



## **SEPTA Wire Train Work Beginning Week of June 21**

*Work to take place over next eight months*

As construction continues on the new train station, parking deck and crew reporting facility, SEPTA this week is beginning the installation of the overhead catenary wires along the length of the track between Elwyn Station and the new Station on Route 1. Overhead catenary wires are the electric wires that run above the track and will provide power to the rail cars operating along the restored service.

In order to perform this work, SEPTA utilizes a wire train that allows crews to safely work from an elevated platform to run the catenary wires and connect them to the catenary poles along the length of the track. Because there is no electric power, the wire train is powered by a diesel locomotive, which is louder than SEPTA's electrified Regional Rail fleet that will operate on the line when service begins.

**Work Beginning:** Week of June 21, 2021

**Duration:** Approximately 8 months

**Work Days:** Monday through Friday

**Work Hours:** 7:00 AM to 9:00 PM

**Work area schedule** (SEPTA crews will be working in the following general locations):

- **July – August:** Elwyn Station to Lenni substation (Lungren Rd.)
- **September – October:** Lenni substation (Lungren Rd.) to new rail station
- **November – February:** Lenni yard, grade crossing and station track (Lenni Rd. to Route 1)

Residents living along the track will notice construction noises from the wire train's diesel engine and equipment, as the train travels along the track and when crews are working to attach wires to catenary poles. The train is also equipped with construction lighting to allow crews to safely work in the evening. The lights are directed toward the work area, but residents will notice construction lighting in the evening.

As always, residents are reminded that the entire SEPTA track area should be considered an active construction zone at all times, and residents are asked to observe all posted signage and stay clear of the construction area for their own safety.

Thank you for your patience during this period of work. Please contact [elwyntowawa@septa.org](mailto:elwyntowawa@septa.org) with any questions or if you need additional information.