WOODSIDE-61st STREET & JACKSON HEIGHTS-74th STREET NEWSLETTER

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FLUSHING LINE IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

The Flushing Line Improvements Project will rehabilitate sections of the New York City Transit Flushing Line 7 between 48th Street and 72nd Street, including upgrades to the 61st Street-Woodside and 74th Street-Broadway stations.

ABOUT THE PROJECT

The New York City Transit Flushing Line is a vital artery for subway access throughout Queens and is one of the most heavily traveled routes in the subway system.

The Flushing Line Improvements Project will rehabilitate the 61st Street-Woodside Station and bring it to a state of good repair. Work at this station will include restoration of the existing track bed and repairs to the track support structure, reconstruction of island platforms, structural repairs along the mezzanine, and replacement of the existing stairs. This work will strengthen and extend the

HIGHLIGHTS FROM RECENT WORK

Escalator Installations at 74th Street-Jackson Heights Station Complete

The major work at 74th Street-Jackson Heights Station is finished, with all three escalators returned to service by the end of October. Thanks to these upgrades, the escalators will run more reliably and continue to serve riders at 74th Street-Jackson Heights for years to come.

The team has reduced the work zone at 74th Street-Jackson Heights and plans to demobilize by the end of the year.

structural life span of the station for the next 25 years.

The project will also include the replacement of three escalators at the 74th Street-Jackson Heights station, track support steel overcoating, and replacement of track baskets between 48th Street and 72nd Street.

Access to businesses and ADA accessibility will be maintained for the duration of the work. Pre-construction activities began in September 2022 with the project scheduled to be completed by 2025.

Ongoing Work Operations on 61st Street-Woodside

At 61st Street-Woodside, work continues on the replacement of the escalator connecting the street to the mezzanine at 61st Street and Roosevelt Avenue. This escalator will remain out of service through fourth quarter 2025 as the team tackles essential structural repairs. Once these repairs are complete, the old escalator will be replaced with a new, wider one, offering improved access for riders.

In addition, repairs to the express track's support steel structure are ongoing. The structural and track work at the station is expected to continue through 2025, ensuring long-term reliability and safety for commuters.



DID YOU KNOW...

- ...that Flushing is one of the most linguistically diverse places in the world, where over 300 languages are spoken?
- ...that Flushing is home to New York City's first free public school, which was established in 1875?
- ...that Flushing is a major cultural, transportation and commercial hub with the fourth-largest central business district in New York City?

CONTACT US

The MTA and its project team are making every effort to minimize impacts to the public while the Flushing Line Improvements project is ongoing. Any questions or concerns about the project can be directed to the project's community outreach team at FlushingLine@mtacd.org or 646-229-4465.

