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Buses Replace LIRR Trains for Track Work Between Farmingdale & Ronkonkoma Over the Weekends of Aug. 13-14 and 20-21

Projects Include Track Work and Straight Path Railroad Crossing Renewal

Buses will replace trains on the Long Island Rail Road's Ronkonkoma Branch between Farmingdale and Ronkonkoma for 48-hours over the consecutive weekends of August 13-14 and August 20-21 for track work and the renewal of the railroad crossing at Straight Path in Wyandanch.

For each weekend, 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.

Ronkonkoma Branch

Eastbound

Customers will travel by train as far as Hicksville where they will board buses for travel to stations Pinelawn through Ronkonkoma and should expect up to 44 minutes of additional travel time. 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

Eastbound customers who normally take the 9:12 a.m. departure from Penn Station to Ronkonkoma to connect with the train to Greenport must instead take a train one hour earlier than normal, departing Penn Station at 8:12 a.m. for Hicksville. Then, at Hicksville transfer to buses to Ronkonkoma where normal train service to Greenport will resume. Customers at stations Bethpage through Central Islip will board a local bus for Ronkonkoma, where normal train service to Greenport will be available.

Eastbound customers who normally take the 2:12 p.m. departure from Penn Station to Ronkonkoma to connect with the train to Greenport, must instead take a train one hour earlier than normal, departing Penn Station at 1:12 p.m. for Hicksville. Then, at Hicksville transfer to buses to Ronkonkoma where normal train service to Greenport will resume. Customers at stations Bethpage through Central Islip will board a local bus for Ronkonkoma, where normal train service to Greenport will be available.

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.