



***PRT Taking Steps to Reopen East Busway, No Timeline Set***

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE (October 15, 2024)** - Pittsburgh Regional Transit is taking several steps to ensure the safe reopening of the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. East Busway following a landslide last week.

PRT brought in a geotechnical engineering firm that has been monitoring the area where tons of mud and trees fell onto the busway from the hillside above. The agency is also procuring concrete jersey barriers to place on the shoulder of the busway to guard against additional landslides and a mobile traffic light to facilitate single-lane operations, if needed.

PRT closed a portion of the busway - from the Strip District to Oakland - following the landslide early Friday morning. There is currently no timeline as to when it may reopen.

Until the busway reopens, PRT buses will continue to detour around the closed portion.

Inbound bus routes that use the busway are detouring inbound from the Neville Street ramp through North Oakland, Bloomfield, and the Strip District, and getting back onto the busway at 26th Street.

Outbound buses are exiting the busway at 26th Street and detouring through the Strip District, Bloomfield, and North Oakland, and getting back onto the busway at Neville Street. The detour is adding approximately 15 to 20 minutes to each trip.

Riders with questions about service or detours are encouraged to call PRT Customer Service at 412-442-2000.

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