

# Hammond Pond Parkway Reconstruction 25% Public Meeting









# Meeting Logistics

- Two ways to ask questions during the meeting
  - Raise your hand
  - Use Q&A feature
- You will have the opportunity to submit comments over the course of the next four weeks at:
  - DCR Public Comments <u>https://www.mass.gov/forms/dcr-public-comments</u>
- Please note that this meeting will be recorded; the recording will be a public record



# **Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

Governor Charles D. Baker

Lieutenant Governor **Karyn E. Polito** 

Energy and Environmental Secretary Kathleen A. Theoharides

Department of Conservation and Recreation Commissioner Jim Montgomery



# Project Team

#### **Department of Conservation and Recreation** Project Proponent – Responsible for design process & construction funding



#### City of Newton

Project Stakeholder – Responsible for coordination with public outreach

#### **BSC Group**

Design Consultant – Roadway design, landscape architecture and permitting







### **Project Location**





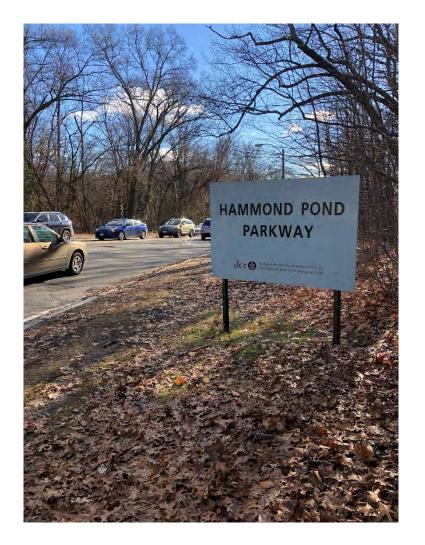
# Existing Parkway

- Existing roadway was built in 1934
- The roadway consists of two lanes in each direction.
- Overall length is approximately one mile
- Roadway crosses over D Branch of the MBTA's Green Line on a single span bridge
- Three signalized intersections within project limits
- Coordination with MassDOT required for modifications to bridge and minor improvements at Route 9
- Limited sidewalks and bicycle accommodation





# **Project Goals**



- Redesign Hammond Pond Parkway as a "complete street" gem in the DCR parkway system
- Provide safe bicycle and pedestrian accommodation along parkway via a twelve-foot wide shared use path
- Provide two travel lanes from Beacon Street to The Shoppes at Chestnut Hill driveway.
- Maintain existing travel lane configuration from The Shoppes at Chestnut Hill driveway to Route 9
- Provide improved access to adjacent conservation areas
- Construct landscaped buffer between roadway and shared use path with extensive plantings



### Similar Success Stories – Greenough Boulevard





#### Before





#### Similar Success Stories – Nonantum Road





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# Similar Success Stories – Truman Parkway











# Getting to Today

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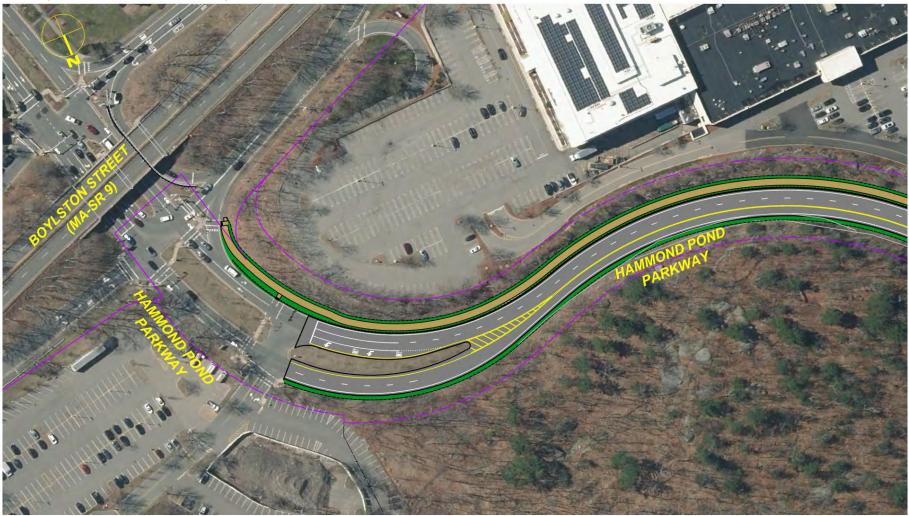
- Notice to Proceed with design
- Survey
- Traffic Counts
- City of Newton Coordination Meetings (2)
- Traffic Report

#### • 2020

- Lighting coordination meeting with utility company
- 25% design plans and estimate completed
- 2021
  - 25% Public Meeting



