

# Prince George's County's WMATA SafeTrack Action Plan June, 2016

#### Metro's SafeTrack Plan

**SafeTrack** is Metro's year-long maintenance effort to improve the safety and reliability of the Metrorail system. It is comprised of a series of repairs accomplished through around-the-clock shutdown and single-tracking projects, referred to as "Safety Surges". These surges will impact Blue, Orange, Silver and Green line travelers in Prince George's County.



# WMATA SafeTrack Plan: Components and Timing

#### Effective Friday, June 3, 2016:

- Weeknights: 8 pm work begins (instead of 10 pm)
- Weekends: Rail system closes at midnight (instead of 3 am)
- No early openings and late closings for special events
- "Safety Surges" begin—long duration outages or single-tracking on selected line segments



# WMATA SafeTrack: Safety Surges

- 15 safety surges system-wide
- Accommodates work that cannot occur in limited windows during nights or weekends
- Consistently impacts service, felt most acutely during PEAK PERIODS
- Metro shuttle buses will serve closed stations; transit service maintained at all times, although with greatly reduced capacity and service levels

# **Metro's Safety Surge Schedule**

Date	Duration	Lines	Impact	Area Affected
June 4 - 16	13 days	OR SV	Continuous Single Track	East Falls Church to Ballston
June 18 - July 3	16 days	OR BL SV	Line Segment Shutdown	Eastern Market to Minnesota Ave & Benning Road
July 5 - 11 *Starts 8pm July 5	6 days	YL BL	Line Segment Shutdown	National Airport to Braddock Road
July 12 - 18	7 days	YL BL	Line Segment Shutdown	Pentagon City to National Airport
July 20 - 31	12 days	OR SV	Continuous Single Track	East Falls Church to Ballston
August 1 - 7	7 days	RD	Continuous Single Track	Takoma to Silver Spring
August 9 - 18	10 days	RD	Continuous Single Track	Shady Grove to Twinbrook
August 20 - September 5	17 days	YL BL	Continuous Single Track	Franconia-Springfield to Van Dorn Street
September 9 - October 20	42 days	OR	Continuous Single Track	Vienna to West Falls Church
October 10 - November 1	23 days	RD	Line Segment Shudown	Fort Totten to NoMa
November 3 - 11	9 days	OR SV	Continuous Single Track	East Falls Church to West Falls Church
November 12 - December 6	25 days	YL GR	Continuous Single Track	Greenbelt to College Park
December 7 - 24	18 days	BL	Continuous Single Track	Rosslyn to Pentagon
January 2 - 13 January 23 - February 3 *Starts 10pm Jan. 22	24 days	YL BL	Continuous Single Track	Braddock Road to Huntington/Van Dorn Street
March 6 - 19	14 days	OR SV	Continuous Single Track	East Falls Church to West Falls Church

Note: Information Subject to Change. Visit WMATA.com/safetrack for updates.

# SafeTrack and Prince George's County



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Prince George's County residents, employees, and visitors will be **significantly impacted** throughout SafeTrack.

Impacts will be particularly acute during TWO SURGE PERIODS from **June 18-July 3, 2016,** and **November 12-December 6, 2016**.

**ALL** commuters should expect heavy delays at Metro stations, and on major commuting corridors.

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Lead by its Department of Public Works and Transportation, **Prince George's County** has developed an **Action Plan** to help mitigate impacts of reduced Metrorail service during WMATA's yearlong SafeTrack initiative.

#### THE MESSAGE: Be Prepared, Plan Ahead

# 3 Steps for Navigating SafeTrack

REDUCTION & DIVERSION – The best solution is to telework or secure alternative work schedules to get out of the system—especially at peak periods.

<u>ALTERNATIVE TRANSPORTATION OPTIONS</u> - Explore carpool, vanpool, rideshare, and biking options.

**MITIGATION** – Supplemental services are being provided for those who absolutely *must* be in the system. They will NOT remove inconvenience.

# SafeTrack Regional Coordination: PARTNERS

- WMATA
- Maryland Transit
   Administration (MTA)
- Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT)
- Fairfax County
- Montgomery County
- Arlington County

- District of Columbia
- Loudon County
- City of Alexandria
- National Parks Service
- M-NCPPC
- Metro Washington
   Council of Governments
- Federal Government

# **County Mitigation Activities: Street Teams**

- Deploying DPW&T Street Teams to impacted stations
- Speaking directly to riders providing education on alternative transportation options and assistance in securing them



