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Work on Manhasset Viaduct to Fortify LIRR Infrastructure This Weekend

Service Changes on Port Washington Branch This Saturday and Sunday, July 21-22; Buses to Substitute For Trains Between Great Neck and Port Washington

Long Island Rail Road crews will perform important infrastructure work this weekend, July 21-22, 2018, along the Port Washington Branch's Manhasset Viaduct. LIRR engineering crews will work on the viaduct as part of the railroad's biannual maintenance of the bridge's track timber, which are fastened to the structure, and ensure the bridge's continued stability.

To allow for this work, train service on the Port Washington Branch between Penn Station and Great Neck will be reduced from half-hourly to hourly. Additionally, buses will substitute for train service between Great Neck and Port Washington. These changes will be in effect from Saturday, July 21, at 12:17 a.m., through Monday, July 23, at 12:52 a.m.

Customers are advised to plan for up to an additional 25 minutes travel time, depending on origin station and destination.

Saturday-Sunday, July 21-22, 2018: View special Port Washington Branch timetable [here](#).

Westbound

Customers at stations Port Washington, Plandome and Manhasset will board buses up to 25 minutes *earlier* than normal train times. At Great Neck, customers will transfer to westbound trains.

Eastbound

Customers traveling to stations Manhasset, Plandome or Port Washington will transfer to buses at Great Neck for their destination.

Many Channels for Services Updates

Information about the service changes 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](#). To avoid unwanted messages, a user can tailor the messages to the specific branch, and the specific times of day.

MYmta app – Customers who use the new, comprehensive MYmta app will see real-time travel information for LIRR and connecting services all in one place. As a caution, trains that start out their trips on time may experience delays en route. The LIRR Train Time app also remains available for customers to access LIRR train information.

MTA.info – The rail tab of the "Service Status" box at the left side of [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](#) 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.