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### FASTRACK Returns to the Grand Concourse

#### *No D Service Between 205th Street and 161st Street*

On Monday, April 8, MTA New York City Transit brings *FASTRACK* back to the Bronx on the Grand Concourse D Line. D train service will be suspended in both directions between 205<sup>th</sup> Street and 161<sup>st</sup> Street-Yankee Stadium from 10 p.m. until 5 a.m., for four consecutive weeknights from Monday, April 8 to early Friday morning, April 12. B service ends early each night. Bronx-bound D trains skip 155<sup>th</sup> Street. Customers should take the 4 instead. (There are no Yankee home games scheduled during those four nights.)

There will be no D service at 205<sup>th</sup> Street, Bedford Park Blvd, Kingsbridge Road, Fordham Road, 182<sup>nd</sup>-183<sup>rd</sup> Sts, Tremont Avenue, 174<sup>th</sup>-175<sup>th</sup> Sts, 170<sup>th</sup> Street and 167<sup>th</sup> Street.

#### Travel alternatives:

- Take 4 service to and from nearby stations.
- Transfer between D and 4 trains at 161<sup>st</sup> Street-Yankee Stadium.
- Free shuttle buses provide connection service between the 205<sup>th</sup> Street D and the Moshulu Parkway 4 stations only
- For service from 155<sup>th</sup> Street, take a Coney Island-bound D train one stop to 145<sup>th</sup> Street and transfer to a Bronx-bound D
- For service to 155<sup>th</sup> Street, take the Bronx-bound D to 161<sup>st</sup> Street-Yankee Stadium and transfer to a Coney Island-bound D.

During the first *FASTRACK* shutdown of the five-mile long Concourse line in January, hundreds of maintenance workers were able to inspect signals and switches, repair and replace track rails and cross ties, clean track floors, perform elevator and escalator repair work, repair water damage, clear drains, and clean stations.

*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 N, Q, R south of Queensboro Plaza to Court Street; the A line between 168<sup>th</sup> Street and 207<sup>th</sup> Street in Upper Manhattan, the D Concourse Line between 161<sup>st</sup> and 205<sup>th</sup> Street; and the Lexington Avenue 4, 5, and 6 local and express lines between Grand Central-42<sup>nd</sup> Street and 125<sup>th</sup> Street.

*FASTRACK* projects are also scheduled for the Sixth/Eighth Avenue Lines (A, B, C, D) between 59<sup>th</sup> Street-Columbus Circle and 168<sup>th</sup> Street-Broadway and 161<sup>st</sup> Street; the Fourth Avenue line (D, N, R) between 36<sup>th</sup> Street and 95<sup>th</sup> Street in Brooklyn and the 2 along Nostrand Avenue between Franklin and Flatbush Avenues.

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 on the web at [http://172.21.5.208/nyct/service/fastrack\\_D.htm](http://172.21.5.208/nyct/service/fastrack_D.htm).

Our next *FASTRACK* overnight closure will be at all N, Q and R stations in Manhattan for four consecutive weeknights from April 15 to April 19.