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PROGRESS CONTINUES ON FEDERALLY-MANDATED PTC; SERVICE ADJUSTMENTS REQUIRED EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 14, 2018

10% Rail Discount During Adjustments to Advance Positive Train Control

NEWARK, NJ – Progress continues on the installation of Positive Train Control (PTC) equipment on NJ TRANSIT's rail fleet, to meet federal year-end milestones, requiring NJ TRANSIT to make a final set of rail service adjustments. The temporary discontinuation of some trains and modified times and origin/destination points are necessary to accommodate installation of PTC hardware on additional locomotives and cab control cars.

"Our customers will always be our first priority, and their experience must be safe and consistent. We thoughtfully reviewed all trains that are part of this adjustment and found the most reasonable alternatives," said NJ TRANSIT Executive Director Kevin Corbett.

To proactively address the potential service adjustment impacts, NJ TRANSIT will offer a 10-percent discount on all NJ TRANSIT rail tickets and passes for travel in November, December and January while the mandated hardware installation is completed.

Beginning Sunday, October 14th, select trains will be temporarily discontinued or have changes of origin/destination. This will impact customers along the Northeast Corridor, North Jersey Coast Line, Morris & Essex Lines, Montclair-Boonton, and Main and Bergen County Lines. Other trains throughout the system will have schedule and/or station stop adjustments. These schedule adjustments



are temporary, and we anticipate beginning to restore regular service in mid-January 2019.

"As a daily rail commuter myself, I fully understand the impact this has on people's lives," said Executive Director Corbett. "That's why I thought it was so important to offer the 10% discount to our loyal rail customers. **I'm pleased to report that we have made substantial progress on PTC, having gone from just 12% complete to more than 66% complete in the last seven months alone**. Further adjustments are necessary as we continue to accelerate the installation schedule. Failure to meet the federal requirements by December 31st is not an option."

Please visit njtransit.com/ptc for project updates and a complete list of service adjustments by rail line.

Important Note: Customers are strongly encouraged to view the full rail timetables on njtransit.com for all travel options as schedule adjustments, including departure/arrival times and station stops, will be made throughout the system. Schedules will be available online later this month

All train numbers and times noted below are listed as they will appear on October 14. New schedules will be available online by the end of September

Northeast Corridor (NEC)

INBOUND to Newark/New York (temporarily discontinued)

- Train 3832, the 10:42 a.m. arrival at PSNY from Trenton
 - Alternate trains for Rahway-PSNY: Train 3722 departs Jersey Ave. at 9:25 a.m. and makes additional stops at Rahway, Linden and Elizabeth. North Jersey Coast Line Train 3232 departs Long Branch at 9:13 a.m. and makes an additional stop at North Elizabeth at 10:24 a.m.
 - Alternate trains for local travel: Train 3934 departs Trenton at 8:56 a.m. with transfer to Train 3722 at New Brunswick. Train 3834 departs Trenton at 9:52 a.m.

<u>OUTBOUND from Newark/New York</u> (temporarily discontinued)

- Train 3703, the 6:04 a.m. departure from PSNY to New Brunswick
 - Alternate train is Train 3815 which departs PSNY at 6:11 a.m. to Trenton (does not stop at Jersey Avenue)

- For Jersey Avenue service, Train 3701 at 5:41 a.m. from PSNY or Train 3705 at 6:31 a.m.
- Train 3857, the 3:42 p.m. departure from PSNY to Trenton
 - Alternate trains for Newark Airport-Rahway: Train 3509 departs PSNY at 3:20 p.m.
 Train 3595 will depart PSNY at 3:57 p.m.
 - Alternate trains for Metropark-Trenton: Train 3855 departs PSNY at 3:30 p.m. Later option for Metropark-Jersey Ave is Train 3721 which departs PSNY at 4:07 p.m. Later option for Princeton Junction, Hamilton and Trenton is Train 3943 which departs PSNY at 4:13 p.m.
- All Princeton Dinky rail service will be replaced by buses on weekdays and weekends.

