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### LIRR Bridge Work on Port Jefferson Branch to Improve Train Safety

#### *Buses to Substitute For Some Trains During 12-Hour Period on Sunday, Oct. 8*

Long Island Rail Road crews will conduct work at the Stony Brook Road Bridge in Stony Brook along the Port Jefferson line on Sunday, Oct. 8. To allow for work between the hours of 7:30 a.m. until around 7:30 p.m. that day, buses will substitute for trains at St. James, Stony Brook and Port Jefferson stations during those hours.

#### Eastbound

Customers traveling to St. James, Stony Brook and Port Jefferson stops will disembark trains at Smithtown and board buses for the balance of their trip. Customers should allow for up to 25 minutes in extra travel time to reach their destinations.

#### Westbound

Buses will depart up to 30 minutes earlier than scheduled train times from Port Jefferson, making stops at Stony Brook and St. James stations, in an effort to maintain normal train service when it resumes at Smithtown.

#### Motorists

Work will be performed at track level, allowing Stony Brook Road to remain open to traffic.

#### Many Channels for Services Updates

Information about the additional service noted in this press release and all planned service changes is available through the LIRR's real-time service information sources:

**Email and text message service updates** – Customers are urged to sign up to receive the alerts by visiting [MyMTAAlerts.com](http://MyMTAAlerts.com). To avoid unwanted messages, a user can tailor the messages to the specific branch, and the specific times of day.

**LIRR Train Time app** – Customers who use the LIRR Train Time app will see up-to-the-minute status for each upcoming train at each station. As a caution, trains that start out their trips on time may experience delays en route.

**MTA.info** – The rail tab of the "Service Status" box at the left side of [www.MTA.info](http://www.MTA.info) is always the definitive source for the latest status for each branch, updated every minute. In addition, customers can visit [www.mta.info/lirr](http://www.mta.info/lirr) to see special service notices in the upper center of the page.

**@LIRR on Twitter** – Twitter users can follow @LIRR to receive updates of a similar nature to the email and text alerts, shortened to fit Twitter's format.

The above communications channels can be accessed while at home or on the go. For customers who are located at stations, the LIRR will post the latest service updates on **digital signs** at station platforms and will make **audio announcements** over public address systems, and **on-board announcements** made by train crews.

For those who prefer the **telephone**, information is available from the LIRR's Customer Service Center by calling 511, the New York State Travel Information Line, and saying: "Long Island Rail Road" Those who are deaf or hard of hearing can use their preferred service provider for the free 711 relay to reach the LIRR at 511.