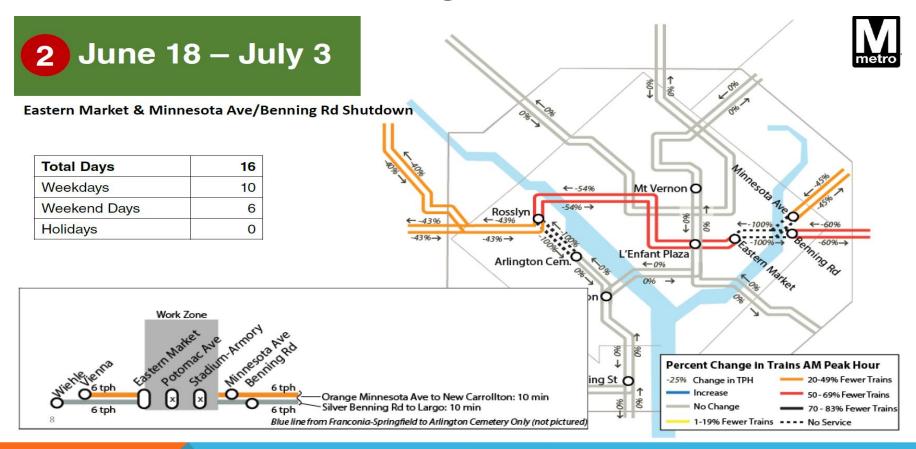
# **County Mitigation Activities: Alternative Travel Options**

Commuters are strongly encouraged to consider **alternative travel options** such as ridesharing. Travelers can find other commuters to link with based on their location and scheduling needs.

- Carpool
- Vanpool
- Utilize 11 Free Park & Ride facilities
- For more information visit <u>www.RideSmartSolutions.com</u>



#### **WMATA Surge #2 Overview**



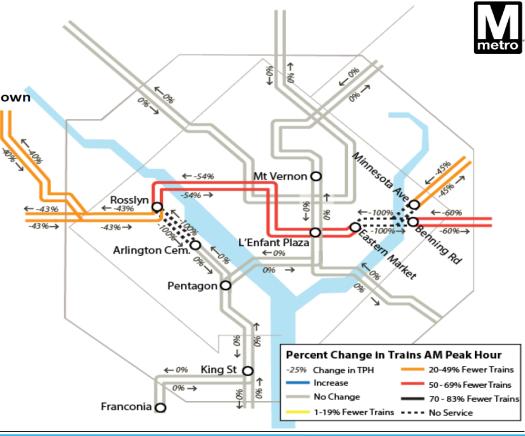
#### **WMATA Surge #2 Overview**

**2** June 18 – July 3

Eastern Market & Minnesota Ave/Benning Rd Shutdown

#### **Total Impacted Peak Trips per Day**

Service Change	Impacted Trips
20% - 49% Fewer Trains	47,000
50% - 69% Fewer Trains	205,000
No Service	41,000
Total	293,000



# Safety Surge #2: WMATA Mitigation Actions

Line segment shutdown from Minnesota Avenue and Benning Road to Eastern Avenue - June 18 through July 3, 2016

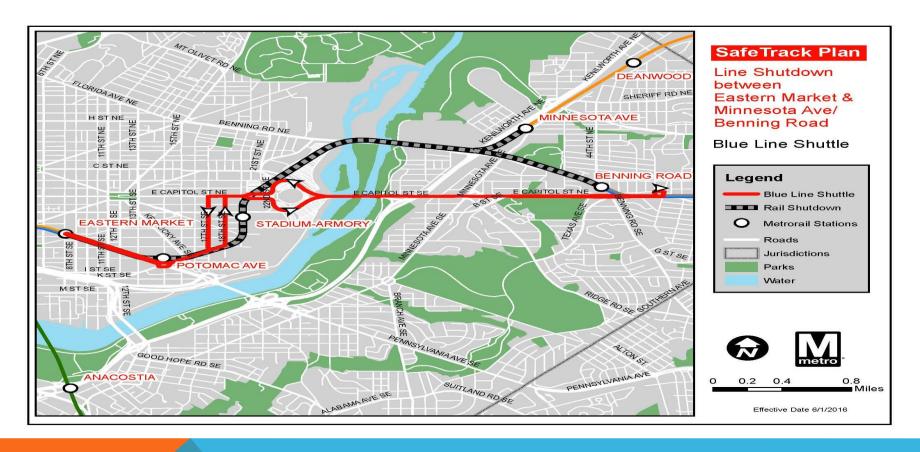






- WMATA will operate free bus shuttles between the impacted stations every 5-10 minutes during peak period. Shuttles will be available:
  - Weekdays: 5 a.m. to Midnight
  - Weekends: 7 a.m. to Midnight
- 40 shuttle buses will be used during peak period
- Shuttle buses stop <u>only</u> at Metrorail stations

# WMATA Blue Line Surge #2 Shuttle Bus Routing



Blue Line shuttle will stop at Eastern Market, Potomac Avenue, Stadium Armory, and Benning Road rail stations only.

