



SECOND AVENUE SUBWAY

PHASE 2 East Harlem

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

125 ST STATION AREA

SUMMER 2026

CONSTRUCTION NOTICE

CONTROLLED PRODUCTION BLASTING

125 ST AND LEXINGTON AV BEGINS JUNE 19, 2026

PLEASE BE ADVISED:

To construct the new Second Avenue Subway Q Station at 125 St and Lexington Av, the contractor will excavate using supervised controlled blast methods. Following successful initial test blasting that confirmed an effective blast design, controlled blasting at the Lexington Av and 125 St work site will **begin June 19, 2026**. Production blasting will continue until the end of 2027. Blasts will occur **intermittently Monday through Saturday, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.**, aiming to avoid transit rush hours.



Keeping you safe:

- All delivery and handling of explosive materials will be done in collaboration with FDNY.
- The controlled blast program will proceed in accordance with FDNY and OSHA regulations.
- Vibration Compliance will be reviewed by FDNY Explosives Unit, the Blasting Consultant, and the MTA, and adjusted as necessary.
- FDNY licensed personnel will conduct all blasting.
- Noise levels will remain within the approved NYC DEP limits.
- Vibration levels, integrity of adjacent structures, including the existing 125 St Lexington Av station, and noise levels will be monitored continuously throughout the project.

What to expect:

5-minute warning (Blaster preparing to blast)	One (1) long signal (10 seconds long) 5 minutes prior to the blast signal.
1-minute warning (Blaster ready)	Two (2) short signals (5 seconds long) – <i>Blast as soon as possible</i> Blaster in charge may elect to temporarily close adjacent pedestrian and roadway traffic for a short period of time during the blasting.
All clear	Three (3) short signals (5 seconds long) Pedestrian and roadway traffic resumes.

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