

MBTA COMMUTER RAIL IMPROVEMENTS AND INVESTMENTS

FRAMINGHAM/WORCESTER COMMUTER RAIL LINE

September 2025

In addition to improving service and accessibility, ongoing and planned improvements support the development and growth of the communities in which they serve.

Extensive capital investment to improve service along the corridor and reduce travel times are being made to the Framingham/Worcester Commuter Rail Line.

Framingham/Worcester Commuter Rail Line Infrastructure Investment

Speed restriction removal

- Improved tracks to raise maximum authorized speed from Lansdowne to Auburndale

Framingham/Worcester “30-30” Service (Target: 2026)

- All-day, 30-minute “Zonal express” bi-directional service to Worcester
- All-day, 30-minute local bi-directional service to Framingham
- Requisite track and signal improvements funded with \$20 million in Fair Share funds

Recent and Ongoing Station Infrastructure Investments

Worcester Union Station Improvements (Under construction. Estimated completion Winter 2025)

- New fully accessible center island platform is complete and open
- Interlocking re-construction will allow two trains at a time on platform (Estimated completion in Fall 2026)
- Requisite track improvements funded with \$20 million in Fair Share funds

Natick Center Station Improvements (Under construction. Estimated completion Winter 2025)

- New fully accessible side platforms

Wellesley Square Station (Construction completed February 2025)

- Constructed as part of the MBTA’s mini-high program, which offers a scalable way to improve accessibility across the Commuter Rail system
- Wellesley’s first ADA accessible commuter rail stop
- Design underway of new ramping system to provide fully ADA-compliant connection between inbound and outbound platforms.

Newtonville Station (Design underway. Preparing for alternative delivery procurement)

- Two fully accessible side platforms



WORCESTER UNION STATION



NATICK CENTER STATION



WELLESLEY SQUARE STATION



RENDERING OF NEWTONVILLE STATION

