

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE (April 22, 2021) – Port Authority will close the Monongahela Incline for routine inspections beginning Wednesday morning.

Port Authority will be performing brake and load testing under the supervision of inspectors from the Pennsylvania Department of Labor and Industry. The incline is expected to reopen in the afternoon of Friday, April 30.

Shuttle buses will operate between the upper and lower stations during the closure. The frequency of the shuttles will depend on employee availability.

From the start of service until 8 p.m., riders at the lower station will board shuttle buses at the shelter behind Station Square Station. From 8 p.m. until the end of regular incline service, riders at the lower station will board shuttle buses at the bus stop at East Carson Street opposite Station Square Station.

Riders at the upper station will board shuttle buses on Grandview Avenue opposite Shiloh Street from the beginning of service through the end of each service day. Signs will be posted at the upper and lower stations directing customers to the appropriate shuttle stops.

In addition to shuttle buses, the 40-Mt. Washington bus route also will be available to riders throughout the duration of the closure. The 40-Mt. Washington serves the nearby Smithfield Street Bridge at Station Square bus stop.

Additionally, to accommodate the shuttle routing, the Wabash Tunnel will remain open in the outbound direction only for the duration of the incline closure.

First required in 2013, brake and load testing is conducted every seven years to ensure the incline operates safely and efficiently at maximum capacity. The inspection was delayed last year due to Covid-19.

Riders with questions are encouraged to contact Customer Service at 412-442-2000, on Twitter @PghTransitCare or via live chat at www.portauthority.org.

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