North Jersey Coast Line (NJCL)

INBOUND to Newark/New York (temporarily discontinued)

- Train 3500, the 7:00 a.m. arrival at PSNY from South Amboy
 - Alternate for local trips: Train 3208 departs Long Branch at 4:52 a.m. and makes all local stops to Rahway. Transfer to NEC 3702 for local travel.
 - Alternate Rahway-PSNY: Train 3812 departs Trenton at 5:21 a.m. and makes local stops.
 - Alternate South Amboy to PSNY: Train 3310 departs Bay Head at 4:54 a.m. and makes all stops to Avenel, then expresses to Newark Penn Station and continues to PSNY.

OUTBOUND from Newark/New York (temporarily discontinued)

- Train 3507, the 7:46 a.m. departure from PSNY to South Amboy
 - Alternate service is Train 3223 which departs PSNY at 7:44 a.m. to Long Branch.

Morris & Essex Lines (M&E)

INBOUND to Hoboken (temporarily discontinued)

- Train 330, the 6:01 p.m. arrival at Hoboken from Summit
 - Train 432, the 6:19 p.m. arrival in Hoboken from Gladstone, operates 19 minutes earlier on the Gladstone Branch then replaces Train 330's schedule east of Summit.
- Train 332, the 6:57 p.m. arrival at Hoboken from Summit
 - Earlier option Train 6664 departs Summit at 5:52 p.m. with transfer at Newark Broad St. to Train 880 for service to Hoboken.
 - Later option Train 334 departs Summit at 6:46 p.m. to Hoboken.

- Train 436, the 10:38 p.m. arrival at Hoboken from Gladstone
 - Earlier option Train 434 departs Peapack at 8:06 p.m.
 - Later option Train 438 departs Gladstone at 9:24 p.m.
- Train 684, the 12:28 a.m. arrival at Hoboken from Dover
 - West of Summit alternate: Train 682 departs Dover at 10:29 p.m.
 - East of Summit alternate: Train 440 departs Summit at 11:32 p.m. or Train 442 departs Summit at 12:36 a.m.
- All weekend Gladstone Branch rail service will be replaced by buses.
 - Gladstone Branch trains will operate on Thanksgiving, Martin Luther King Jr. and President's Day. Buses will operate on Christmas and New Year's Day.
 - Trains will operate on a special schedule on Saturday, October 20th for the Far Hills Race Meeting (Steeplechase)

OUTBOUND from Hoboken (temporarily discontinued)

- Train 303, the 5:59 a.m. departure from Hoboken to Summit
 - Earlier option Train 871 departs Hoboken at 5:38 a.m. to Hackettstown.
 - Later option Train 607 departs Hoboken at 6:18 a.m. to Dover.
- Train 643, the 4:42 p.m. departure from Hoboken to Dover
 - Earlier option Train 1079 will depart Hoboken at 4:33 p.m. to Hackettstown with transfer at Newark Broad Street for service to stations between East Orange through Morris Plains.
 - Later option for stations west of Summit Train 645 departs Hoboken at 5:02 p.m. to Dover.
 - Later option for Millburn, Short Hills, and Summit: Train 429 departs Hoboken at 5:06 p.m.
- Train 467, the 6:07 p.m. departure from Hoboken to Murray Hill
 - Alternate for Millburn, Short Hills and Murray Hill only: Train 435 departs Hoboken at 6:01 p.m.
 - Earlier option for all other stations Train 337 departs Hoboken at 5:39 pm. to Summit.
 - Later option for all other stations Train 657 departs Hoboken at 6:36 p.m. to Dover.
- Train 441, the 7:09 p.m. departure from Hoboken to Gladstone
 - Earlier option Train 439 departs Hoboken at 6:50 p.m. to Gladstone
 - Later option Train 443 departs Hoboken at 7:44 p.m. to Gladstone with express service between Newark Broad St. and Summit.

