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### LIRR to Enhance Safety, Reliability on Port Jefferson Branch with Concrete Tie Replacement

**Buses to Substitute For Trains on Portions of the Port Jefferson Branch on Weekends: October 13-14; October 20-21; and October 27-28**

MTA Long Island Rail Road track crews over the next three weekends will perform concrete tie replacement on the Port Jefferson Branch, ensuring its continuing safety and reliability.

This proactive infrastructure work will take place all weekend on October 13-14 and 27-28, 2018, as well as Saturday evening, October 20 and all day Sunday, October 21. The work is being done on weekend hours to minimize service changes during busy weekday service periods.

This work to renew the railroad's infrastructure will require buses to substitute for train service on the Port Jefferson Branch between **Port Jefferson and Huntington stations** on both Saturday and Sunday on the weekends of **October 13-14 and October 27-28**. The work will begin at 12:35 a.m. on these Saturdays, continue through these Sundays, until at 12:55 a.m. Monday, when train service will resume prior to the start of the morning rush.

For the weekend of **October 20-21**, buses will substitute for trains between **Port Jefferson and Stony Brook stations** *only*, from 8:55 p.m. Saturday, until 12:49 a.m. Monday. [See a special timetable for this weekend here](#).

Service change details **for the weekends of October 13-14, 27-28, 2018** are as follows:

#### Port Jefferson Branch – [Special Timetable Here for October 13-14, 27-28, 2018 ONLY](#)

##### Westbound

- Customers at stations Port Jefferson through Greenlawn will board buses **23 minutes earlier** than normal train times. At Huntington, customers will connect with trains for service to points west.

##### Eastbound

- Customers traveling to stations Greenlawn through Port Jefferson will transfer to buses at Huntington. Please plan for 22 minutes of additional travel time.

#### 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.