

Highway Administrator's Report

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Sumner Tunnel Project

Contractor:

JF White, Framingham, MA

Project Type:

Design-Build

Project Cost:

\$136M + Ancillary Expenses

Bid Date:

6/26/2021

Completion of Major Construction:

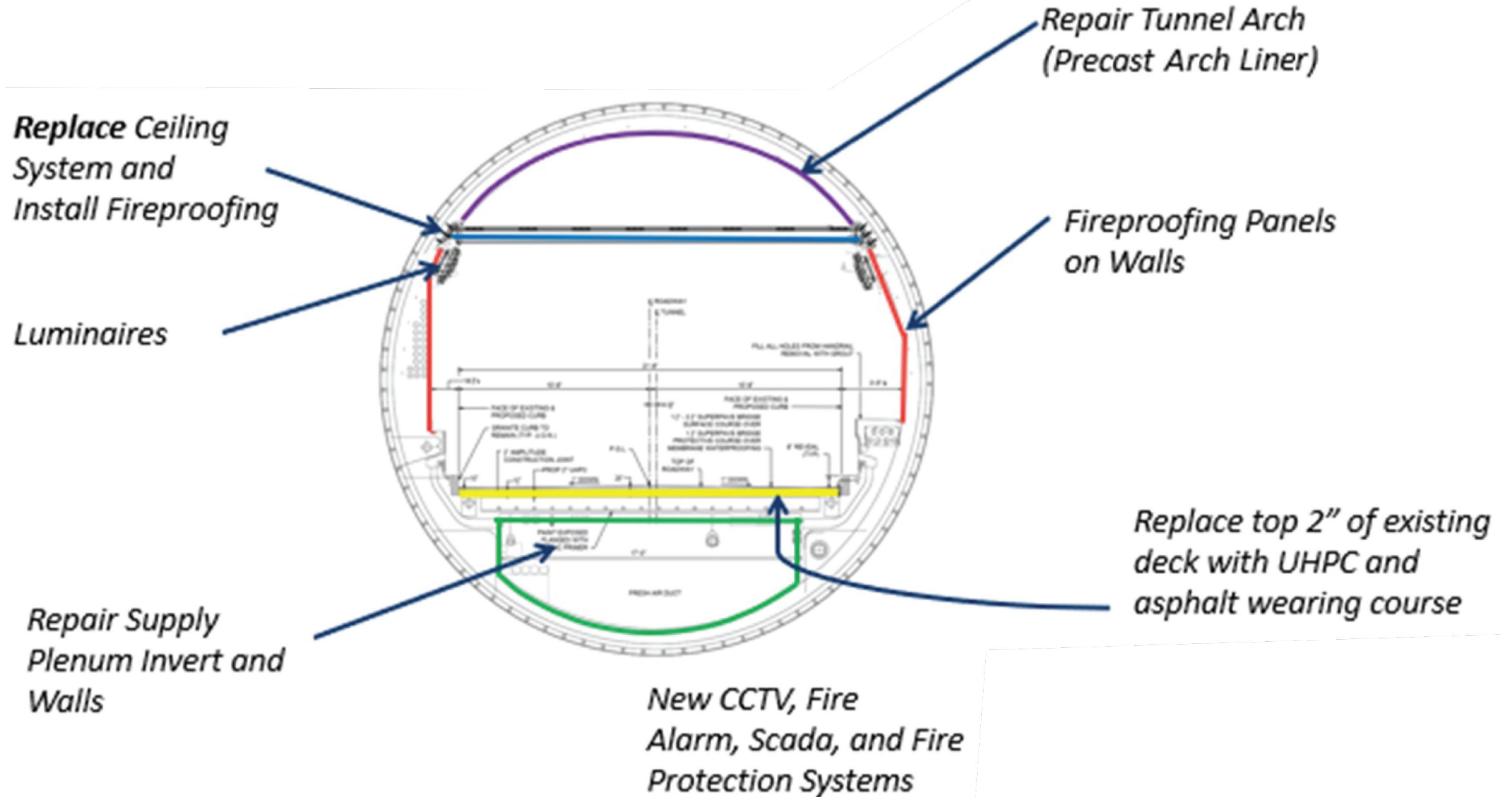
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Projected Contract Completion Date:

