

NY Penn Station Access Infrastructure Project

Overview

Amtrak is coordinating with the Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) to support the [Penn Station Access Project](#) on the Hell Gate Line. This project will transform the region by allowing Metro-North trains to travel to New York Penn Station for the first time. In addition to providing track access for the work, Amtrak is investing \$500 million into the project.



Project Benefits

When completed in 2027, Amtrak and Metro-North customers will benefit from improved reliability, faster travel times and more travel options.

The overall Penn Station Access Project will deliver major infrastructure upgrades for Amtrak-owned tracks on the Hell Gate Line in New York. This work includes:

- Adding eight miles of new tracks (expanding to a four-track railroad in most sections)
- Rehabilitating 11 miles of existing tracks
- Rehabilitating four bridges
- Reconfiguring interlockings
- Modernizing signal, power and communications infrastructure
- Building four new Metro-North stations in the Bronx

Service Impacts

Amtrak will be providing multiple track outages to support MTA crews and contractors working on the Hell Gate Line infrastructure upgrades and bringing the line into a state of good repair.

The first track outage is scheduled from early March-early Sept. 2023. These outages will require temporary Amtrak schedule adjustments, with the goal of reducing potential delays to our customers.

One track must be taken out of service at a time to complete this work. Since the Hell Gate Line features only two passenger tracks in most places, removing one from service will require north and southbound Amtrak trains to operate on a single track in this area.

The first set of schedule changes will go into effect on March 6, 2023. While the planned schedule changes are designed to help keep Amtrak trains operating as close to on time as feasible, potential delays of 15-30 minutes are possible.

Additional information will be shared on Amtrak's [Service Alerts and Notices page](#), as well as a dedicated project landing page on [Amtrak.com](#) that will launch this spring.

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