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SEPTA Service Adjustments Planned for Multiple Regional Rail Lines due to Amtrak Track Switch Replacement Project Beginning Sun., Sept. 30 *Service Impacts on Cynwyd, Chestnut Hill East, Chestnut Hill West & Trenton Lines*

PHILADELPHIA, PA (September 28, 2018) --- Starting Sunday, Sept. 30 (9:00 p.m.), Amtrak will begin construction to replace a critical track switch used by both SEPTA and Amtrak trains traveling towards 30th Street Station. As part of this work, SEPTA's Cynwyd, Chestnut Hill East, Chestnut Hill West and Trenton Lines will be affected. Service adjustments will be in effect from Sunday, Sept. 30th through Tuesday, Oct. 9, 2018.

Construction will require all SEPTA and Amtrak trains operating to and from 30th Street Station to use a single, high traffic track. Given the amount of Amtrak and SEPTA service that operates in this area, temporary schedule adjustments will be required to alleviate train congestion within the Amtrak work zone.

SEPTA service adjustments are detailed below. Please note: Service information is based on Amtrak construction and is subject to change.

Sunday, Sept. 30, 2018

- Late night schedule delays of up to 20 minutes will be in effect on SEPTA's Chestnut Hill West and Trenton Regional Rail Lines beginning at 9:00 p.m. Customers should visit <http://www.septa.org/amtrakswitch/index.html> for complete service information.

Monday, Oct. 1 through Tuesday, Oct. 9, 2018

- **Chestnut Hill East Enhanced:** To accommodate customers during construction, Chestnut Hill East Trains will operate with **four additional** morning and evening trains for customers traveling to and from Center City. All other trains will operate as regularly scheduled. Customers should download the special schedule for complete service information at <http://www.septa.org/amtrakswitch/pdf/2018-amtrak-CHE-timetable.pdf>
- **Chestnut Hill West Line:** Select morning, mid-day and evening trains will not run. Inbound trains from Chestnut Hill West Station #816 (departing at 6:55 a.m.), #9820 (departing at 8:08 a.m.), #828 (departing at 10:48 a.m.), #830 (departing at 11:45 a.m.), #832 (departing at 12:54 p.m.), #834 (departing at 1:53 p.m.) and #8764 departing at 6:25 p.m.) will not run. Outbound trains from Suburban Station #805 (departing at 5:57 a.m.), #809 (departing at 7:09 am), #819 (departing at 9:43 a.m.), #823 (departing at 10:45 a.m.), #827 (departing at 11:56 a.m.), #829 (departing at 12:55 a.m.), #9837 (departing at 4:12 p.m.) and 7841 (departing at 5:21 p.m.) will not run.

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- Chestnut Hill West Line Continued: In addition to weekday service adjustments, weekend Chestnut Hill West trains will not run on Saturday, Oct. 6 and Sunday, Oct. 7. The supplemental timetable is available for download at: <http://www.septa.org/amtrakswitch/pdf/2018-amtrak-CHW-timetable.pdf>. As an alternate, customers can use SEPTA's Chestnut Hill East line.
- Cynwyd Line: Temporary shuttle bus service will replace regular train service at Cynwyd, Bala and Wynnefield Stations. Cynwyd Regional Rail Line customers traveling outbound from Center City will take Paoli/Thorndale Line trains to Overbrook Station. At Overbrook Station, customers will need to transfer from trains to shuttle buses to complete their outbound trips to Cynwyd Station. Customers traveling inbound to Center City on the Cynwyd Regional Rail Line will need to board shuttle buses at Cynwyd Station. After departing from Cynwyd Station, the buses will make stops at Bala and Wynnefield Avenue Stations before stopping at Overbrook Station where customers will transfer to Paoli/Thorndale Line trains to complete their inbound trips into Center City. Shuttle bus departure times differ from regularly scheduled train times. The special schedule is available for download at: <http://www.septa.org/amtrakswitch/pdf/2018-amtrak-cynwyd-bus-timetable.pdf>
- Trenton Line: Select morning, late afternoon and evening weekday trains will not run. As an alternate, customers will need to review the special schedule for alternate service options to board trains earlier or later. In addition to morning, late afternoon and evening schedule adjustments, trains #9700 and #9730 will operate at regularly scheduled train times between Trenton and 30th Street but will not make stops at Suburban or Jefferson Stations. Customers continuing into Center City from trains #9700 and #9730 will disembark from trains at the lower level of 30th Street Station and go to the upper level mezzanine to take any inbound train. Outbound train #9741 (departing from Suburban Station at 3:51 p.m.) will originate at 30th Street Station and board from the Amtrak Lower Level platform which is accessible via Stairway 9. Saturday and Sunday trains will operate at regularly scheduled train times however; customers may experience in-service delays of up to 15 minutes between North Philadelphia and 30th Street Stations. The special schedule is available for download at <http://www.septa.org/amtrakswitch/pdf/2018-amtrak-trenton-timetable.pdf>

Customers should visit <http://www.septa.org/amtrakswitch/index.html> for complete service information or visit www.septa.org to view changes to their train lines. Riders can also contact SEPTA Customer Service representatives at (215) 580-7800 for more information and can stay connected by following the Chestnut Hill East @SEPTA_CHE, Chestnut Hill West @SEPTA_CHW, Cynwyd @SEPTA_CYN, and Trenton @SEPTA_TRE Regional Rail Lines on Twitter.

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