Street and Utica Avenue
- 4 trains will make all 3 station stops between Borough Hall and New Lots Avenue. (Service to New Lots Avenue starts early.)
- Transfer between 2 and 4 trains can be made at Utica Avenue

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.

The new *FASTRACK* corridors for 2013 include: the Broadway NQR south of Queensboro Plaza to Court Street; the A Line between 168th Street and 207th Street, in upper Manhattan; the Concourse Line D between 161st and 205th Streets; the Queens Boulevard Line EFMR between 5th Av/53rd Street and Roosevelt Avenue; and the Lexington Avenue 456 between Grand Central and 125th Streets.

FASTRACK projects are also scheduled for the Sixth/Eighth Avenue Lines (A, B, C and D) between 59th Street-Columbus Circle and 168th Street-Broadway and 161st Street; Nassau Street-Broad Street-Essex Street on the J; the Fourth Avenue line (D, N, R) between 36th Street and 95th Streets in Brooklyn.

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 will also be available on the web at www.mta.info and through social media, email and text alerts.

Our next *FASTRACK* overnight closure will be on all N, Q, R stations in Manhattan from 10 p.m. to 5 a.m. for four consecutive weeknights from Monday, January 28 to early morning Friday, February 1.