

PETITION to reduce overcrowding on Train P508

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- Increase inbound express service for stations between Worcester & West Natick with only minor changes to service between Natick Center & Newtonville
- Eliminate the inbound “Bullet” train and reallocate that equipment to better serve everyone between Worcester & Newton

P508, the 7 AM inbound express train from Worcester, routinely carries 1,400 to 1,600 passengers. With 8 bi-level coaches, it has seating for approximately 1,440 passengers. Eight bi-level coaches is the current maximum size for any commuter rail train. As summer vacation winds down, ridership will probably go up.

I’ve drafted a proposed schedule that may help to offer alternatives to current P508 passengers – resulting in a better distribution of passengers across all of the AM peak rush hour trains.

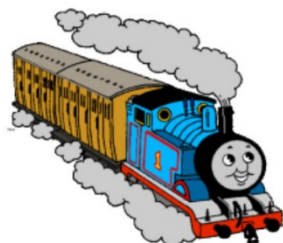
Implementing this new schedule will require eliminating the “HeartToHub” bullet train – but that train only carries around 150 passengers! We need to convince the politicians that we want better service for more people, and that the arbitrary 1 hour goal of the bullet train (with an arrival time in Boston around 9 AM) doesn’t give us what we want: Frequent express & local service arriving in Boston before 9 AM with as little overcrowding as possible.

In fairness to those who don’t agree with my ideas, I have a counter-petition available for those who don’t want to see any changes to the current schedule.


READ the petitions and let your voice be heard!

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