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FASTRACK Returns to the NQR Lines

No NR Service in Manhattan

MTA New York City Transit's FASTRACK program returns to Manhattan stations along the **NQR** lines for two consecutive weeks. Beginning Monday, July 6, from 10 p.m. to 5 a.m., for four consecutive weeknights, and from Monday, July 13, to early morning Friday, July 17, **NQR** trains will not stop at stations in Manhattan. **N** trains will run in Queens and Brooklyn only, **Q** trains run in Brooklyn and are rerouted via the 6 Av **D** line in Manhattan, and **R** service will end early in Manhattan and Queens each night.

Travel alternatives:

- In Queens, take the **M** instead of the **R**. Take the 7 for service between Queens and Manhattan.
- In Manhattan, use nearby stations on the 8 Av AE, 7 Av 12, 6 Av **DF**, and Lexington Av **46** lines instead.
- Take the **24AD** and **Q** between Manhattan and Brooklyn.
- **N** trains make local **R** stops between Court St and 59 St, in Brooklyn.

NQR trains will operate as follows:

N trains operate in two sections (Queens and Brooklyn) as follows:

- Between Astoria-Ditmars Blvd and Queensboro Plaza.
- Between Coney Island-Stillwell Av and the Court St **R** station.

Q trains rerouted via the **D** line in Manhattan as follows:

- Manhattan-bound: After DeKalb Av, **Q** trains run via the **D** to 47-50 Sts, then to the 57 St **F** station, which will be the last stop.
- Coney Island-bound: Trains originate at the 57 St **F** station then run via the **D** line to Brooklyn. Regular Coney Island-Stillwell Av bound **Q** service resumes at DeKalb Av.

R train service ends early in Manhattan and Queens as follows:

- The last **R** train to Bay Ridge-95 St leaves Forest Hills-71 Av at about 9:15 p.m.
- The last **R** train to Forest Hills-71 Av leaves Bay Ridge-95 St at about 9:20 p.m.
- In Brooklyn, **R** shuttle service between 36 St and Bay Ridge- 95 St will operate overnight.

Joseph Leader, Senior Vice President for the Department of Subways, said, "Our FASTRACK efforts have been highly successful in repairing and maintaining a subway system that improves train service reliability for our customers while providing a safer work environment for employees."

During our previous FASTRACK along this corridor in November 2014, New York City Transit repair and maintenance crews completed many tasks along this 7.3-mile long segment of the **NQR** line. Track workers cleaned 47,680 feet of track, replaced 33 rails, 651 track plates, 575 friction pads, and cleaned 4,600 feet of track under and around the third rail. Infrastructure crews repaired 130 leaks and 170 square feet of damaged concrete, serviced three pump plants, cleaned 25 muck drains, replaced 60 square feet of grating, replaced 708 light bulbs, and repaired 344 feet of bench wall. At stations, workers replaced 92 ADA tiles, scraped and primed 1,800 square feet of station surface and painted 3,300 square feet, repaired 35 feet of rubbing board, and performed lighting improvements which consisted of cleaning 396 lighting fixtures, and the replacement of 498 light bulbs. Signal workers serviced 15 switches and 27 signals, tested 15 switches and 34 signals, and performed maintenance at 17 switch locations. They also replaced 12 track relays, 4 switch components and completed several inspections of signal components and equipment. This represents only a portion of what Transit workers 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_nqr.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 **R** line in Brooklyn for two consecutive weeks beginning Monday night through early Friday morning, July 27 to July 31, and August 3 to August 7. The most up-to-date information on MTA service status is always available at <http://www.mta.info/>. For immediate notice of service changes, sign up for email or text alerts at <https://www.mymtaalerts.com>. For weekend subway service changes, visit <http://web.mta.info/weekender.html>.