Second Avenue Subway Newsletter

72nd Street Station Area

Announcements

FTA recently accepted and approved MTA’s technical memorandum explaining the need to relocate Entrance 1 from the inside of 301 East 69th Street to the new location on the east sidewalk of Second Avenue between 69th Street and 70th Street. This involves a bump-out of the east sidewalk between 69th Street and 70th Street.

Second shift work (3 p.m. to 10 p.m.) has resumed within the Ancillary 1 work site (north-west corner of 69th Street and Second Avenue). Workers will also continue to access the underground cavern - during the third shift via - shafts within the 69th Street muck house and Ancillary 2 work site (north-west corner of 72nd Street and Second Avenue).

MTACC to open the Second Avenue Subway Community Information Center in July.

The Community Information Center (CIC) will offer access to full-time project staff, regular programming and activities, and biannual exhibits about different aspects of the Second Avenue Subway. Most importantly, the Community Information Center will be a resource where residents and business owners can get any information they need about the project and bring issues of concern to the project staff’s attention. The center will be open through the completion of the project’s first phase, which will bring the Q line from 96th Street to 63rd Street beginning in December 2016. Located at 1628 Second Avenue (between 84th & 85th Streets) the CIC will serve as a one-stop-shop where you can learn about the Second Avenue Subway, its construction and its history. In addition to providing a place where residents and business owners can talk with Second Avenue Subway representatives, the CIC also will serve as an educational center, where multimedia exhibitions show what it takes to build a project of this magnitude. The first of these exhibits is a timeline of the history of efforts to build the Second Avenue Subway, in effect completing what has been in the works for more than 80 years.

Future exhibits will highlight the technologies and processes used in modern subway construction, what you’ll find in the subterranean world of Second Avenue, and more.

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Project Overview

The future 72nd Street Station will have three new entrances including 11 escalators and five street-level ADA accessible elevators at the southeast corner of 72nd Street and Second Avenue. Current work in this area includes construction of the station cavern and tunnels from the 72nd Street Station to the existing Lexington Av/63rd Street Station. This contract includes the demolition of buildings for ancillary locations at 72nd Street and 69th Street, and requires utility relocation for the installation of support of excavation walls. The estimated completion of this contract is October 2014.

A follow-on contract will then complete the mezzanine and platform, ancillary structures, station entrances, and the mechanical, electrical, and plumbing systems for the station. Future plans regarding surface-level staging areas needed for this follow-on work will be conveyed to stakeholders and the community through ongoing project outreach and at regular Construction Advisory Committee meetings.

Construction Update

**Surface Level**

- Concrete truck staging will continue between 74th and 76th Streets.
- Several large volume concrete pours are still needed to complete final cavern arches. One or two large volume pours are expected to occur per week for the next few months.
- Nighttime deliveries of oversized construction materials will continue and can occur up to five nights a week. These deliveries will occur at night due to wide load traffic restrictions.
- The removal of the 72nd Street muck house is underway with expected completion by late July 2013. The follow-on work within this work zone is the relocation of Con Edison utilities.
- The 69th Street muck house removal is on target to begin in Fall 2013.
- Utility relocation preparation is underway at 1322 Second Avenue as part of Entrance 1 construction on the east side of Second Avenue between 69th Street and 70th Street.

**Underground**

- Waterproofing, steel reinforcement and concrete lining will continue throughout the main station caverns and tunnels.
- Delivery and installation of oversized rebar cages and final arch forms for the station cavern and tunnels will continue.
- Work during overnight hours (11 p.m. – 7 a.m.) will continue underground within the cavern areas to install concrete form work and conduct other activities related to concrete lining installation (excluding concrete pours).

Work Hours

MONDAY-FRIDAY: 7:00 a.m. TO 10:00 p.m.
SATURDAY: 10:00 a.m. TO 7:00 p.m. (as needed)
Work is permitted underground 24/7.

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