



## ***Monongahela Incline to Close for Scheduled Maintenance***

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE (September 23, 2025)** - Pittsburgh Regional Transit will temporarily close the Monongahela Incline from Monday, September 29 through Friday, October 3 so crews can complete scheduled maintenance work.

During this time, both the haul and safety cables will be replaced simultaneously to maintain the safe and reliable operation of the 155-year-old incline, the oldest of its kind in the United States.

The haul cable is used to propel the incline cars, which counterbalance each other as they climb and descend Mt. Washington. The haul cable was last replaced in April 2021.

The safety cable – and a powerful braking system – provide an additional layer of safety should the haul cable ever fail. The safety cable was last replaced in November 2024.

Both cables can carry approximately 87.5 tons, or 175,000 pounds.

As part of PRT's commitment to safety, the Monongahela Incline undergoes a multi-point safety check before opening to the public every day. It is also inspected by the Pennsylvania Department of Labor and Industry at least twice a year. Additionally, both cables are inspected annually by a certified third-party engineering specialist.

To accommodate riders traveling to and from Mt. Washington, PRT encourages riders to use the 40-Mt. Washington bus route or shuttle buses, which will operate between the bus stop adjacent to Station Square Station and the upper incline station.

Riders with questions or in need of assistance are encouraged to contact Customer Service at 412-442-2000, on X (formerly Twitter) @PghTransitCare, or via live chat at [www.ridePRT.org](http://www.ridePRT.org).

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