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Metro-North Railroad and Connecticut Department of Transportation Announce Devon Bridge Span Is in Closed Position

Inspections, Repairs Will Continue Throughout the Coming Days

MTA Metro-North Railroad and the Connecticut Department of Transportation today announced that the northern span of the Devon Bridge, connecting Stratford and Milford, Connecticut, has been put into the closed position. Over the coming days, crews will inspect the bridge and make necessary repairs to allow train traffic to resume on all available tracks.

The Devon Movable Bridge was built in 1904 and carries New Haven Line, Waterbury Branch, Amtrak and Shore Line East trains over the Housatonic River between Stratford and Milford, Connecticut, and has two drawbridge spans that open vertically to allow marine traffic to pass underneath. Earlier, the northern span had been unable to close following a scheduled test at 1 a.m. on Wednesday, July 1. Throughout the holiday weekend, trains traveling eastbound and westbound will continue to use the southern span of the bridge, which carries Metro-North's Tracks 2 and 4.

Over the coming days, workers will continue to inspect the structure and the rails that run on it, and make any necessary repairs to allow a return of train service to all available tracks. The cause of the initial bridge failure remains under investigation.

For the latest service updates, Metro-North customers are advised to listen carefully at stations for announcements, monitor the news media including traffic and transit reports, sign up for email or text message service alerts at www.mymtaalerts.com, and follow @MetroNorth on Twitter.