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FASTRACK Returns to the 1 Line In Upper Manhattan

No 1 Service between 96th St and Dyckman St

On Monday, March 24, MTA New York City Transit's FASTRACK program returns to the **1** line in Upper Manhattan. **1** service will be suspended between 96 St and Dyckman St from 10 p.m. to 5 a.m. for four consecutive weeknights from Monday, March 24 to early Friday morning, March 28. **1** train service will operate in two sections:

1. Between 242 St and Dyckman St. (Dyckman St-bound **1** trains skip 207 St.)
2. Between South Ferry and 96 St and via the **3** between 96 St and 148 St. (**1** trains skip 145 St in both directions.)

Travel alternatives: Take **A** trains and free shuttle buses

1. Transfer between the **1** (to and from the Bronx) and the **A** at Dyckman St via free shuttle buses.
2. Transfer between the **1** (to and from South Ferry) and the **A** at 59 St-Columbus Circle.
3. For **1** stations in Washington Heights, Harlem, and the Upper West Side, use nearby **A** stations along Ft Washington Av, St Nicholas Av, and Central Park West instead, and/or take free shuttle buses available at **1** stations.
4. Transfer between free shuttle buses and trains at Dyckman St **1** and **A**, 168 St **A**, and 96 St **1**.

Free shuttle buses operate on three routes:

1. Along Broadway between the 96 St **1** and 168 St **A** stations, making stops at 103 St, Cathedral Pkwy (110 St), 116 St, 125 St, 137 St, 145 St, and 157 St.
2. Along St Nicholas Av between the 168 St **A** and the 191 St **1** stations stopping at 181 St.
3. Dyckman St loop between **A** and **1** stations.

During our previous FASTRACK on the **1** line on the Upper West Side in January, maintenance workers completed many tasks in the areas of track, third rail operations, signals, infrastructure, station environment, elevators and escalators, and electronics maintenance. They scraped and cleaned 11,990 feet of track under and around the third rail, installed 23 rails, and replaced 54 tie blocks. At stations, workers painted 16,200 square feet of station surface areas, replaced 261 light bulbs, 41 platform signs, cleaned 261 light fixtures, and repaired 663 feet of rubbing boards. They also performed 140 preventative maintenance actions on 140 elevators and escalators. This represents only a portion of what Transit workers are able to accomplish under the FASTRACK program.

FASTRACK has 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://web.mta.info/nyc/service/fastrack_1.htm

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., allowing an army of maintenance workers to perform dozens of tasks.

Our next FASTRACK overnight closure will be on the **A C** lines, between Hoyt-Schermerhorn Sts and Broadway Junction beginning Monday night May 5 and ending early Friday morning, May 9.