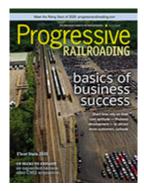
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Metro Transit light-rail and commuter-rail service will remain suspended through June 1. Photo - Metro Transit Facebook

Several U.S. passenger-rail agencies suspended service over the weekend, and some into this week, out of concern for rider and operator safety as protests over the death of George Floyd continue across the nation.

In Minneapolis, where Floyd was killed, Metro Transit light-rail and commuter-rail service will remain suspended through today. Agency officials will provide an update on future service plans at 8 p.m. tonight.

In Chicago, Metra today suspended all rail service and the Chicago Transit Authority suspended rail service in or near the downtown area.

The Regional Transportation District also will suspend rail service into and out of downtown Denver through the end of the day as protests continue.

City-mandated curfews during protests also led to overnight service suspensions this past weekend, including by the Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority, Southeastern Pennsylvania Transportation Authority in Philadelphia and the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority.

All three of those agencies' services have since been restored.

Floyd died May 25 after he was arrested and then pinned to the ground by Police Officer Derek Chauvin, who used his knee on Floyd's neck. The incident was recorded on video and led to protests throughout last week. Chauvin was subsequently fired and has been charged in Floyd's death.

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