

<u>FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE</u> (February 28, 2023) – Pittsburgh Regional Transit will restart construction activities inside the Mt. Lebanon Transit Tunnel beginning next week.

The \$5.1 million project to update the emergency ventilation system is intended to reduce both the moisture inside the tunnel and noise the fans create.

Beginning Monday, March 6, contractors will start replacing conduit on the inbound side of the tunnel weekdays from 8 p.m. to 4:30 a.m.

Red Line riders traveling both inbound and outbound will board light rail vehicles on the outbound platforms of Mt. Lebanon Station and Dormont Junction from 8 p.m. until the end of service each weekday. The inbound platform will be open when the contractors are not working.

Contractors will install the new fans this fall with the full project expected to be completed by early next year. Any construction activities that impact residents, businesses or riders will be announced in advance.

PRT began work inside the tunnel, which spans Mt. Lebanon and Dormont, in January 2022. The project has been delayed several months due to supply chain issues and the discovery that metal conduit inside the tunnel was corroded. The conduit needed to be replaced before work could resume.

For project schedule updates visit the project webpage at www.rideprt.org/MtLeboTunnel.

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

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