December, 2024



Sumner Tunnel Project



Before & After

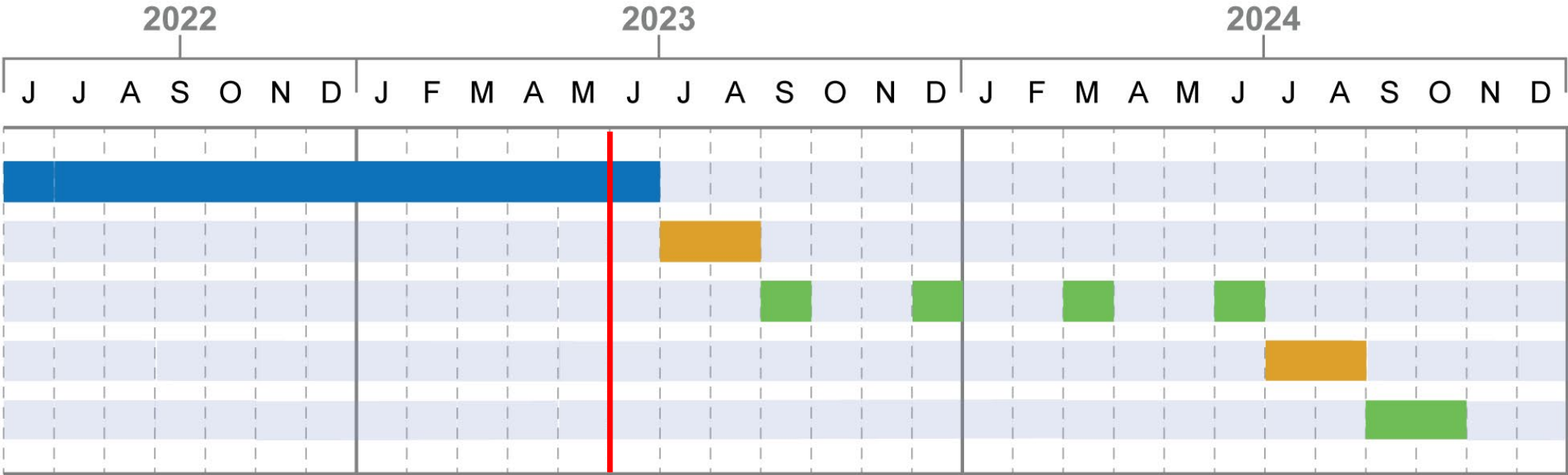
Before Demolition



After Demolition

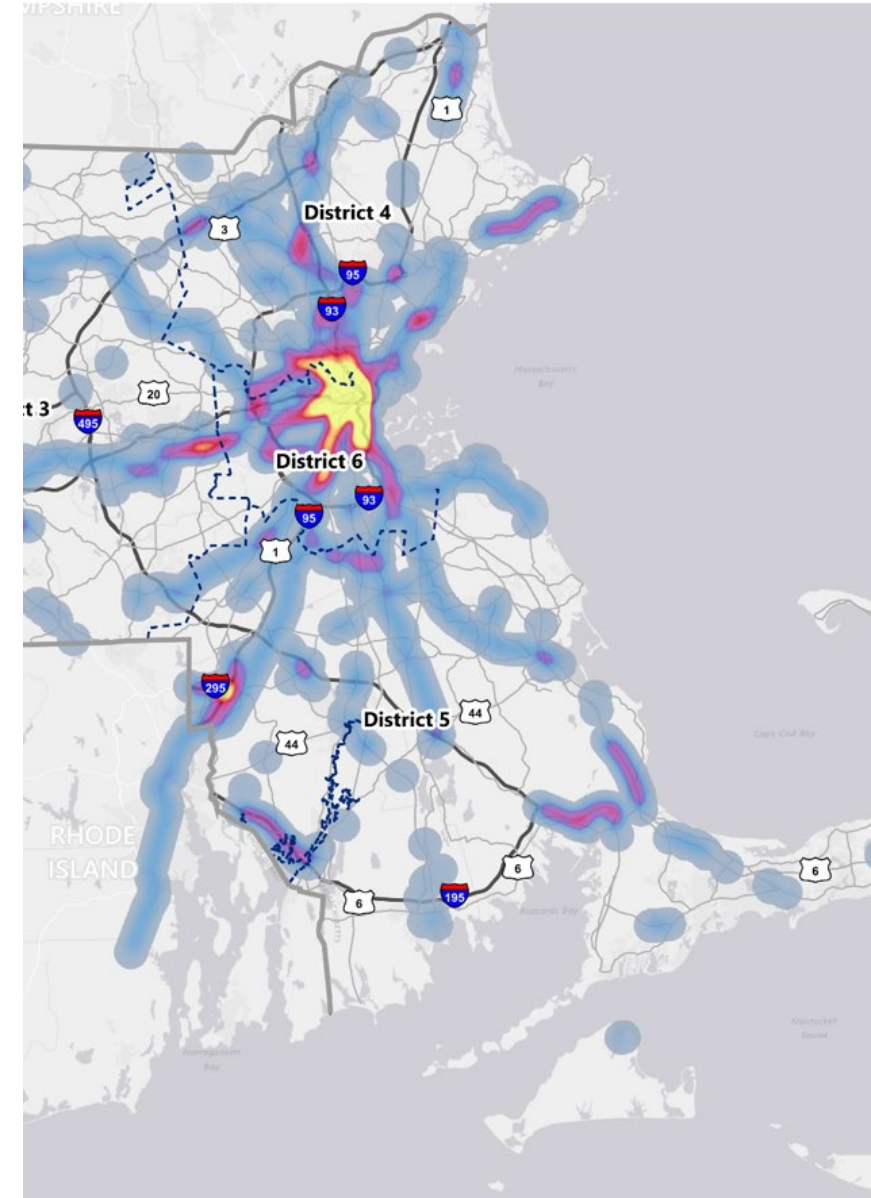


Tunnel Shutdown Schedule



Coordination with Adjacent Projects

- MassDOT has coordinated work with all major capital programs
- MassDOT has accelerated necessary maintenance activities in the area, including the Ted Williams (I-90) and Tip O'Neill (I-93) tunnels
- Where possible, work is being suspended on nearby projects
- Maintenance activity is being limited to emergency work and schedule for off hours
- Existing traffic confutations for fixed work zones have been incorporated into the management plan
- Command Center structure will be used for initial phase of construction



Project Communications Strategy

Explore Sumner Alternatives

Expected delays and plan ahead

- **Reduce**
 - If able, adjust your commute time or work from home
- **Reroute**
 - Alternate Routes
 - Travel Time Dashboard
 - Mass.gov/511
- **Re-mode**
 - Explore MBTA Transit, Ferry, and Commuter Rail
 - Carpool

