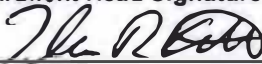

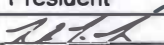


Staff Summary



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PURPOSE:

This is to inform the Long Island Committee of the MTA Long Island Rail Road’s plan to adjust schedules beginning March 4, 2024, through May 19, 2024.

Projects supported during this timetable include Crossing Rehabilitation between Ronkonkoma and Greenport, Track Maintenance on Montauk Branch, Grand Central Madison Contractor Maintenance and Wireless Cellular Installation, Hall Interlocking Expansion, Rail Replacement and Maintenance on the Atlantic Branch, Atlantic Tunnel Lighting, Eastbound Reroute Construction in Harold Interlocking, and the West Side Yard Overbuild.

Additionally, track work programs will support Track Maintenance on the Port Washington Branch and Crossing Renewals on the Montauk and Port Jefferson Branches. The LIRR will also provide extra service on Saturday, March 16th for customers travelling to New York City for the St. Patrick’s Day Parade.

MARCH 4 TIMETABLE CHANGE

Service Improvements

- One additional train on the Long Beach Branch to Atlantic Terminal in the AM peak.
- One additional train from Penn Station to Babylon following sporting events and concerts at Madison Square Garden.
- One additional train from Penn Station to Ronkonkoma following sporting events and concerts at Madison Square Garden.

Service Adjustments to Support Trackwork

- **West Hempstead Branch** – One West Hempstead Branch train will be diverted from Grand Central Madison to Atlantic Terminal during the PM Peak. Midday and overnight service will operate to/from Penn Station.

- **Babylon Branch** – One Babylon Branch train will be diverted from Grand Central Madison to Atlantic Terminal in the PM Peak. One Babylon Branch train will be diverted from Penn Station to Grand Central Madison in the PM Peak. Schedule adjustments have been made to support midday trackwork between Jamaica and Valley Stream.
- **Montauk Branch** – Schedule adjustments have been made midday/weekday, to support connecting Babylon Branch service affected by trackwork between Jamaica and Valley Stream.
- **Far Rockaway Branch** – One Far Rockaway Branch trains will be diverted from Penn Station to Grand Central Madison. One reverse PM Peak train will be diverted from Grand Central Madison to Atlantic Terminal.
- **Atlantic Shuttle** – Two Atlantic Shuttle trains will be cancelled and replaced with through service on the West Hempstead and Babylon Branches during the PM Peak period. Weekday overnight service is reduced from three trains and hour to two trains an hour.
- **Ronkonkoma/Greenport Branch** – Bus service will replace train service between Ronkonkoma and Greenport, weekday/midday, to support trackwork crossing rehabilitations east on Ronkonkoma.

Service Adjustments Within Guidelines

- **Ronkonkoma Branch** – Three lightly-patronized PM peak Ronkonkoma Branch trains will be eliminated.
- **Babylon Branch** – One lightly-patronized PM peak Babylon Branch trains eliminated. Weekend service adjustments/reductions at Bellmore, Massapequa, and Amityville.

TRACK WORK PROGRAMS

Construction Activities (Short-term trackwork items requiring a special program)

- **Port Washington Branch – Track Maintenance** – On the weekend of March 2-3, the single main track between Great Neck and Port Washington will be out of service to support track maintenance.
 - **Temporary Service Adjustments:** With the single main track out of service between Great Neck and Port Washington, bus service will replace train service for a period of 48 hours.
- **Port Jefferson Branch – Crossing Renewal** – On Sunday, March 10th, and Sunday, March 17th, one of two main tracks will be out of service between Hicksville and Cold Spring Harbor while the Jackson Avenue railroad crossing in Syosset is rehabilitated.
 - **Temporary Service Adjustments:** With one of two main tracks out of service on the Port Jefferson Branch between Hicksville and Cold Spring Harbor, schedule adjustments will be required on the Huntington, Port Jefferson, and Ronkonkoma Branches, with connecting Greenport service adjusted accordingly.
- **Montauk Branch – Crossing Renewal** – On Saturday, March 23rd, all tracks between Babylon and Montauk will be out of service for a period of 24 hours while the Lewis Road railroad crossing in Mastic Shirley is rehabilitated. Of the course of the 24-hour period, PSEG

will be piggybacking this outage to perform work along various locations on the Montauk Branch.

- **Temporary Service Adjustments:** With all tracks out of service on the Montauk Branch between Babylon and Montauk, bus service will replace train service for a period of 24-hours.

IMPACT ON FUNDING

Funding for these projects is contained in the Long Island Rail Road Operating and MTA Capital Program budget.