

INVITATION

– NOTICE OF HEARING –

Nashua-Merrimack-Bedford 13761

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Commission, in accordance with RSA 230:13 and the Surface Transportation and Uniform Relocation Assistance Act of 1987, has set a public hearing to discuss proposed improvements to the Frederick E. Everett Turnpike in the City of Nashua and the Towns of Merrimack and Bedford.

This project will widen the Frederick E. Everett Turnpike (FEET) to improve traffic operations and safety. The project will also replace the FEET Bridge over Pennichuck Brook, the structure conveying Baboosic Brook beneath the FEET, and the Baboosic Lake Road and Wire Road bridges over the FEET.

The FEET improvements will be comprised of three segments: segment 1 from the vicinity of Exit 8 in Nashua northerly to the vicinity of Exit 10 in Merrimack, segment 2 from the vicinity of Exit 11 in Merrimack northerly to the southern limit of the Bedford toll plaza, and segment 3 from the northern limit of the Bedford toll plaza northerly through the I-293 interchange.

The meeting will be held at the **Merrimack High School, 38 McElwain St, Merrimack, NH on October 3, 2018 at 7:00 P.M.**

THE MERRIMACK HIGH SCHOOL WILL BE OPEN ONE HOUR PRIOR TO THE TIME OF THE HEARING FOR THE INSPECTION OF PLANS BY ANY INTERESTED PERSONS.

On May 2, 2018, the Governor and Executive Council appointed Executive Councilors David Wheeler, Joseph Kenney and Chris Pappas to a Special Committee to conduct a Public Hearing to determine whether there is the occasion for the laying out of this project and acquiring necessary right-of-ways.

Notice is hereby given to said Petitioners and the owners of land over which said highway may pass, and to all others interested by posting a like copy in at least two (2) public places in the Towns of Merrimack, Nashua and Bedford and leaving a like copy with the Town Clerks at least thirty (30) days before the said day of hearing.

Relocation assistance will be furnished to each owner or tenant whose improvements or property will be acquired for this project based on their eligibility.

Interested landowners, local officials and highway users are welcome and will be given the opportunity to express their comments relative to the project. The testimony will be recorded.

This project may impact historic properties. This project is tentatively scheduled for advertising for bids December 15, 2020.

Maps, plans, the environmental studies and other pertinent information developed by the Department, along with written views received as a result of the coordination with other agencies, are available at the Department of Transportation at the John O. Morton Building, 7 Hazen Drive, Concord, New Hampshire for inspection and copying. It is suggested you call Wendy Johnson, Project Manager, at (603) 271-7171 in advance for an appointment.

Written statements and other exhibits may be submitted to the Chairman of the Special Committee, c/o Peter E. Stamnas, Director of Project Development, NH Department of Transportation, PO Box 483, Concord, NH 03302-0483 up to ten (10) days after the date of the hearing for inclusion in the official record.

Any individuals needing assistance or auxiliary communication equipment due to sensory impairment or other disability, should contact Charles R. Schmidt, P.E., Administrator of the Bureau of Right-of-Way, NHDOT, PO Box 483, Concord, NH 03302-0483 - TDD access: Relay NH 1-800-735-2964. Notification of the need for assistance must be made at the earliest convenience. This project will be administered according to the requirements of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and related statutes to ensure nondiscrimination.

/s/ Charles R. Schmidt
Charles R. Schmidt, P.E., Administrator
Bureau of Right-of-Way
N.H. Department of Transportation

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