THE SUMNER TUNNEL IS CLOSING
JULY 5, 2023 - AUGUST 31, 2023

YOUR COMMUTE
***WILL* BE IMPACTED**

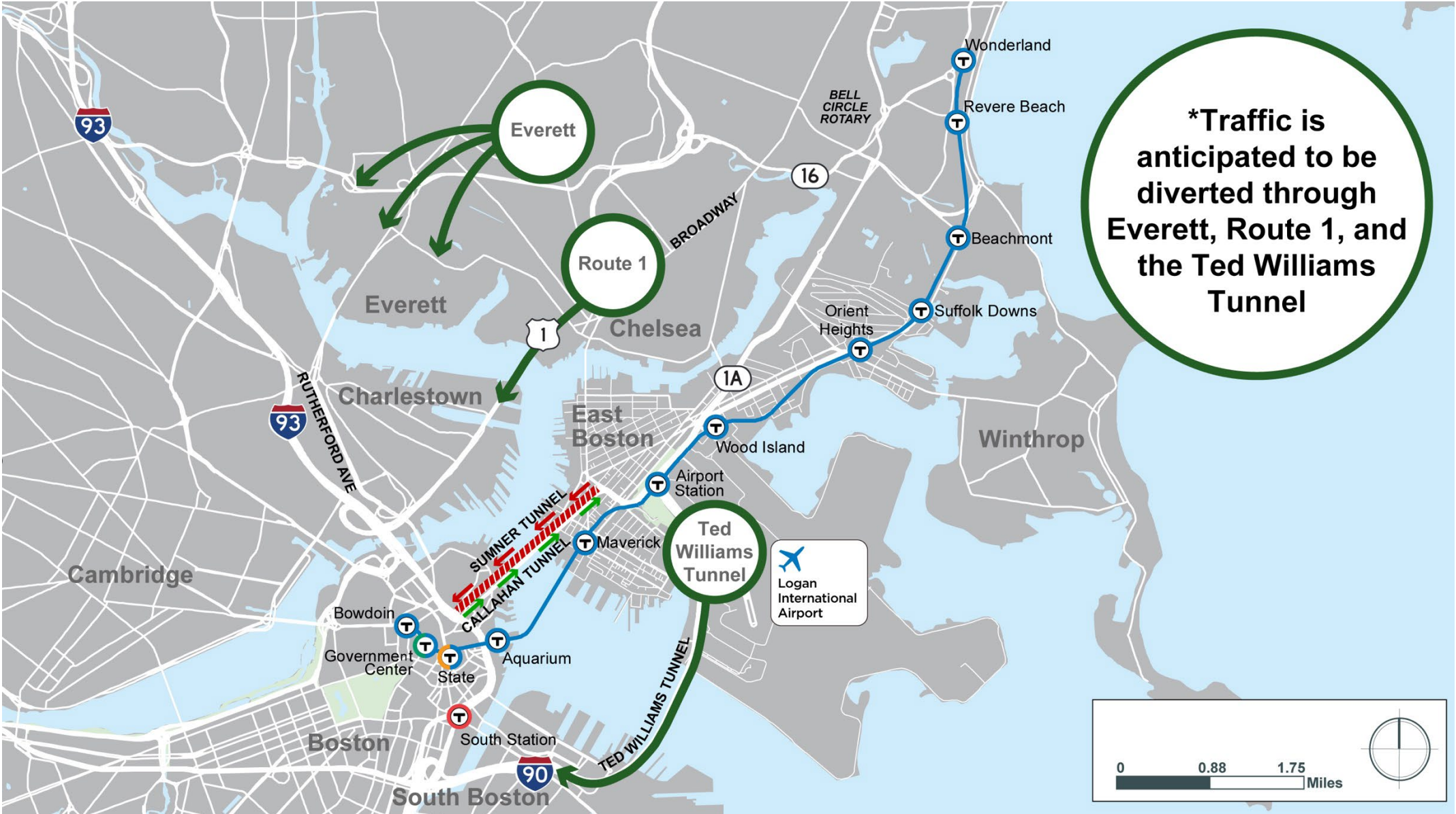


