

Wood Street Station to be Closed October 9-23

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE (October 5, 2023) – Wood Street Station will be closed for two weeks, from October 9 to October 23, to facilitate the removal of all four escalators at the station and to accommodate an ongoing light-rail construction project, Pittsburgh Regional Transit announced today.

From October 9 to October 20, rail cars will continue to serve all other stations in the Central Business District and no delays are expected.

From 8 p.m. on October 20 to October 23, inbound rail service will terminate at Penn Station (the bus and rail station along the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. East Busway).

Riders traveling to Gateway, North Side, or Allegheny stations should exit light-rail vehicles at Penn Station and board a free shuttle bus to Gateway Station. From Gateway, a rail car will operate to North Side and Allegheny stations.

Meanwhile, during this time outbound rail service from the North Shore toward downtown will terminate at Gateway Station. Riders continuing toward the South Hills should exit the rail car and board a shuttle bus from the temporary stop outside the station. The shuttle bus will drop riders off at Penn Station to board rail cars heading to the South Hills.

Riders should allow for 30-45 minutes of additional travel time.

The bus stop located on Liberty Avenue outside Wood Street Station has been moved to Liberty Avenue past Strawberry Way to accommodate the station's cleaning, a project that began in July. Shuttle buses will serve that temporary stop.

The replacement of the escalators at Wood Street Station is part of a \$13.5 million project to replace nine escalators at three downtown light-rail stations. The escalators at Wood Street Station are expected to be fully installed by February 2024 and will remain out of service while they're being replaced. The stairs and elevators will remain open.

Riders with questions are encouraged to contact Customer Service by calling 412-442-2000, on Twitter @PghTransitCare, or via live chat at <u>www.ridePRT.org</u>.