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### FASTRACK Comes to the 123 in Manhattan and Brooklyn

#### 3 Service is Suspended

For the first time this year, MTA New York City Transit's *FASTRACK* program returns to stations along the 1 2 3 lines between Midtown Manhattan and Downtown Brooklyn for two consecutive weeks. Beginning Monday, August 17, from 10 p.m. to 5 a.m., for four consecutive weeknights, and from Monday, August 24, to early morning Friday, August 28, 1 2 3 trains are suspended in both directions between 34 St-Penn Station and South Ferry/Atlantic Av-Barclays Ctr. For service to/from Lower Manhattan and Downtown Brooklyn, use the R before 11:30 p.m. and the N after 11:30 p.m.

#### How trains will operate:

- 1 service operates between Van Cortlandt Park-242 St and 34 St-Penn Station.
- 2 service is rerouted via the 5 line between Eastchester-Dyre Av and E 180 St, and operates between E 180 St and 34 St-Penn Station.
- 5 service operates between Flatbush Av-Brooklyn College and E 180 St, and is rerouted via the 2 to/from Wakefield-241 St.
- 3 service is suspended. In Manhattan, free shuttle buses run to/from 3 line stations at 148 St, 145 St, and 135 St. In Brooklyn, 4 trains make all 3 line station stops between Atlantic Av-Barclays Ctr and New Lots Av.

#### Travel Alternatives:

To/from Upper Manhattan and the Bronx:

- Take the A C D N Q R instead. Transfer between the 1 2 and A C D at 59 St-Columbus Circle, or transfer between the A C and 1 train at 168 St. You may also transfer between the N Q R and the 1 or 2 at Times Sq-42 St.

To/from New Lots Av and Flatbush Av-Brooklyn College:

- Take the 4 or 5 instead. Transfer between the 4 6 and the D N Q R at Atlantic Av-Barclays Ctr, or transfer between the 4 5 and A C at Fulton St.

To/from 148 St and 145 St 3 stations:

- Take free shuttle buses to/from the 135 St 2 line station.

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 provides a safer work environment for the hundreds of employees working in tunnels and stations to repair and replace components that are vital to providing safe and reliable train service, and an improved station environment for our customers."

*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\\_123.htm#stayInformed](http://web.mta.info/nyc/service/fastrack_123.htm#stayInformed)

*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 scheduled to begin Monday night September 14, and ending early Friday morning, September 18, will take place on F line between Jamaica-179 St and Briarwood in Queens.