The Flushing Line Improvements Project will rehabilitate sections of the New York City Transit Flushing Line 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 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 2026.

CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY UPDATE

7 Express Track Operations Continue

The work on the 7 express line continues. On May 3rd, the crews will test the communications-based train control signals to ensure that the track is ready for service. Over 650 linear feet of track have been replaced at 61st Street-Woodside.

The work on the express track is expected to end in June, at which point crews will shift to the Manhattan-bound local track, and finally to the Flushing-bound local track.

7 trains will continue to operate on available tracks, using the express track to provide local service.

Flushing Line express service is expected to resume once all track work is completed in 2026.



Work to improve the 7 Express Track continues

Escalator replacement at 61st Street Woodside continues

In addition to the ongoing work on the 7 express track, the escalator that provides access to the 61st Street-Woodside Station from the south side of Roosevelt Avenue is also being replaced. The current escalator will be upgraded with a new, wider model to improve accessibility. Much of this

work is taking place behind the barricades on the south side of Roosevelt Avenue to minimize disruption.

Throughout the duration of the project, pedestrian access along Roosevelt Avenue and entry to nearby businesses will continue to be maintained. The station's elevator and staircase remain open and available for use.

The escalator replacement is anticipated to be completed in the first quarter of 2026.



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 Flushing Meadows-Corona Park, which is not only larger than Central Park but also NYC's fourth largest park?
- ...more than 50,000 transit riders transfer in Flushing every weekday between the 7 line and 20 bus routes?

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.