Staff Summary



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NOVEMBER TIMETABLE & FALL TRACKWORK PROGRAMS						October 6, 2025			
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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 November 10, 2025, through March 22, 2026.

Projects supported during this timetable to improve state of good repair and reliability include Grand Central Madison Contractor Maintenance and Wireless Cellular Installation, Amtrak East River Tunnel Rehabilitation, Hall Interlocking Expansion, 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 tunnel construction at Hollis Station as part of the ADA station rehabilitation, a signal cutover at Divide Interlocking near Hicksville, and track maintenance between Speonk and Montauk.

NOVEMBER 10 TIMETABLE CHANGE

Service Improvements

 An additional pre-PM peak train will operate daily from Penn Station to Ronkonkoma to provide additional capacity. Beginning on November 10th, a newly implemented Ronkonkoma train will depart Penn Station at 3:20pm, making stops at Jamaica, Hicksville, Bethpage, Farmingdale, Wyandanch, Deer Park, Brentwood, Central Islip and Ronkonkoma.

Notable Service Adjustments to Support Trackwork

- **Port Washington Branch** Schedules will be adjusted to normal intervals with the conclusion of track surfacing between Bayside and Great Neck.
- Ronkonkoma/Greenport Branch Midday/weekday service will be restored with the conclusion of state of good repair work.

TRACK WORK PROGRAMS

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

- Main Line Tunnel Construction Hollis ADA Station Rehabilitation Project On the weekends of November 1-2, and November 15-16, the eastbound local track between Jamaica and Queens Village will be taken out of service for a period of 48 hours while tunnel construction is performed at Hollis Station.
 - Temporary Service Adjustments: With the eastbound local track out of service between Jamaica and Queens Village, eastbound trains will bypass stops at Hollis and Queens Village. Customers travelling to/from Hollis and Queens Village Stations will be accommodated by NYCT/MTA bus, who will cross honor LIRR fares.
- Main Line Signal Cutover On the weekend of November 8-9, all tracks in the vicinity of Hicksville Station will be taken out of service for a period of approximately 48 hours while a signal cutover is performed at Divide Interlocking. The upgrades to the signal system in Divide is a necessary step which will allow for additional switches to be installed in the future providing greater operational flexibility through Hicksville station.
 - Temporary Service Adjustments: With all tracks out of service through Hicksville Station, two-hourly dual mode service will operate between Penn Station and Ronkonkoma in both directions via the Central Branch. Half hourly MU service will operate between Penn Station and Mineola, where customers will transfer for bus service to Hicksville, Syosset, Cold Spring Harbor, and Huntington. Connecting Port Jefferson diesel service at Huntington will be reduced to two-hourly. Carle Place, Westbury and Bethpage Stations will be closed for the duration of this 48-hour

weekend. NICE bus will cross honor LIRR customers travelling to/from Carle Place and Westbury Stations.

- Montauk Branch Track Maintenance On November 16th, the single main track between Speonk and Montauk will be taken out of service for approximately 30 hours while track maintenance is performed to ensure system state of good repair.
- Jaggers Path Grade Crossing: Timber and Crossing Tie Replacement & Surface TC82 Defect
- Old Country Rd. Grade Crossing: Concrete Mod. Replacement
- Napeague Meadow Rd. Grade Crossing: Thermite 6 Joint Elimination & Surfacing
- Drainage and Surfacing at Multiple Locations
 - Temporary Service Adjustments: With the single main track out of service between Speonk and Montauk, bus service will replace train service in both directions for a period of approximately 30 hours.

IMPACT ON FUNDING

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