

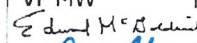




## Staff Summary



<b>Subject</b> <b>SEPTEMBER TIMETABLE &amp; TRACKWORK PROGRAMS</b>						<b>Date</b> <b>June 26, 2025</b>			
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						3	Chief Engineer 		

### PURPOSE:

This is to inform the Long Island Committee of the MTA Long Island Rail Road's plan to adjust schedules beginning September 2, 2025, through November 9, 2025.

Projects supported during this timetable to improve state of good repair and reliability include Rail and Tie Replacement between Ronkonkoma and Greenport, Track Surfacing on the Port Washington Branch, Grand Central Madison Contractor Maintenance and Wireless Cellular Installation, Amtrak East River Tunnel Rehabilitation, Hall Interlocking Expansion, Babylon Interlocking Construction, Atlantic Branch Tunnel Lighting, ADA Station Rehabilitation at Babylon, Hollis and Forest Hills Stations, and West Side Yard Track Construction.

Additionally, schedules will be temporarily adjusted to support Track and Power State of Good Repair work on the Atlantic Branch, Rail Replacement and Concrete Tie Installation on the West Hempstead Branch, and a series of Switch Installations near Ronkonkoma Station to improve operations and reliability.

## **SEPTEMBER 2 TIMETABLE CHANGE**

### *Notable Service Adjustments to Support Trackwork*

- **Port Washington Branch** – One of two main tracks will be taken out of service between Bayside and Great Neck during the midday/weekday period while we perform track surfacing and maintenance activities to maintain state of good repair and provide a smoother, quieter ride for our customers. Eastbound train schedules will be adjusted up to 2” later, while westbound train schedules will be adjusted up to 9” later. Half hourly service intervals will be restored at Mets-Willets Point, Murray Hill, Broadway, Auburndale, and Plandome.
- **Ronkonkoma/Greenport Branch** – Bus service will replace train service between Ronkonkoma and Greenport during the midday/weekday period while rail and ties are replaced to maintain a state of good repair.

## **TRACK WORK PROGRAMS**

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

- **Atlantic Branch – Track and Power Maintenance** - On the weekends of August 9-10, and August 16-17, all tracks will be out service between Jamaica and Atlantic Terminal in order to replace two switches, perform rail and 3<sup>rd</sup> rail replacements, drainage and other infrastructure improvements to maintain this portion of our system to a state of good repair and improve reliability.
  - **Temporary Service Adjustments:** With all tracks out of service between Jamaica and Atlantic Terminal, there will be no LIRR train service to East New York, Nostrand Avenue or Atlantic Terminal. NYCT will honor LIRR fares.
- **West Hempstead Branch – Concrete Tie and Rail Replacement** – On the weekends of September 13-14, and September 20-21, one of two main tracks on the Montauk Branch between Jamaica and Rockville Centre and also the single main track on the West Hempstead Branch will be out of service to support a series of concrete tie and rail replacements in the vicinity of Valley Stream and on the easternmost portion of the West Hempstead Branch. Installing the new concrete ties on the West Hempstead Branch will result in a smoother ride for customers, offer greater reliability versus traditional wooden ties and provide a longer lifespan, thus reducing the need for future outages.
  - **Temporary Service Adjustments:** With one of two main tracks out of service on the Montauk Branch between Jamaica and Rockville Centre. Service will be reduced to hourly in both directions between Penn Station and Babylon for the

majority of these 48-hour weekends. Limited semi-express service will operate from Penn Station to connect with Patchogue and Speonk diesel service in Babylon. Additionally, bus service will replace train service on the West Hempstead Branch between Valley Stream and West Hempstead for a period of 48 hours. LIRR customers should expect adjusted schedules on all Babylon/Montauk Branch trains while the work is being performed.

- **Ronkonkoma Branch – Switch Installations** - On the weekends of September 13-14, and September 20-21, one of two station tracks in Ronkonkoma will be out of service while new switches are installed and additional state of good repair infrastructure maintenance is performed to improve operational flexibility and reliability.
  - **Temporary Service Adjustments:** With one of two station tracks out of service in Ronkonkoma, service will be reduced to hourly at Brentwood, Central Islip and Ronkonkoma, with buses replacing all train service east of Ronkonkoma. Train service will remain at half hourly intervals to/from Deer Park Station.

#### **IMPACT ON FUNDING**

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