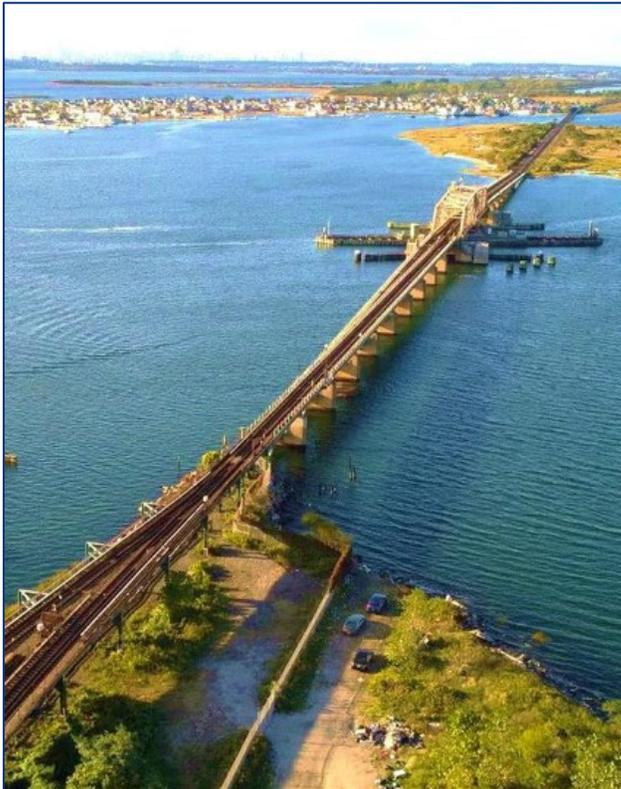




# Rockaway Line 2025

## Resiliency & Rehabilitation Project

### Fact Sheet



The MTA is completing critical repairs to aging infrastructure in the Rockaways to make the Peninsula’s public transportation more resilient against climate change. Many components of the Rockaway Line are over 65 years old, which necessitates significant rehabilitation and resiliency upgrades to further protect vulnerable infrastructure against rising sea levels. The damage caused by Superstorm Sandy was extensive, and trains were suspended for seven months while crews worked hard to make emergency repairs that restored transit service to the Rockaways. This Project builds upon previous work to address the Rockaway Line’s vulnerability to climate change and strengthen its aging infrastructure, ensuring its reliability for decades to come.

The Rockaway Line provides a vital connection between the Rockaway Peninsula, home to a diverse population of almost 125,000 residents, and the rest of New York City. Nearly 10,000 riders use the Line daily.

**2013** **FTA-Funded Emergency Relief Work: \$84M**  
Restored the washed-out right-of-way, started resiliency work and installation of sheet pile wall north of Broad Channel

**2019** **Hammels Wye Campus Flood Mitigation: \$27M**  
Flood-hardening and substation protection

**2020** **Station Flood-Hardening: \$28.5M**  
Flood-hardened to protect communications and signal equipment at four stations

**2021** **Rockaway Repairs “Wrap-Up”: \$50M**  
Repairs to the North Channel Bridge piers and communications resiliency upgrades

**Rockaway Line Resiliency & Rehabilitation: \$393M**

**Rehabilitation**

- Full Replacement of Hammels Wye Viaduct
- South Channel Bridge State-Of-Good-Repair
- Rockaway Line Viaduct

**Resiliency**

- Beach 105<sup>th</sup> St Signal Tower
- Rockaway Line

Contract Start: Dec. 29, 2022  
 17-Week A Train Outage Start: Jan. 17, 2025  
 17-Week A Train Outage End: May 19, 2025  
 Anticipated Substantial Completion: Q3 2026  
 25.68% of Project completed as of Nov. 7, 2024



## Project Elements

### Hammels Wye Viaduct

Replacement of Viaduct superstructure necessitates a **17-week, 24/7 outage from January 17-May 19, 2025.**

### South Channel Bridge

Replacement of electrical and mechanical systems to address state-of-good-repair needs.

### Rockaway Line Viaduct

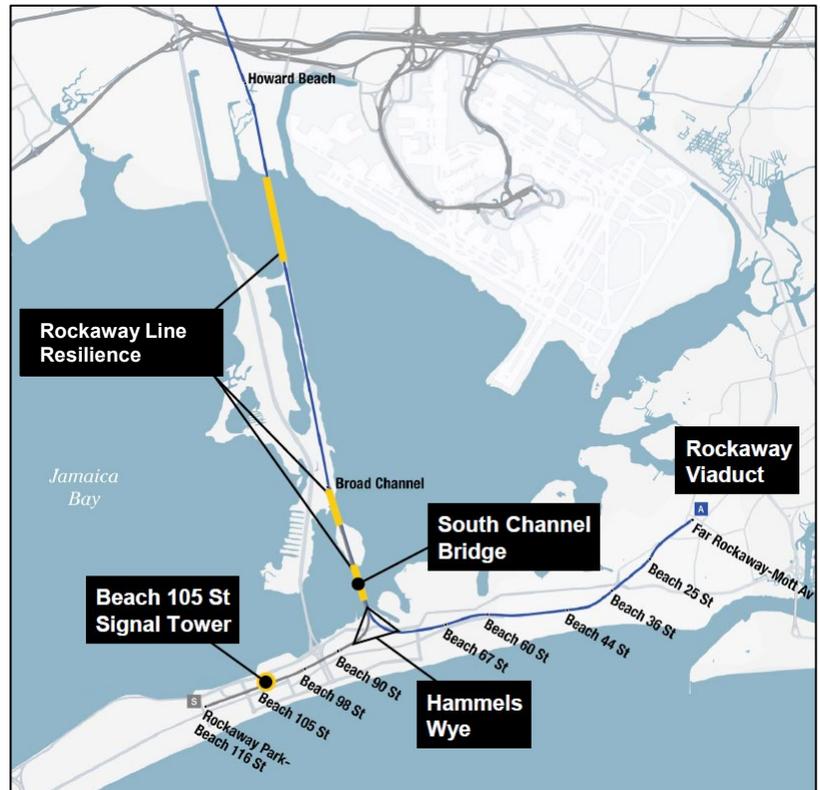
Repair, removal, and replacement of various deteriorated elements of the Viaduct structure.

### Beach 105<sup>th</sup> St Signal Tower

New signal tower, compressor plant, and track crossover, adding redundancy in the system.

### Rockaway Line Resilience

Fortification of embankments and hardening of critical infrastructure at stations.



## Minimizing Disruptions

The MTA and its contractors are committed to minimizing disruptions to the surrounding communities during construction, including:

- Advanced notification of construction work
- Utilizing equipment to monitor noise and vibration levels, as required
- Working with the Department of Transportation to set up Maintenance and Protection of Traffic for vehicular and pedestrian safety
- Installing appropriate roadwork detour signs, including variable message signs, ahead of the work to let people know alternate routes to take
- Implementing alternative routes and shuttle buses during service outages
- No long-term service outages during the summer months (Memorial Day to Labor Day)

