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Replacement of Science Road Railroad Crossing in Norwalk Gets Underway Weekend of September 14-16

Buses to Substitute for Danbury Branch Weekend Trains to Accommodate Infrastructure Improvement

Metro-North Railroad advises customers that this weekend, September 14-17, Connecticut Department of Transportation crews will replace the railroad crossing on Science Road in Norwalk. Metro-North crews will take advantage of this work to weld track and trim trees.

The replacement of the Science Road crossing is part of the Connecticut Walk Bridge Program's [Danbury Branch Dockyard Project](#), which includes electrification of the Danbury Branch between Washington Street and Jennings Place. The scope of the Dockyard Project encompasses adding two new tracks, track and ballast replacement, installing new catenary structures, and signal and communications upgrades.

To support work essential to maintaining and improving service on the Danbury branch, buses will substitute for trains this weekend, September 14-16. Regular Danbury branch service will resume with the first scheduled train on Monday, September 17.

Service details are below:

Southbound, Friday, September 14

After 9 p.m., buses will substitute for all trains departing from Danbury to South Norwalk, making all scheduled stops to South Norwalk. Buses operate up to 15 minutes **earlier** than normal train times and will connect with regularly scheduled trains at Stamford.

Northbound, Friday, September 14

After 9 p.m., buses will substitute for all trains departing from South Norwalk to Danbury, making all station stops to Danbury. Buses will depart at regularly scheduled train times, but customers should allow for later arrival times.

Southbound, Saturday and Sunday, September 15-16

Buses will substitute for all trains departing from Danbury to South Norwalk. Buses will operate up to 15 minutes **earlier** than normal train times. At South Norwalk station, customers will connect with regularly scheduled train service.

Northbound, Saturday and Sunday, September 15-16

Buses will substitute for all trains departing from South Norwalk to Danbury, making all station stops to Danbury. Buses will depart from South Norwalk at regularly scheduled train times, but customers should allow for later arrival times. For exact bus arrival times, customers should visit this link:

For exact bus departure times, customers can visit:

http://web.mta.info/mnr/pdf/09_06_18_DanburyBusing_v1.pdf

Many Channels for Service Updates

Information about the planned service change 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 for Metro-North and connecting services all in one place, with push notifications when service is not operating normally. As a caution, trains that start out their trips on time may experience delays en route. The Metro-North Train Time app also remains available for customers to access Metro-North train 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 MyMTAAlerts.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.