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Minor Metro-North Schedules Take Effect on Sunday, September 30

Schedule Changes Includes Enhanced Holiday Service

Metro-North Railroad announced that minor schedule adjustments to certain Harlem, Hudson, New Haven Line trains, as well as Pascack Valley and Port Jervis Line trains, will take effect on Sunday, September 30.

The slight adjustment to train schedules will improve connection times. As part of this schedule adjustment, Metro-North will offer extra "Fall Foliage" trains and provide increased service for the upcoming holiday season.

Details of the changes by line are as follows:

Hudson Line

- Extra "Fall Foliage" trains will operate between New York, Beacon and Poughkeepsie on Saturday, October 13, 20 and 27.

Harlem Line

- Five trains have schedule adjustments of 1 or 2 minutes to provide consistent trip times and to provide standard connection times.

New Haven Line

- The 3:20 p.m. train from New Haven departs 2 minutes earlier and adds a stop at Green's Farms to accommodate a change in the school day at Green's Farms Academy.

Pascack Valley Line

- The 8:59 a.m. train and 10:49 a.m. train from Spring Valley have connecting trains from Secaucus Junction to New York Penn Station that arrive at Penn Station 4 and 5 minutes later.

Port Jervis

- The 7:44 a.m. train and 11:30 a.m. train from Port Jervis have connecting trains from Secaucus Junction to New York Penn Station that arrives at Penn Station 4 and 11 minutes later.

Holiday Service

- Shoppers' Specials will be operated on Saturdays and Sundays between November 17 and December 23, 2018. There will be 10 additional New Haven Line and two additional Hudson Line trains on Saturdays and four additional New Haven Line trains on Sundays.
- Christmas Day Metro-North will operate an amended service with hourly local trains to and from Croton/Harmon, North White Plains and Stamford and hourly trains to and from Poughkeepsie, Southeast and New Haven
- New Year's Eve we will operate a Sunday schedule, with additional trains and capacity added inbound in the afternoon and evening and additional trains outbound overnight into New Year's Day
- New Year's Day we will operate an amended schedule with hourly local trains to and from Croton/Harmon, North White Plains and Stamford and hourly trains to and from Poughkeepsie, Southeast and New Haven, with an additional six mid-day outer New Haven Line trains to accommodate heavy ridership
- On Martin Luther King Day we will operate an expanded Saturday service, with 14 additional Harlem Line trains, 13 additional New Haven Line trains and three additional Hudson Line trains.
- The half-hourly Harlem Line trains which were truncated to Crestwood in support of the White Plains Enhanced Station Initiative will be reinstated to North White Plains on the Friday after Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve, Martin Luther King Day and Presidents' Day.

The next schedule change for the Hudson, Harlem and New Haven lines will be effective April 14, 2019. New Jersey Transit plans to issue a new schedule for the Pascack Valley and Port Jervis Lines effective October 14, 2018. There are no changes to schedule times at New York State stations or Hoboken on either the Pascack Valley or Port Jervis Lines. One Port Jervis Line train will have its stopping pattern changed at stations within New

Jersey, and there will be minor adjustments to schedules of connecting trains on the Northeast Corridor between Secaucus Junction and New York Penn Station.

Many Channels for Service Updates

Information about the planned schedule changes noted in this press release, and all planned service changes, is available through Metro-North Railroad's real-time service information sources:

MYmta app – Customers who use the new, comprehensive MYmta app will see real-time travel information.

MTA.info - The rail tab of the "Service Status" box at new.mta.info is always the definitive source for the latest status for each line, updated every minute. In addition, customers can visit www.mta.info/mnr to see special service notices in the upper center of the page.

Email and text message service updates – Customers are urged to sign up to receive the alerts by visiting MyMTAAAlerts.com. To avoid unwanted messages, a user can tailor the messages to the specific branch, and the specific times of day.

@MetroNorth on Twitter – Twitter users can follow @MetroNorth 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, Metro-North 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 Metro-North's Customer Service Center by calling 511, the New York State Travel Information Line, and saying: "Metro-North Railroad." For customers calling from Connecticut, the number is: 877-690-5114. Those who are deaf or hard of hearing can use their preferred service provider for the free 711 relay to reach Metro-North at 511.