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Overnight Work to Advance MTA Subway Action Plan on the DF Lines in Manhattan and Brooklyn

FASTRACK Maintenance and Repair Work Helps to Target Main Drivers of Delays While Minimizing Impact on Customers; Free Shuttle Buses Provide Alternate Service

Beginning Monday, Sept. 24, an extensive amount of maintenance, cleaning and repair work to advance the [MTA Subway Action Plan](#) will be performed when MTA New York City Transit's **FASTRACK** program returns to several stations along the **D** **F** lines in Manhattan and Downtown Brooklyn.

In order to minimize impact on customers and give workers unfettered access to tracks, this work will be performed for four consecutive weeknights from 9:30 p.m. to 5 a.m. on Monday, Sept. 24, to early Friday morning, Sept. 28. During those periods, **D** trains will be rerouted on the **C** line in both directions between 145 St and Jay St-MetroTech, and then via the **F** line between Jay St-MetroTech and Coney Island-Stillwell Av. **F** trains will be rerouted in both directions via the **Q** express between Lexington Av/63 St and Atlantic Av-Barclays Ctr, and via the **D** local between Atlantic Av-Barclays Ctr and Coney Island-Stillwell Av.

The MTA Subway Action Plan is a comprehensive plan to stabilize and modernize the subway system by attacking the key drivers of 79 percent of delay-causing major incidents, strategically targeting additional personnel and equipment to focus on critical parts of the system. Track and signal components are maintained and repaired, and massive amounts of debris are removed to reduce delay-causing track fires. The Subway Action Plan also focuses on improving communications to help customers plan their trips.

FASTRACK was introduced in January 2012, devoting four straight weeknights to maintenance work in tunnels, stations and on tracks by suspending service within a given line segment for a seven-hour period between 10 p.m. and 5 a.m. During each seven-hour period, an army of maintenance workers will take advantage of train-free access to the tracks to perform dozens of tasks that are vital to providing safe and reliable train service. These tasks include the repair and replacement of track, third rail, electrical and signal components, debris removal from tracks and under or around the third rail, and the repair of tunnel infrastructure. Improvements to stations include painting, platform work, and repairs to signage, lighting fixtures and ADA components.

"The unfettered track access of **FASTRACK** enables us to advance Subway Action Plan goals and minimize customer impact by allowing workers to do more in less time," MTA Chairman Joseph Lhota said. "We are on an urgent path to stabilizing and modernizing the subway system and intensive overnight work will help us get there."

FASTRACK schedules have 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 buses.

As noted above, during this **FASTRACK** operation **D** and **F** trains will be rerouted on the **C** line in both directions between 145 St and Jay St-MetroTech, and then via the **F** line between Jay St-MetroTech and Coney Island-Stillwell Av. **F** trains will be rerouted in both directions via the **Q** express between Lexington Av/63 St and Atlantic Av-Barclays Ctr, and via the **D** local between Atlantic Av-Barclays Ctr and Coney Island-Stillwell Av.

For **D** service, use **A C E** stations on 8 Av or **N Q R** stations on Broadway to complete your trip. Transfer at Times Sq-42 St/Port Authority **A C D E F N Q R**, Jay St-MetroTech **A C D N R**, or 4 Av-9 St **D G R**. Free shuttle buses make **D** line station stops at W 4 St, Broadway-Lafayette St, and Grand St.

For **F** service, use **A C E** stations on 8 Av or **N Q R** stations on Broadway to complete your trip. Transfer at Times Sq-42 St/Port Authority **A C D E F N** **Q R**, Canal St **F N Q R**, or Jay St-MetroTech **A C D N R**. Free shuttle will buses run along two routes, between W 4 St and East Broadway and between Jay St-MetroTech and York St.

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