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### Buses Replace Trains Between Farmingdale and Ronkonkoma for Track Work Again This Saturday and Sunday, August 20-21

#### *Customers Advised to Huntington-Port Jefferson and Babylon Branches Instead*

Buses will replace trains on the Long Island Rail Road's Ronkonkoma Branch between Farmingdale and Ronkonkoma for 48-hours over the weekend of August 20-21 for track work and the renewal of the railroad crossing at Carl's Straight Path in Deer Park.

Customers can avoid the busing and long travel time by using the Babylon Branch or the Huntington/Port Jefferson Branch instead. Trains run every half-hour on the Babylon Branch and on the Port Jefferson Branch west of Huntington.

The tracks will be taken out of service at 12:45 a.m. on Saturday and returned to service by 12:45 a.m. on Monday. To determine how the track outage will affect their trip, customers should pick up a copy of the [Special Timetable for the Ronkonkoma Branch](#) covering both weekends or view the timetables at [www.mta.info/lirr](http://www.mta.info/lirr).

#### **Ronkonkoma Branch**

##### **Eastbound**

Customers will travel by train as far as Hicksville where they will board buses up to 44 minutes earlier than normal for travel to stations Pinelawn through Ronkonkoma. Train service to Bethpage and Farmingdale is unaffected.

##### **Westbound**

Customers at stations Ronkonkoma through Pinelawn will board buses up to 44 minutes earlier than normal to Hicksville where trains service resumes. Train service to Bethpage and Farmingdale is unaffected.

#### **East of Ronkonkoma to Greenport**

##### **Eastbound**

Customers will board the 8:12 a.m. and the 1:12 p.m. from Penn Station one hour earlier than normal for Hicksville and change there for bus service to Ronkonkoma where normal train service will resume. Customers boarding at stations Bethpage through Central Islip will board a local bus for Ronkonkoma where normal train service will resume.

##### **Westbound**

Customers will detrain at Ronkonkoma and board buses 21 minutes later for Hicksville where train service will resume. Customers traveling to stations Central Islip through Bethpage will board a local bus at Ronkonkoma to reach their final destinations.

#### **For More Information**

A copy of the Special Ronkonkoma Branch Timetable is [available online](#) and at LIRR stations. Customers may also call 511, the New York State Travel Information line, for LIRR information.