

## **Malvaglia–Dagro trolleybus line: closed from February 9 for maintenance and modernization work**

Filovia Malvaglia SA announces that from Monday, February 9, 2026, the facility will be closed to the public to allow for important routine and extraordinary maintenance work. The reopening is tentatively scheduled for the end of May 2026. The duration of the work is linked not only to the usual checks and maintenance of the mechanical parts, but above all to the renovation and modernization of the control system, currently in operation and dating back to 1996.

The operation represents a decisive step towards ensuring the safety, reliability, and continuity of a historic and strategic infrastructure that enhances and gives visibility, with the six villas of Val Malvaglia, to rural architecture of rare beauty. The landscape completes the picture with its territorial variety, where flora and fauna find their ideal habitat. The total investment of over CHF 1 million is therefore justified and also includes modernization work on the cabins. Another major innovation is the introduction of an automated mode of operation, which will allow for greater flexibility, particularly during periods of lower traffic.

An investment shared with the local community

The project is being financed thanks to the substantial support of the municipalities of Blenio:

- CHF 300,000 as a non-repayable grant from the municipality of Serravalle;
- CHF 100,000 as a loan from the municipality of Serravalle;
- CHF 100,000 as a non-repayable grant from each of the municipalities of Blenio and Acquarossa.

In addition, the canton will support the project with CHF 50,000 through the Regional Development Agency.

The remainder will be covered by own funds; however, in order to complete the financing of the project, a further CHF 200,000 still needs to be found. The Board of Directors is actively seeking this amount, involving foundations, associations, and private individuals who appreciate the value of the facility and its role for the entire area.

Essential facility for tourism and mountain huts

The Malvaglia cable car is not just a connection: it is a fundamental infrastructure for tourism in the Blenio area and, in particular, for the accessibility of mountain huts and activities linked to the territory in the upper Malvaglia Valley. The Board of Directors' goal is to reopen the facility at the start of the summer season, so as to ensure accessibility to the structures and destinations that represent a natural and tourist heritage for the entire region.

The renovation of the control system and the modernization of the cabins will be entrusted to the Bartholet company in Flums, while routine maintenance will be carried out by the CCIF (OFIMA Cableway Competence Center).

Filovia Malvaglia SA thanks the local community for its support and apologizes for any inconvenience caused by the closure, trusting in the understanding of the population and users: this is a necessary intervention to provide the valley with a more modern, efficient facility that is ready to face the future.