

Highway Report

Undersecretary and Highway Administrator
Jonathan Gulliver

July 22, 2026



Table of Contents

3. Storrow Drive Tunnel
4. I-90/I-495 Interchange Project Update
5. Woronoco Bridge Update
6. Williamstown Roundabout Update
7. Diadromous Fish Protections
8. Grant Central FY26 Awards
10. Appendix

Storrow Drive Tunnel

3

- Contractor: SPS New England
- Tunnel extends 1,280 feet, sees 58,000 vehicles per day
- Work done in partnership with DCR
- Phase I: 3/15/26 – 6/27/26
- Successful detour: no major backups or displaced congestion



- Phase I: remove, repair, replace ceiling concrete; recoating rebar
- Phase II: scope includes additional structural work under development
- Targeting fall 2026 for start of work

I-495/I-90 Interchange Project Update

4

- Contractor: Barletta, O & G – Aetna Joint Venture
- Cost: \$460 million
- Goal: Provide a safe and efficient interchange while alleviating traffic congestion
- Full beneficial use: May 2028
- New direct ramp provides access between I-90 WB and I-495 NB
- Previously all I-90 WB traffic looking to access I-495 exited in one location
- I-90 WB to I-495 south (Ramp WS) will exit first, followed by a second exit for traffic from I-90 to I-495 north (Ramp WN)
- Ramp WN is scheduled to open the first week of August 2026



Woronoco Bridge Update

5

- Effective June 24, weight restrictions lifted on I-90 over Westfield River, Route 20, CSX
- Restrictions took effect December 4, 2023
- Impacting traffic and freight: overweight vehicle detour along Route 20 added ~7 miles to route; doubled travel time because of lower roadway speeds, geometry
- Construction update: roadway work scheduled to finish by the end of the month; remaining work underneath will not impact traffic



Williamstown Roundabout Update

Routes 7 & 43 – Five Corners Roundabout

6

- Contractor: Morais Contractors
- Cost: \$4 million
- Completion: mid-November 2026; final punch list items and weather-sensitive plantings, landscaping
- Goal: complete reconfiguration of intersection of Routes 7 and 43 into roundabout
- Collaborated with town officials and the South Williamstown Civic Association on Bloedel Park improvements, including site marker honoring the Stockbridge Munsee nation



Diadromous Fish Protection

7

- Diadromous fish migrate between the ocean and freshwater lakes, ponds, rivers
- All improvements conducted in collaboration with Division of Marine Fisheries
- MassDOT protects diadromous fish runs by:
 - Allowing fish passage during construction
 - Improving culverts, fishways through the TIP, where feasible
- Recent completed projects (2025):
 - Acushnet – Hamlin Street Bridge
 - Dennis – Sesuit Creek culverts
- Upcoming project: Wareham – Mill Pond Bridge & Dam Replacement
 - Scheduled to be advertised August 1



Acushnet – Hamlin Street Bridge



Rendering of proposed Wareham – Mill Pond Bridge, Dam, and Fishway

Grant Central FY26 Awards

Municipal Feedback

8

- Program: Community Culvert Grant Program
- City: Gardner
- Award: \$904,885.25
- Project: Replace an actively failing and undersized culvert along Keyes Road with a prefabricated buried concrete rigid frame bridge. Roadway supports key local services and access for residents.

Message

Re: MassDOT Community Culvert Program Award

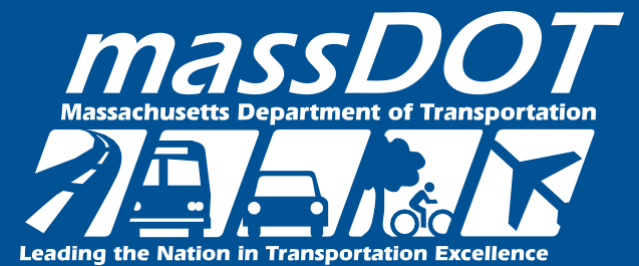
To: MassDOT Grant Programs

From: Gardner

“Goodness, this is outstanding news! I can barely string together how impactful the outcome of this decision will be for the community... I am beyond grateful to the team at MassDOT for helping the city find a path forward with this project. ”



Thank You



Appendix

I-495/I-90 Interchange Project Update

11



- The \$394 million project will provide a safe and efficient interchange of interstates I-495 and I-90, while alleviating traffic congestion
- Construction has been ongoing since 2022, and the full beneficial use milestone is on schedule for May 2028
- Recent traffic milestone progress includes the opening of the I-90 eastbound on-ramp (Exit 58) from I-495 southbound on Thursday, July 9.

Grant Central FY26 Awards

Municipal Feedback Highlights

12

- In May 2026, the Highway Division announced 195 grant awards totaling \$85.5 million made through Grant Central's six competitive grant programs

Message

Re: MassDOT Local Bottleneck Reduction Program Award

To: MassDOT Grant Programs
From: Freetown

"This funding will make a meaningful difference for residents, businesses, and all who travel through our community."

Message

Re: MassDOT Community Culvert P

To: MassDOT Grant Programs
From: Bolton

"Without this invaluable assistance, I am not certain when this project would have been executed."

Message

Re: MassDOT Unpaved Roads Program Award

To: MassDOT Grant Programs
From: Blandford

"I just wanted to say thank you to everyone who made this investment into Blandford possible. This opportunity is going to benefit the town for many years to come."

Grant Central FY26 Awards

Municipal Feedback Highlights

13

Message

Re: MassDOT Community Culvert Program Award

To: MassDOT Grant Programs

From: Gardner

"I am beyond grateful to the team at MassDOT for helping the city find a path forward with this project."



Re: MassDOT Program Award

To: MassDOT Grant Programs

From: Taunton

"Thank you for the continued support from MassDOT and maintaining beneficial programs like Complete Streets and Shared Streets. The City of Taunton has been fortunate to continue to receive funding awards and bring projects to life."



Re: MassDOT Community Culvert Program Award

To: MassDOT Grant Programs

From: Raynham

"We appreciate all the state officials, its programs and MassDOT for helping cities and towns like Raynham with funding support to keep our infrastructure safe and long lasting for the future of our communities."

Grant Central FY26 Awards

Municipal Feedback Highlights

14

Re: MassDOT Community Culvert Program Award

To: MassDOT Grant Programs
From: Middlefield

"MassDOT has been such a tremendous partner to the town of Middlefield over the past two years, and our little town would be in drastically worse shape without that assistance."

Re: MassDOT Community Culvert

To: MassDOT Grant Programs
From: Gardner

"Goodness, this is outstanding news! I can barely string together how impactful the outcome of this decision will be for the community."

Re: Small Bridge Program Award

To: MassDOT Grant Programs
From: West Stockbridge

"This is HUGE award for West Stockbridge and it is Greatly Appreciated... THANK YOU...THANK YOU...THANK YOU!!!"