EXPLORE YOUR OPTIONS AND
PLAN YOUR ALTERNATIVE ROUTE

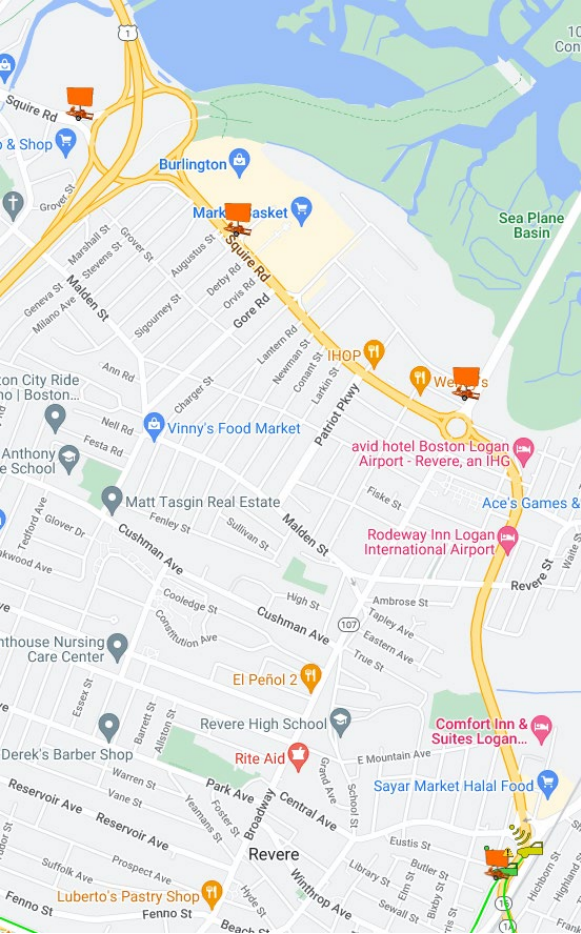
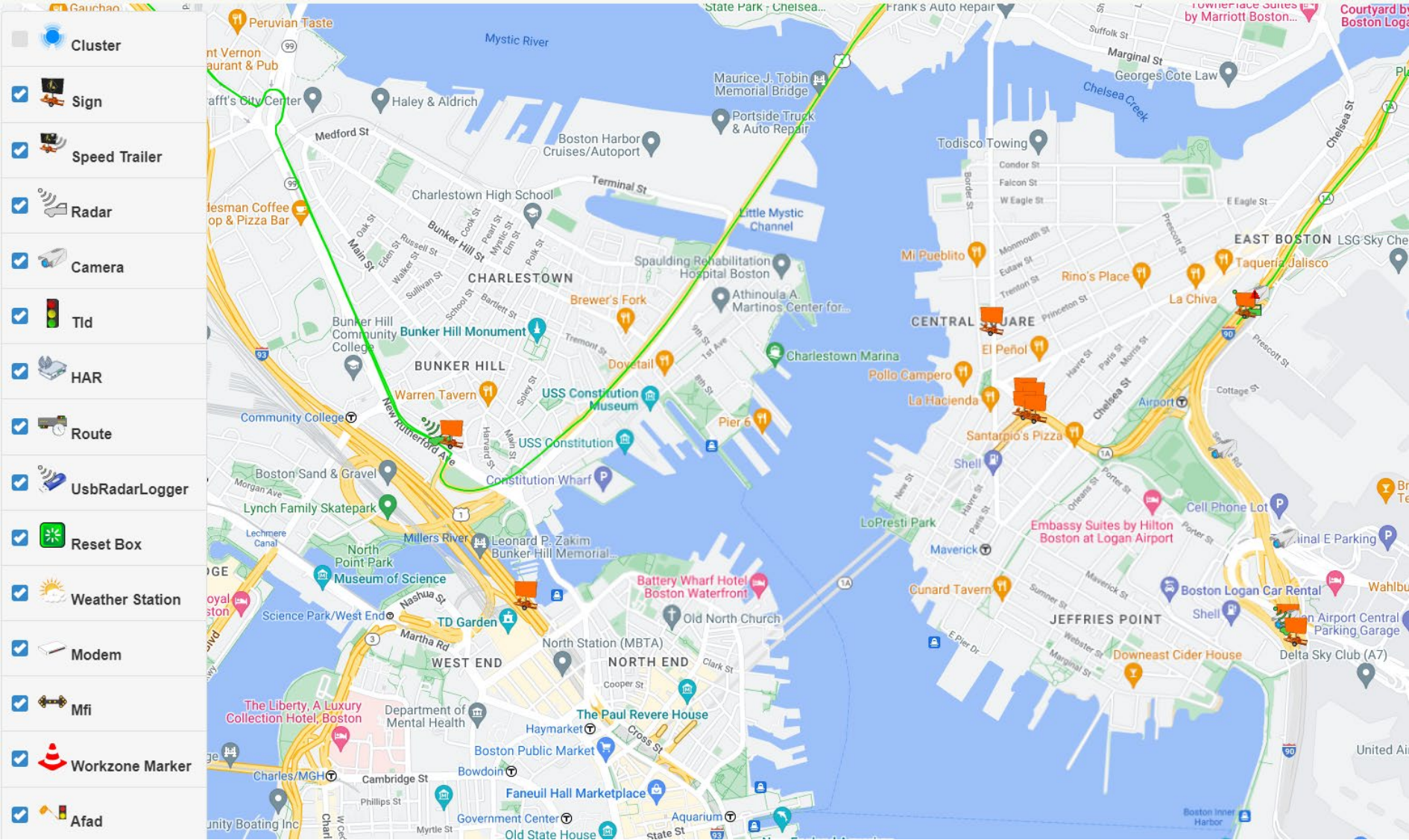


