



Accident Summary

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Queens Village, New York

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On June 10, 2017, about 10:12 a.m. eastern standard time, an LIRR train on main line track 3 approached a five-member maintenance-of-way work group. The foreman and three employees were inspecting tracks in main line track 1 in the Queens Interlocking, while one employee was clear of the tracks and was keeping pace with the work group. Seconds before the accident, the train's engineer sounded the horn. Three maintenance employees remained in track 1, but the foreman stepped into the path of the train. The train was traveling about 78 mph when the engineer applied the emergency brakes just before impact.

Parties to the investigation include: Long Island Rail Road (LIRR), Federal Railroad Administration (FRA), and Department of Transportation State of New York, Metropolitan Authority, New York Department of Labor, Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and Trainmen (BLET), Sheet Metal, Air, and Transportation (SMART).