

Staff Summary



Subject THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY SERVICE						Date November 3, 2025			
Departments SR. VICE PRESIDENT – OPERATIONS						Vendor Name			
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Department Head Signature 						Contract Manager Signature			
Project Manager Name									
Board Action						Internal Approval			
Order	To	Date	Approval	Info	Other	Order	Approval	Order	Approval
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						2	VP MW 	5	CTO
						3	Chief Engineer		

PURPOSE:

This is to inform the Long Island Committee of the MTA Long Island Rail Road's plan to provide added service for the 2025 Thanksgiving Day Parade in New York City.

HOLIDAY SERVICE

Thanksgiving Day Program (Thursday, November 27, 2025)

To help usher in the 2025 holiday season and provide a better travel experience for those attending the parade in NYC, the Long Island Rail Road Thanksgiving Day program includes six extra westbound trains (4 to Penn Station and 2 to GCM) on Thanksgiving morning and nine early afternoon eastbound extra trains (4 from Penn Station and 5 from GCM) for those returning home from the parade or heading to Long Island for Thanksgiving gatherings.

The westbound Thanksgiving morning extras operate as follows: three from Babylon, two from Ronkonkoma, and one from Farmingdale. The eastbound Thanksgiving afternoon extras operate as follows: four to Babylon, three to Ronkonkoma, one to Farmingdale, and one to Huntington.

IMPACT ON FUNDING

Funding for these projects is contained in the Long Island Rail Road Operating budget.