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### UPDATE: Metro- North Announces “Enhanced Saturday” Schedule for Thursday, May 19

#### *Enhanced Schedule Will Provide More Peak Period Trains For Customers Than Typical Saturday Schedule*

Metro-North crews continue making progress on repairs to the railroad’s Park Avenue Viaduct that was damaged by last evening’s four alarm fire beneath the structure, allowing the railroad to expand its regular Saturday schedule for tomorrow’s commute.

Thursday’s enhanced Saturday schedule provides customers with additional trains during peak travel periods and represents 75% of ridership capacity. The enhanced Saturday schedule will be in effect for Thursday on all three lines. Customers should refer to the schedules page at [http://as0.mta.info/mnr/schedules/sched\\_form.cfm](http://as0.mta.info/mnr/schedules/sched_form.cfm).

Metro-North’s connecting services (the Hudson Rail Link, Haverstraw-Ossining Ferry and Newburgh-Beacon Ferry) will operate on an enhanced Saturday schedule.

Two of the four tracks were restored in time for this morning’s rush hour. Trains are safely operating on the two outside tracks of the viaduct with train speeds reduced from 60 mph to a maximum allowable speed of 30 mph.

A third track will be back in service in time for Thursday’s morning rush hour while repairs continue in order to allow the remaining track to go back into service.

Customers should expect delays and crowded conditions and, if at all possible, are encouraged to work from home or find alternate travel plans.

Customers should continue to check the website and news media for any updates, and listen for announcements at stations.