



Pittsburgh Regional Transit

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE** (February 8, 2024) – Repairs to the Monongahela Incline are nearly complete and are awaiting state inspection, Pittsburgh Regional Transit announced today.

Employees from the state Department of Labor & Industry will be on-site Friday morning to inspect repairs that were made to the 154-year-old funicular over the last five weeks.

Pending a successful inspection and the completion of any final adjustments, PRT expects to reopen the incline this weekend.

PRT closed the historic incline on January 2 after a failure of the electrical and mechanical systems that slow the cars as they near the stations.

The Monongahela Incline was opened in 1870, a decade before Thomas Edison received his patent for the lightbulb. It has transported millions of riders up and down Mt. Washington over the years.

Since the incline has been out of service, PRT has operated a shuttle bus between the lower and upper stations. The 40-Mt. Washington and 43-Bailey bus routes also travel between downtown Pittsburgh and Mt. Washington.

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