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Orange Line closing hurts Roxbury

The last few days were supposed to be a time of glory for the Massachusetts Transportation Authority. After hundreds of community meetings, 12 years of design and construction, the Orange Line had finally opened. The authority was proud to say that the new line would be a success.

But that was not to be. On Friday, the Authority announced that the Orange Line would be closed. The public was outraged. The Authority said that it was necessary to do this without disrupting service.

The reaction was one of shock and disbelief. People were angry that the Authority had not consulted them. The Authority said that it was necessary to do this to satisfy the aggrieved residents of Roxbury. The Authority said that it was necessary to do this to prevent further problems.

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