

Mega Projects like 7th Avenue extension and the 2nd Avenue proceed while these stations which service tens of thousands New Yorkers – probably many more suffer neglect. Should the repair of stations where people already come and go take a back seat to projects that get all the attention and a lot of the cash? What do you think? Please let us know.

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MTA IS SWEATING BRICKS

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The ceilings of several subway stations that last year were found to be riddled with water damage are still not scheduled for repair, The Post has learned.

The findings come just three days after bricks rained down from the ceiling of the 181st Street station, striking the tracks and a No. 1 train.

The Permanent Citizens Advisory Committee in 2008 gave 16 stations an "F" grade for water-leakage problems. Only three of them are scheduled for renovations over the next five years.

While the ceilings are not of the same construction, they still present a danger.

"I'm very concerned about it," said Andrew Albert, an MTA board member. "It makes me wonder if stations are being renovated on basis of need, or if they're being clustered on certain lines so they can all be done faster at once."

Albert said he's seen water "cause columns at some stations in The Bronx to bulge out . . . It's decades of neglect."

At the 168th Street station on the 1, there were small sections of missing brick over the pedestrian walkway and along the uptown platform.

NYC Transit conducted a preliminary inspection yesterday to determine if it's in danger of falling.

'Decades of neglect'

Stations with failing grades for water leakage – which are still not scheduled for renovations:

Station	Subway line
① Times Square	1, 2, 3
② 50th Street	1
③ 103rd Street	6
④ 149th Street-Grand Concourse	4
⑤ Court Street-Borough Hall	M, R, 2, 3, 4, 5