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The New Draft Queens Bus Network Redesign Puts Riders First March 29, 2022

Queens riders have much to be optimistic about with the new draft Queens Bus Network Redesign plan unveiled today. The MTA clearly took into account the concerns and feedback of riders after the previous plan, and after going back to the drawing board, the new plan will help make buses faster, more reliable, and more frequent. We were thrilled to hear that the new plan does not depend on being “revenue neutral,” which is a big win for Queens riders who will not have to sacrifice quality for cost. As DOT Commissioner Rodriguez said, buses are our opportunity to have an “above-ground train system.” With this plan that revamps over 100 routes serving over 800,000 riders, we’re confident that a better Queens bus network is well on its way.

We’re glad to hear that the MTA will continue its robust public input process with 14 public workshops, and we encourage all Queens riders to make their voices heard. As public input is taken into consideration, we hope that connectivity to the subway and LIRR stations will be prioritized. Additionally, better bus connections to LaGuardia Airport should be included regardless of the configuration of the Port Authority’s plans. We appreciate the MTA’s commitment to prioritizing the needs of Queens riders who depend on the bus network every day and look forward to seeing the plan in action.