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### LIRR to Perform Track Work, Roadway Crossing Surfacing and Rail Safety Tests June 29-30

#### *Service Changes in Place for Port Jefferson and Ronkonkoma Branches; Buses Will Substitute for Trains Overnight and Early Morning Between Huntington and Port Jefferson*

MTA Long Island Rail Road today announced that this coming weekend, June 29-30, crews will install a switch at Hicksville, perform surfacing work at Covert Avenue in New Hyde Park, where crews are preparing to install a bridge that will replace the former at-grade crossing, and conduct ultrasonic and induction rail testing between Huntington and Port Jefferson. As a result, service changes will in place on the Port Jefferson and Ronkonkoma Branches.

On the Port Jefferson Branch, service between Huntington and Penn Station will operate once per hour, instead of twice, and service between Port Jefferson and Huntington will operate every two hours instead of every 90 minutes. Buses will replace overnight and early morning trains between Huntington and Port Jefferson on Saturday and Sunday as a result of the rail safety testing. Please see this special [Port Jefferson Branch schedule](#) for all service on this affected weekend.

On the Ronkonkoma Branch, some trains will make added stops at Mineola and trains will operate on adjusted schedules on Saturday and Sunday. Please see this special [Ronkonkoma Branch schedule](#) for all service on this affected weekend.

#### Many Ways to Stay Connected

Information about the planned schedule change noted in this press release, and all planned service changes, is available through the LIRR's real-time service information sources.

**myLIRR.org** - Customers can see real-time positions of upcoming trains in real time, on a smartphone-optimized map that refreshes every 3- to 5-seconds, by logging into myLIRR.org, which is optimized for smartphone screens.

**MYmta app & MTA.info** – Customers who use the new, comprehensive MYmta app will see real-time travel information for the LIRR 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 LIRR Train Time app also remains available for customers to access LIRR train information. The rail tab of the “Service Status” box at new.MTA.info is always the definitive source for the latest status for each branch, updated every minute.

**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.

**@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.