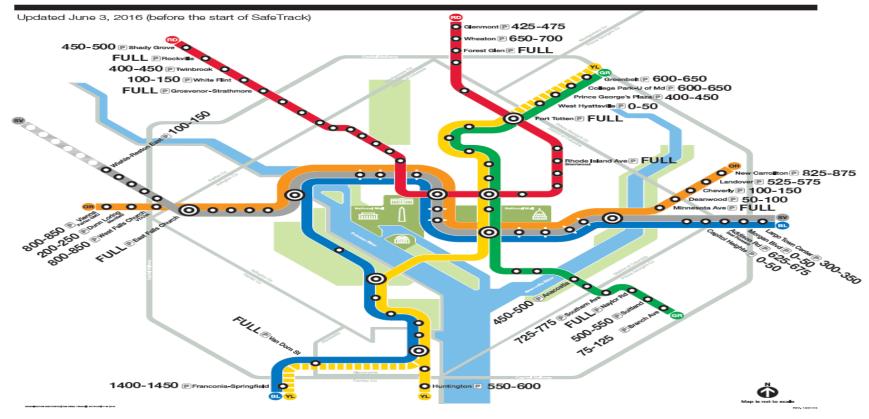
#### **WMATA Orange Line Surge #2 Shuttle Bus Routing**



Orange Line shuttle will stop at Eastern Market, Potomac Avenue, Stadium Armory, and Minnesota Avenue rail stations only.

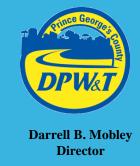
#### Parking Availability at Metrorail stations

Customers may consider parking at an alternate Metrorail station during SafeTrack. Check this map to see how many parking spaces remain vacant in Metro lots on a typical weekday after the morning rush hour ends.



Impacted travelers should access DC via the **Green Line**. There are over **3,000 parking spaces** available at Prince George's County metro stations along the Green Line from **Greenbelt** in the North, or **Branch Avenue** in the South.





# Prince George's County Surge #2 Mitigation Activities

#### Prince George's County Surge #2 Mitigation Activities: Supplemental Service

- FREE bus service on *TheBus*Route 15X connecting New
  Carrollton to Greenbelt station
- Adding additional buses that will be departing every 15 minutes from New Carrollton to Greenbelt
- DPW&T will have additional buses on stand-by to support the WMATA bus shuttle during surge #2.
- MARC will add cars to existing Camden line trains during peak periods at the Greenbelt Station



# Prince George's County SafeTrack Mitigation Activities

- Adjusting signal timing on major County roads leading into the District of Columbia
- Coordinated with State of Maryland to secure targeted messages to drivers on electronic overhead signs
- Engaged State of Maryland to secure increased HOV lane enforcement

**Safety Surge 2: Transit Service Options** 

		Supplemental Metrobus & TheBus	
Existing TheBus Service	Existing Metrobus Service	Service around Safety Surge	MARC Train Service
New Carrollton: Routes 15X, 16, 21, 21X	B21, B22, B24, B25, B27, B29, B31, C28, F2, F6, F13, F12, F14, G12, G14, T14, T18, 87	Carrollton to Greenbelt rail station	Penn Line to DC: Bowie State University, Seabrook, and New Carrollton Camden Line to DC: Greenbelt (Green Line) College Park, Riverdale Park, Laurel, Muirkirk
Landover: Route 27	A12, F12	A12 to Capital Heights, transfer to X9 to Metro Center, 96 or 97 to Union Station; A12 to Capital Plaza; transfer to T18 to Rhode Island Avenue	
Cheverly: Routes 18, 23	F1, F2, F8, F12, F13	T18 Annapolis Road to Rhode Island Avenue Station; Route 18 to Langley Park; transfer to T18 or at Prince George's Plaza Station	
Largo: Routes 21, 26, 28	C21, C22, C26, C29	96/97 to Union Station, and X9 (limited stop) service to Metro Center at Capitol Heights Station	
Morgan Boulevard: Routes 22, 24, 26	None	96/97 to Union Station, and X9 (limited stop) service to Union Station at Capitol Heights Metro	
Addison Road: Routes 18, 20, 23	J11, J12, V12, V14, V15, A12, C21, C22, C27, C29, F14	P12 to Suitland Station; A12 to Cap. Heights and transfer to 96/97 to Union Station, or X9 to Metro Center	
apitol Heights: Route 24, 25 A12, F14, U8, X9, 96, 97		96/97 to Union Station, or X9 to Metro Center	

#### Line Segment Shutdown Alternatives Options To Downtown DC – Surge #2 Orange / Blue/ Silver Line Metrorail Stations



The Bus - Route 15X to Greenbelt Station / MARC Station

Departing every 20 minutes, instead of 40 minutes, during line segment shutdown!!