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MASS.GOV/SUMNER-TUNNEL

Traffic Diversions



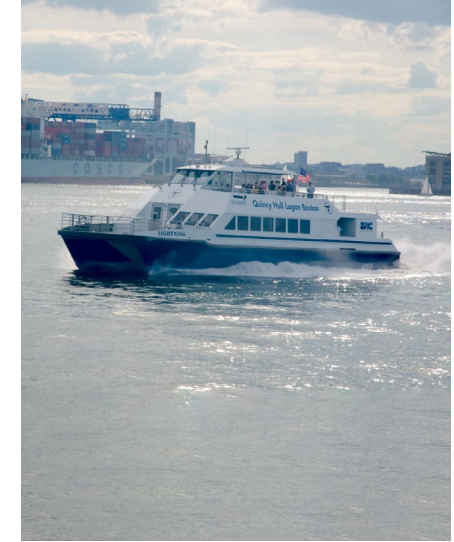
Real-time Traffic Monitoring



Managing Impacts

East Boston/North End

- Discounted tolls for the Tobin Bridge and Ted Williams Tunnel (must be in the Resident Discount Program)
- Free MBTA Ferry service from East Boston to Downtown
- Free monthly passes for July and August for residents enrolled in the Resident Discount Program
- Additional parking near Wood Island Station
- Signal phasing and timing changes
- Field Monitoring Units



North Shore

- Zone 1A fares for Salem and Swampscott inbound & outbound
- Additional capacity added to Newburyport/Rockport Commuter Line
- Salem, Swampscott, Beverley Depot and Rowley Commuter Rail parking lots reduced to \$2/day
- Discounted parking at all Blue Line lots (\$2 a day)
- Real Time information
- Transit passes (Revere and Winthrop)

Logan Airport

- Logan Express - 25% discount and kids >12 are free
- Real time data for shuttles from Airport Station to Logan
- "Skip the Line" Logan for all water transportation users
- Real time information on Silver Line shuttles
- Use of the I-90 EB Emergency Ramp

Managing Impacts - Public Safety

Ambulatory Service

- 2 additional ambulances during day shift
- 2 additional ambulances during evening shift
- 1 additional ambulance during overnight shift

Working with Boston EMS on a week-by-week basis to review data and adjust as needed.





Sumner Tunnel Closing
July 5 - August 31

PLAN AHEAD

Mass.Gov/Sumner-Tunnel



Public Outreach Activities May - June

Briefings

- Jefferies Point Neighborhood Associations (5/8)
- City of Boston (5/9)
- TNC Operators (5/9)
- Massport Cargo Consortium (5/10)
- Local Elected Officials (East Boston and the North End) (5/11 and 6/13)
- North Shore Elected Officials (TBD)
- Massport Taxi Industry (5/11)
- Maverick Central Neighborhood Association (5/16)
- Boston MPO (5/18)
- Massachusetts Legislature (House/Senate) (5/24 and 6/15)
- Ray Flynn Marine Park Business Association (5/23)
- Trucking Association of MA (5/23)
- Harbor View Neighborhood Association (6/5)

Public Outreach Activities May-June

Events / Pop-ups	Public Information Meetings
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Revere Public Library (5/2)• Chelsea Market Basket (5/3)• East Boston Little League Opening Day (5/6)• Piers Park Opening Day (5/6)• 10 Park Plaza (5/8)• Mayor Wu’s Coffee Hour (East Boston and the North End) (5/27, 5/24, and 5/31)• Kennedy Greenway (5/18, 5/25, 6/14, and 6/15)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Update project website• Provide regular project and traffic updates via email listserv• MassDOT social media posts• Press briefings• Press releases• Newspaper notices• Radio/Media

Project Communications

First Full Closure:
July 5 – August 31

Plan your commute:
Mass.gov/Sumner-Tunnel

Project Email:
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Project Hotline:
(508) 510-2920

Use your phone to
scan the QR code
at the right to
learn more about
your alternative
travel options.



Questions

