

Northeast Moscow to Get 6 New Metro Stations

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A long-awaited extension to the metro system in northeast Moscow will see six new stations open in the next two years, Deputy Mayor Marat Khusnullin said Monday.

The stations on the Light Green Line should be opened in 2014, he said.

The extension of the line will include an intersection with the Gray Line at the Petrovsko-Razumovsksaya station and end at a new bus station at the Seligerskaya station on Dmitrovskoye Shosse.

The Light Green Line currently ends at Marina Roshcha station, at the intersection of Sheremetyevskaya Ulitsa and the Third Ring Road.

Additional stations will include Butyrskaya, Fonvizinskaya, Okruzhnaya and Verkhniye-Likhobory.

After the extension to Seligerskaya is complete, City Hall will consider extending the line as far as Lianozovo and onward to the village of Severny, which lies just north of the Moscow Ring Road.

"That will be either a metro line or a high-speed-tram line," Khusnullin said.

The Light Green Line has been extended in fits and starts since it opened in 1995. The last extension was with the opening of Marina Roshcha and Dostoyevskaya in 2010.

The city plans to add 150 kilometers of track by 2020 under a blueprint for expanding the metro system.

Twelve new tram lines are set to open next year as part of an overhaul of public transportation.

About 60 kilometers of tram track will be rebuilt with rubber shock absorbers to reduce noise and vibration, Interfax reported, citing Deputy Mayor Maxim Liksutov.

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