

## Christie Administration Announces NJ Transit to Resume Service on Four Rail Lines Sunday Morning

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**Trenton, NJ** – Marking key milestones in NJ TRANSIT's continued recovery, the Christie Administration announced this evening that four additional rail lines would resume service effective Sunday morning. Coming on the heels of the Northeast Corridor's return to New York Penn Station on Friday morning, the announcements continue the statewide agency's service restoration efforts following the significant damage incurred by Hurricane Sandy earlier this week. Effective Sunday morning:

North Jersey Coast Line will resume limited service to New York Penn Station, operating between Woodbridge and New York.

Raritan Valley Line service will resume limited service between Raritan and Newark Penn Station.

The Main/Port Jervis Line will resume limited service, with trains originating and terminating in Secaucus.

The Atlantic City Line will resume normal service, operating between Atlantic City and Philadelphia.

Special schedules detailing this restored service can be accessed by visiting [njtransit.com](#).

"These announcements mark important milestones in NJ TRANSIT's ongoing recovery efforts," said Transportation Commissioner and NJ TRANSIT Board Chairman James Simpson. "While this is great news for our customers, the road to recovery continues. NJ TRANSIT crews continue working around the clock to restore service for our customers."

NJ TRANSIT advises customers of the following:

**Rail Service:**

**Northeast Corridor:** Remains in service between Trenton Transit Center and New York Penn Station, with the exception of service to Jersey Avenue. Service continues to operate on a special schedule.

**North Jersey Coast Line:** On Sunday, November 4, service will resume between Woodbridge and New York Penn Station, with the exception of Avenel. Service will operate on a weekend schedule.

Rail service between Bay Head and Woodbridge remains suspended. An assessment of rail infrastructure has revealed significant damage across the system, including:

Morgan Drawbridge in South Amboy sustained damage from boats and a trailer that collided into the bridge.

There are wires and trees down, as well as rail washouts (no ballast under the tracks), between South Amboy and Bay Head.

**Main/Port Jervis Line:** On Sunday, November 4, service will resume operating on a special schedule. The Main Line will operate from Suffern to Secaucus making all local stops. The Port Jervis Line will operate from Port Jervis to Secaucus making all local stops via Main Line. Service between Secaucus and Hoboken remains suspended until further notice.

**Raritan Valley Line:** On Sunday, November 4, service will resume between Raritan and Newark Penn Station only, operating on weekend schedule. On Monday, November 5, service will resume between Raritan and Newark Penn Station only, operating on special schedule. Rail service between High Bridge and Raritan remains suspended

**Atlantic City Line:** On Sunday, November 4, service will resume operating on a Sunday schedule on November 4 and weekday schedule on November 5.

**Bergen Line, Pascack Valley Line, Montclair-Boonton Line and the Morris & Essex Lines:** Service remains suspended. An assessment of rail infrastructure has revealed significant damage across the system, including: There is major damage due to downed trees between Summit and Millburn, as well as in Denville and Morristown. There is also overhead wire damage, including signal wires, with support poles down in Lyons and Bernardsville. In addition, rail washouts (no ballast under the tracks) occurred at Kearny Junction, where Midtown Direct service connects to the Northeast Corridor. Rail washouts also occurred at several tracks in Hoboken Terminal and at Netcong Station.

Elsewhere on the rail system, local power outages have prevented NJ TRANSIT rail operations from being able to further test crossing gates and operating signals. In addition, hundreds of downed trees have fallen across the rail system, which have caused damage to overhead wires and signal wires. Several rail stations have sustained flood damage, including Hoboken Terminal.

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A number of rail stations throughout the system may have limited lighting and no elevator and escalator service due to power problems as a result of Hurricane Sandy. As a result, Secaucus Junction will not be ADA accessible until further notice. Customers are urged to use caution in and around all rail stations.

Additionally, NJ TRANSIT encourages customers to travel outside of the morning and afternoon peak periods to avoid delays and crowding.

**Bus Service:**

Bus service is now operating on 90% of NJ TRANSIT bus routes. For details regarding operating routes, visit [njtransit.com](http://njtransit.com)

Bus service on routes not listed remains suspended until further notice. Power outages in local communities have resulted in the loss of traffic control devices critical to safe operation in some areas. Downed tree limbs and power lines continue to make many roads impassable. Personnel are in the field reviewing and assessing these conditions in order to ensure that service is restored as soon as it becomes safe to do so.

**Monthly Pass Extension:**

NJ TRANSIT has extending the validity period for October monthly passes until Friday, November 9 for customer convenience. z

**Service Updates:**

For the latest travel information, customers should listen to broadcast traffic reports, visit or access NJ TRANSIT's Twitter feed at @NJ\_TRANSIT. Additionally, NJ TRANSIT will provide the most current service information via the My Transit alert system ([www.njtransit.com/mytransit](http://www.njtransit.com/mytransit)), which delivers travel advisories for your specific trip to your cell phone, PDA or pager. Service information is also available by calling (973) 275-5555.

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