



MTA Press Releases

[Select Language](#) ▼

Press Release

September 16, 2015

LIRR

IMMEDIATE

LIRR Advises Customers to Anticipate Delays & Cancellations During Today's Morning Rush Hour

Re-Railing, Track Repair and Cleanup Efforts Are Continuing Following Freight Derailment West of Hicksville

LIRR customers are advised to anticipate delays and cancellations during the morning rush hour today, Wednesday, September 16. The LIRR is continuing to operate on only one of two tracks between Westbury and Hicksville due to the New York & Atlantic Railway freight derailment west of Hicksville on Tuesday afternoon.

Similar to Tuesday evening's rush hour, approximately one-third of the LIRR's morning rush hour trains are being cancelled today.

Westbound trains will be bypassing Carle Place and Westbury. There will be very limited bus service from those two stations to Mineola. Customers are advised to take alternate LIRR service on the Babylon Branch, if possible.

Regularly scheduled eastbound train service on the Ronkonkoma and Huntington/Port Jefferson branches is suspended between 6 AM and 10 AM. Customers are advised to use alternate LIRR train service on the Babylon and Montauk Branches.

LIRR crews have been working around the clock to clear the derailed freight cars that are blocking one of the two tracks that are shared by trains of the Ronkonkoma Branch and Port Jefferson Branch. Work crews have unloaded the construction debris from the freight car that had toppled on to its side, and removed that car and its wheel assemblies from the track area, and work on rebuilding the track and electrified third rail are underway. LIRR personnel are continuing to work on the re-railing of the second freight car and the subsequent re-building of the track/third rail in that area, as well.

Customers are urged to monitor the LIRR's website, www.mta.info/lirr, the LIRR's TrainTime App and media reports for service updates. Customers are also advised to subscribe to email and text alerts, follow @LIRR on Twitter, and listen for announcements at stations.

The following trains are canceled this morning:

Port Jefferson Branch

- The 5:59AM train from Port Jefferson due Long Island City at 7:51AM is canceled. Customers will be accommodated by the 6:18AM from Port Jefferson due Long Island City 8:07AM, adding a stop at Mineola.
- The 6:25AM train from Hicksville due Penn at 7:11AM is canceled. Customers will be accommodated by the 6:33AM from Hicksville due Penn 7:17AM, adding stops at Carle Place, Merillon Ave. and Hyde Park.
- The 6:38AM train from Huntington due Atlantic Terminal at 7:36AM is canceled. Customers will be accommodated by the 6:50AM from Huntington due Hunterspoint Ave. 7:49AM. Transfer at Jamaica for service to Atlantic Terminal.
- The 6:59AM train from Westbury due Penn at 7:43AM is canceled. Customers will be accommodated by the 6:50AM from Huntington due Hunterspoint Ave. 7:49AM, adding stops at Westbury, Carle Place, Mineola, Merillon Ave. and Hyde Park. Transfer at Jamaica for service to Penn.
- The 7:12AM train from Huntington due Penn at 8:10AM is canceled. Customers will be accommodated by the 7:19AM from Huntington due Atlantic Terminal 8:25AM. Transfer at Jamaica for service to Penn.
- The 7:18AM train from Westbury due Penn at 8:02AM is canceled. Customers will be accommodated by the 7:42AM from Westbury due Atlantic Terminal 8:25AM adding a stop at Carle Place. Transfer at Jamaica for service to Penn.
- The 7:58AM train from Bethpage due Penn at 8:53AM is canceled. Customers will be accommodated west from Hicksville by the 8:22AM from Hicksville due Penn Station 9:08AM. Customers from Bethpage take 8:27AM from Bethpage due Penn 9:17AM.
- The 8:34AM train from Port Jefferson due Hicksville at 9:40AM is canceled. Customers will be accommodated by the 9:10AM from Port Jefferson due Huntington 9:58AM, making added stops at Cold Spring Harbor, Syosset and Hicksville.
- The 9:44AM train from Hicksville due Penn at 10:29AM is canceled. Customers will be accommodated by the 9:49AM from Hicksville due Penn 10:33AM.

Ronkonkoma Branch

- The 6:00AM train from Farmingdale due Penn at 6:50AM is canceled. Customers will be accommodated by the 6:09AM from Farmingdale due Penn 6:58AM, adding a stop at Mineola.
- The 6:54AM train from Central Islip due Penn at 8:06AM is canceled. Customers will be accommodated by the 7:03AM from Central Islip due Atlantic Terminal 8:17AM. Transfer at Jamaica for service to Penn.
- The 6:57AM train from Farmingdale due Penn at 7:48AM is canceled. Customers will be accommodated by the 7:06AM from Farmingdale due Penn Station 8:00AM, adding a stop at Hicksville.

- The 7:40AM train from Ronkonkoma due Atlantic Terminal at 9:01AM is canceled. Customers will be accommodated by the 7:57AM from Ronkonkoma due Penn 9:17AM. Transfer at Jamaica for service to Atlantic Terminal.
- The 7:58AM train from Bethpage due Penn at 8:53AM is canceled. Customers will be accommodated west from Hicksville by the 8:22AM from Hicksville due Penn Station 9:08AM. Customers from Bethpage take 8:27AM from Bethpage due Penn 9:17AM.
- The 9:44AM train from Hicksville due Penn at 10:29AM is canceled. Customers will be accommodated by the 9:49AM from Hicksville due Penn 10:33AM.