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<u>FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE</u> (February 10, 2022) - Water that penetrated a portion of the concrete support structure of the Saw Mill Run Boulevard Bridge and expanded when temperatures plummeted below freezing is likely what caused the span to shift several inches last week, Port Authority engineers and consultants have determined.

The bridge remains stable but will continue to remain closed for several weeks until repairs can be made. A more accurate timeline for repairs is expected to be released next week.

Port Authority closed the bridge on Friday, February 4, immediately after an employee noticed an abnormally large gap at a joint on the deck of the bridge.

While motorists traveling under the bridge on Saw Mill Run Blvd. should not be impacted, the closure of the bridge has greatly impacted service on Port Authority's Red Line, requiring all Red Line rail cars to travel via the Blue Line.

A rail shuttle is operating between Overbrook Junction and Potomac Station, and a bus shuttle is operating between Potomac Station and Station Square. Both are running approximately every 20 to 30 minutes. Neither shuttle is collecting fares.

Riders with questions about the detours or shuttle bus service are encouraged to contact Port Authority Customer Service by calling 412-442-2000, on Twitter @PghTransitCare or via live chat at www.PortAuthority.org.

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