



**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE** (February 9, 2024) – Work in the transit tunnels under downtown Pittsburgh is expected to disrupt light-rail service nearly every weekend through the end of March, Pittsburgh Regional Transit announced today.

Riders should expect disruptions from the South Hills to downtown Pittsburgh and the North Shore and allow for at least 30 minutes of additional travel time.

The work will be occurring in the tunnels between Steel Plaza and Gateway stations. It is a continuation of a project to repair and replace the plinth – the concrete beam upon which the light-rail tracks sit – that began in late 2022.

Crews are scheduled each weekend through the end of March except for the weekend of St. Patrick’s Day. Contractors will begin working each Friday at 8 p.m. and conclude by the start of service each Monday morning. Wood Street Station will be closed during work hours.

Rail cars coming from the South Hills will serve First Avenue and Steel Plaza stations before continuing to Penn Station, the otherwise inactive rail station located across the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. East Busway from The Pennsylvanian.

Riders traveling to Gateway, North Side or Allegheny stations should exit rail vehicles at Penn Station and board a free shuttle bus to Gateway Station. From Gateway, a rail car will operate to North Side and Allegheny stations.

From Allegheny Station, rail cars will serve North Side and Gateway stations. Riders continuing toward the South Hills should exit rail cars at Gateway, board a shuttle bus from the temporary stop outside the station, and travel to Penn Station, where they can board a rail car to the South Hills.

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](http://www.ridePRT.org).

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