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If the expectation is Rocla will honor the warranty, does that mean the wooden ties going in now will be replaced again by concrete ties?

No

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Beginning 9/16, MBCR crews will start replacing 14,000 concrete ties along Old Colony.

The number far exceeds the actual number that have been positively identified as deteriorating, but the other ties are close enough to the deteriorating ties to make their replacement the prudent thing to do (because of the additional stress put on them from being near deteriorating ties).

This work will not cost the T any additional money. MBCR's current contract already calls for the replacement of at least 41,000 railroad ties each year around the commuter rail system. When the work begins next week, there will be periods of time when buses will replace train service (but that will never happen during peak commuting periods). Please see the customer service notice from MBCR for details.

There are about 147,000 ties on Old Colony. inspectors have identified fewer than 7,000 that need to be replaced

Meantime, the T fully expects the tie manufacturer of the original ties to honor its obligations under the warranty.

From: Jack Sullivan [mailto:jsullivan@MassINC.org]
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Looking for info about the temporary shutdown of OCCR Middleboro, when it starts, how long, how much work, process of replacing, do you have a concrete tie laying machine, daytime or 24/7, will Kingston be affected or are there plans to bus and repair on that line as well. Several other questions I'm sure I'll think of.

Just got the release you sent so that answers a couple questions, thanks. Any idea why we didn't get it before?

Thanks,

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