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Emergency Bus Feeder Service begins in Sloatsburg

POMONA, NY - The Rockland County Department of Public Transportation will begin free feeder bus service tomorrow to serve areas of Sloatsburg impacted by Hurricane Irene.

The first feeder route – the Seven Lakes Loop – will begin tomorrow, Friday, September 2nd. The Seven Lakes Loop will operate from Sterlington Station on Seven Lakes Drive and will serve the bus shelter at the intersection of Seven Lakes Drive and Washington Avenue, traveling along Washington Avenue to Route 17 South, Route 17 South to Sloatsburg Village Hall parking lot, ending at the bus shelter on Route 17 South in front of the Dunkin Donuts and Sloatsburg Library. The Seven Lakes Loop will then operate in the reverse direction serving the same destinations. The Seven Lakes Loop will connect customers with the TOR #93 route at the Sloatsburg Village Hall parking lot, where the #93 is currently terminating.

The Seven Lakes Loop will operate Monday through Friday between 6 am and 7:20 pm and on Saturday and Sunday between 9 am and 5:20 pm. On weekdays, the bus will depart Sterlington Station approximately every 20 minutes beginning at 6 am, with the last bus arriving at Sterlington Station at 7:20 pm. On weekends, the bus will depart Sterlington Station approximately every 20 minutes beginning at 9 am, with the last bus arriving at Sterlington Station at 5:20 pm. Once connected, passengers will have access to all of the regular stops along the TOR #93 route, and can make connections to other bus routes as usual.

The second feeder route – the Train Loop – will begin Tuesday, September 6th. The Train Loop will operate from the Sloatsburg Train Station parking lot, and will serve the Sloatsburg Village Hall parking lot before traveling express to the Suffern Train Station. The Train Loop will connect commuters who usually ride the Port Jervis Line from Sloatsburg with trains at Suffern instead. (Service on the Port Jervis Line has been suspended between Harriman and Suffern due to storm damage).

The Train Loop will operate by 24-hour ADVANCE REQUEST ONLY, Monday through Friday between 6:15 and 9 am and between 5 and 8 pm. Passengers should call the Rockland County Department of Public Transportation at (845) 364-2059 to request Train Loop service. Ride requests may be made Monday through Friday between 7:30 am and 5 pm by speaking with a member of the Public Transportation Department staff. Voicemail requests cannot be honored. When calling to make a ride request, Train Loop passengers will need to indicate the departure time of their morning train from Suffern, and the time that their evening train arrives at Suffern if they are making a round-trip. The Train Loop will NOT operate on weekends.

The Loop vehicles are blue and white, 16-18 passenger buses with signage in the windshield and on the passenger side door indicating “Seven Lakes Loop” or “Train Loop”. For further information on the Feeder Loops, or for other transit inquiries, call the Rockland Transit Information Center at (845) 364-3333, Monday through Friday, between 9 am and 5 pm. Visit online at www.rocklandgov.com and click on the bus for all local and regional transit schedules.

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