MARC Penn Line to Union Station

T14 to Rhode Island Avenue Station

T18 Annapolis Road to Rhode Island Ave. (enhanced service)

F6 to College Park Station / MARC Station

G12, G14 to Greenbelt Station / MARC Station

#### <u>Landover</u>

A12 to Capital Plaza & Transfer to T18 to Rhode Island Ave.

A12 to Capital Heights & Transfer to X9 to Metro Center, to 96/97 to Union Station

#### <u>Cheverly</u>

Ride *The Bus* – Route 18 to Langley Park & Transfer to T18 on Bladensburg Road or Transfer at Prince George's Plaza Metrorail Station on the Green Line

F1, F2, F8 to West Hyattsville Station



#### <u>Largo Town Center / Morgan</u> Boulevard

 Take train to Capitol Heights Station and transfer to: 96/97 to Union Station, or to X9 to Metro Center

#### **Addison Road**

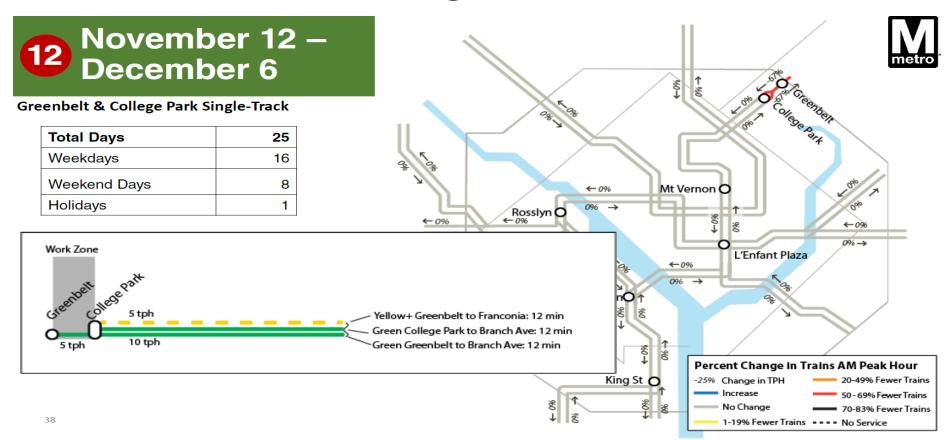
- Ride P12 to Suitland Metro Station
- Take train or Ride A12 to Capitol Heights Station and transfer to 96/97 to Union Station or to X9 to Metro Center

#### **Capitol Heights**

 Ride 96/97 to Union Station or X9 to Metro Center



# **WMATA Surge #12 Overview**



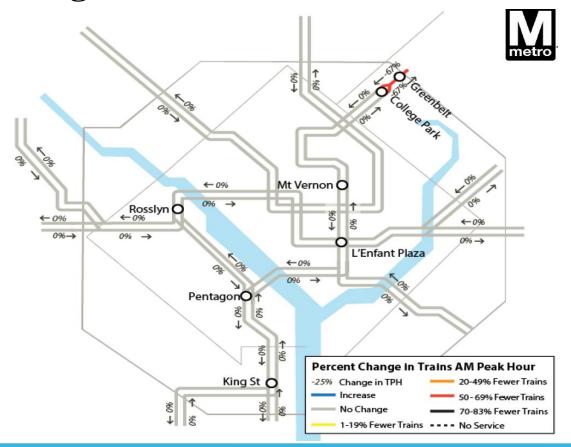
# WMATA Surge #12 Overview

# November 12 – December 6

**Greenbelt & College Park Single-Track** 

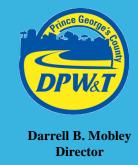
**Total Impacted Peak Trips per Day** 

Service Change	Impacted Trips	
50% - 69% Fewer Trains	9,000	



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# Prince George's County Surge #12 Mitigation Activities

#### Prince George's County Surge #12 Mitigation Activities: Supplemental Service

DPW&T will deploy up to ten (10) additional buses to run between Greenbelt and College Park during peak hours.



#### Prince George's County Surge # 12 Mitigation Activities: Bicycling Alternatives for County Commuters

County Bicycle and Pedestrian Coordinator working with Washington Area Bicycling Association to develop cycling maps for Greenbelt/College Park surge.



#### SafeTrack Resources for Prince George's County

#### Prince George's County DPW&T webpage:

http://www.princegeorgescountymd.gov/sites/publicworks/Pages/default.aspx

#### **Safe Track: Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)**

http://www.princegeorgescountymd.gov/sites/PublicWorks/Transit/AlternativeCommuting/Documents/SafeTrack%20FAQ%27s.pdf

#### **RideSmart:** Guide to alternative transportation options in the County

http://www.ridesmartsolutions.com/

#### **WMATA TRIP Planner:**

http://www.wmata.com/rider\_tools/tripplanner/tripplanner\_form\_solo.cfm

#### **PGC Trip Mobile App**

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