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Metro-North Crews to Make Improvements to Upper Hudson Line on Saturday, April 13

Schedule Changes in Effect to Accommodate Line Upgrade

Metro-North Railroad advises customers that this Saturday, April 13, crews will replace a switch south of Poughkeepsie. This mechanism allows trains to move from one track to another and is crucial to safe and efficient service.

To accommodate this line upgrade, trains will have to operate on a single-track between Beacon and Poughkeepsie for a distance of approximately 14 miles, which will require the select trains to terminate or originate at Beacon, six trains to be cancelled, as well as minor schedule adjustments.

Local trains operating between Grand Central Terminal and Croton-Harmon will not be affected by the track work and will run on a regular weekend schedule on Saturday.

The following schedule adjustments will be made on Saturday, April 13:

Grand Central Terminal bound trains:

- Trains that normally depart Poughkeepsie at 9:50 a.m., 11:50 a.m., 1:50 p.m., 3:50 p.m., 5:50 p.m., 7:54 p.m. and 9:50 p.m. will not operate from Poughkeepsie nor will they stop at New Hamburg. Trains instead will originate at Beacon at their regularly schedule Beacon stop time.
- All other trains from Poughkeepsie to Grand Central Terminal will depart Poughkeepsie at their normally scheduled times and will arrive at Grand Central Terminal 5 minutes later.
- Trains from Poughkeepsie to Grand Central Terminal that normally depart at 9:40 a.m., 10:40 a.m. and 3:40 p.m. are cancelled.

Poughkeepsie bound trains:

- Trains from Grand Central Terminal to Poughkeepsie that normally depart at 7:45 a.m., 9:45 a.m., 11:45 a.m., 1:45 p.m., 3:45 p.m., 5:45 p.m. and 7:45 p.m., will terminate at Beacon. These trains will not continue on to New Hamburg or Poughkeepsie.
- All other trains from Grand Central Terminal to Poughkeepsie will arrive at Poughkeepsie 5 minutes later.
- Trains from Grand Central Terminal to Poughkeepsie that normally depart at 4:14 p.m., 5:14 p.m. and 6:14 p.m. are cancelled.

For a detailed schedule for Saturday, April 13, customers may visit:

http://web.mta.info/mnr/pdf/PublicTT-CP61_Outage_4_13_19v2.pdf

Many Channels for Service Updates

Information about the planned schedule 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.