



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE (May 23, 2022) - Port Authority of Allegheny County will begin testing light-rail vehicles on the reconstructed Red Line after regularly scheduled service ends tonight. If testing is successful, the Red Line could reopen as early as Tuesday.

Light-rail vehicles have been unable to use a portion of the Red Line since February 4, when the Saw Mill Run Boulevard Bridge unexpectedly shifted after water seeped into the concrete support structure and froze during a winter storm.

While the repairs were ongoing, Port Authority expedited two capital projects that would have required the closure of the Red Line later this year. That work included repairing portions of Fallowfield Station in Pittsburgh's Beechview neighborhood and replacing several sections of light-rail tracks nearby.

Once repairs were complete to the Saw Mill Run Boulevard Bridge, buses returned to using the span on May 14. The additional track work, however, prevented light-rail cars from doing the same.

Port Authority will notify the public if the Red Line is able to reopen on Tuesday. Shuttles will remain on standby in case testing is not successful.

For more information, Port Authority's Customer Service team is available from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. on weekdays and 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on weekends and holidays by calling 412-442-2000, on Twitter @pghtransitcare or via live chat at www.PortAuthority.org.

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