Other M&E Adjustments

- Train 301, which departs Hoboken at 4:55 a.m. and arrives in Summit at 5:46 a.m., will operate 10 minutes earlier.
- Train 300, which departs Summit at 5:23 a.m. and arrives at Hoboken at 6:11 a.m., will operate 18 minutes earlier.
- Train 432, the 6:19 p.m. arrival in Hoboken from Gladstone operates 19 minutes earlier and replaces Train 330.
- Train 813, the 6:34 p.m. departure from Hoboken to Lake Hopatcong, will terminate at Dover and be renumbered as Train 657 departing Hoboken at 6:36 p.m. As alternates, customers may take Train 1011, the 6:29 p.m. departure from Hoboken to Lake Hopatcong or Train 1085, the 7:22 p.m. departure from Hoboken to Hackettstown.
- Train 341, the 7:03 p.m. departure from Hoboken to Summit, will operate 31 minutes later and depart Hoboken at 7:34 p.m.

Montclair-Boonton Line

OUTBOUND from Hoboken (temporarily discontinued)

- Train 209, the 6:11 a.m. departure from Hoboken to MSU
 - No earlier option.
 - Later option Train 211 departs Hoboken at 6:42 a.m.

Main Line/Bergen County Line

INBOUND to Hoboken (temporarily discontinued)

- Train 1146, the 6:37 a.m. arrival at Hoboken from Suffern
 - Alternate trains for Suffern-Ridgewood: Train 1102 departs Suffern at 5:21 a.m. via the Main Line; Train 1104 departs Suffern at 6:07 a.m.
 - Alternate train for Glen Rock-Rutherford: Train 1148 departs Suffern via Bergen County Line at 5:46 a.m.
- Train 1218, the 3:05 p.m. arrival in Hoboken from Waldwick
 - Train 1118 departs Suffern 48 minutes earlier at 2:00 p.m. to replace Train 1218, making all Main Line stops to Hoboken.
 - Train 1172 departs Suffern at 2:12 p.m., making all Bergen County Line stops to Hoboken.

OUTBOUND from Hoboken (temporarily discontinued)

- Train 1105, the 7:00 a.m. departure from Hoboken to Suffern
 - Earlier option Train 1103 departs Hoboken at 5:48 a.m.
 - Later option Train 1107 departs Hoboken at 7:33 a.m.

- Train 1155, the 12:39 p.m. departure from Hoboken to Suffern
 - Alternate train Ridgewood-Suffern: Train 1111 departs Hoboken at 12:39 p.m. via the Main Line to Suffern.
 - Alternate train for Rutherford, Broadway, Radburn and Glen Rock: Train 47 departs Hoboken at 12:42 p.m.

Other Main Line/Bergen County Line Adjustments

- Train 1245, which departs Hoboken at 6:52 a.m. and arrives at Waldwick at 7:38 a.m., will operate 32 minutes later and be renumbered as Train 1247.
- Train 1118, which departs Suffern at 2:48 p.m. and arrives at Hoboken at 3:59 p.m., will operate 48 minutes earlier and replace Train 1218.
- Train 1158, which departs Suffern at 8:04 a.m. and arrives at Hoboken at 9:12 a.m., will originate at Waldwick at 8:18 a.m. As alternates, customers from Suffern through Allendale can use Train 1156, the 7:43 a.m. departure from Suffern, Train 1160, the 8:35 a.m. from Suffern or Train 54, which departs Ramsey Rt. 17 Station at 8:23 a.m.
- Train 1131, the 10:55 p.m. departure from Hoboken to Suffern, will terminate at Ridgewood. As alternates, customers may take Train 1183, the 11:17 p.m. departure from Hoboken, for service to Ridgewood and points west. For local travel, customers may take Train 1131 from Hoboken at 10:55 p.m. to Ridgewood and transfer to Train 1183.

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