### Proposed Improvements – 1 of 5, south to north





### Proposed Improvements – 2 of 5, south to north





### Proposed Improvements – 3 of 5, south to north





### Proposed Improvements – 4 of 5, south to north



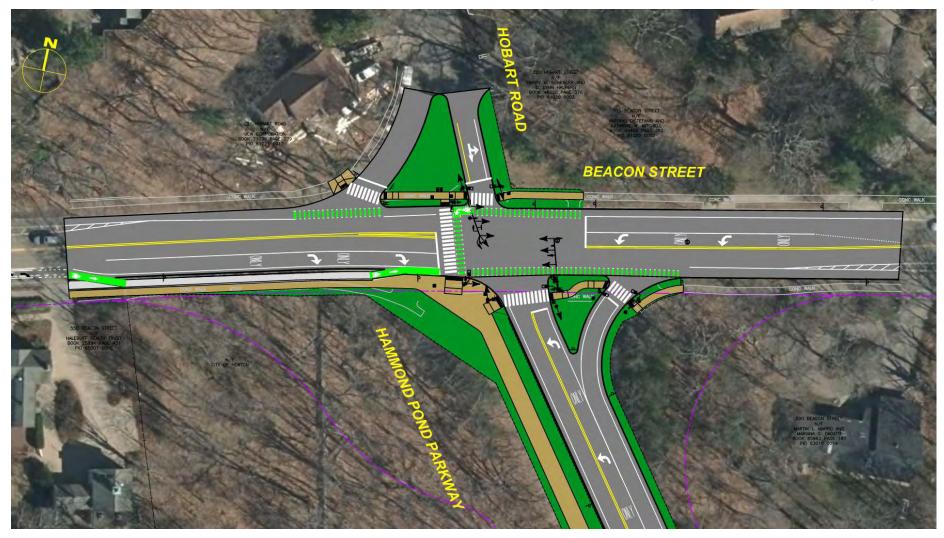


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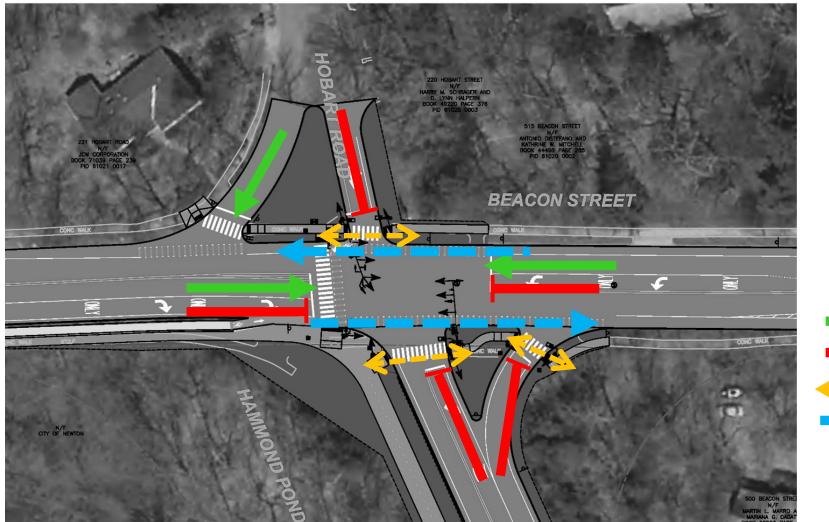


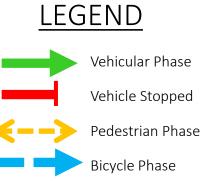


### Beacon Street at Hammond Pond Parkway

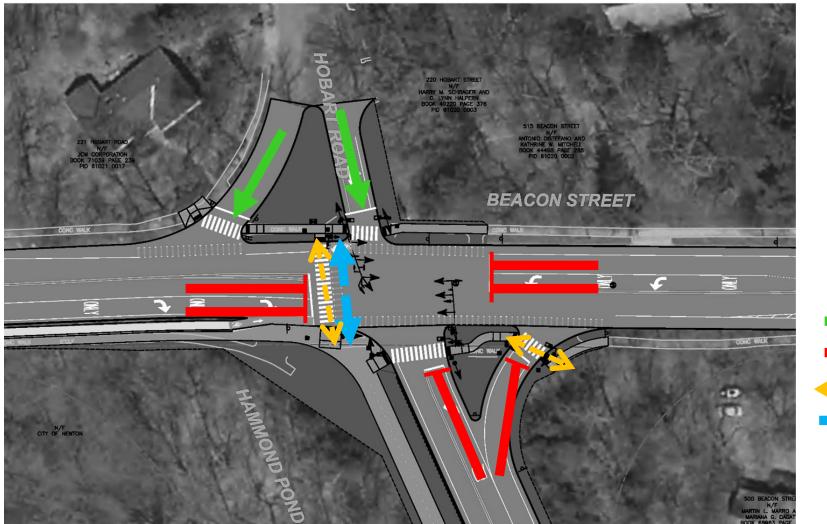


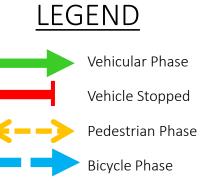




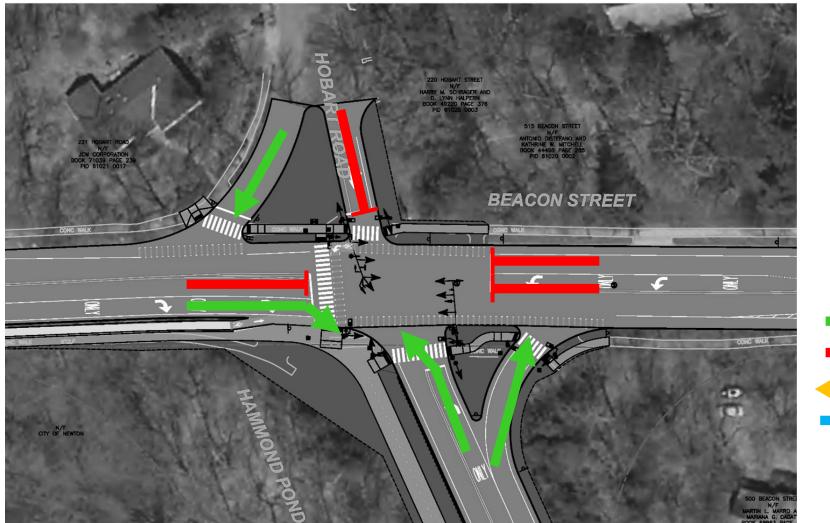


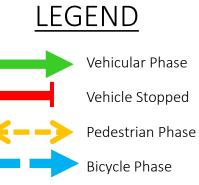




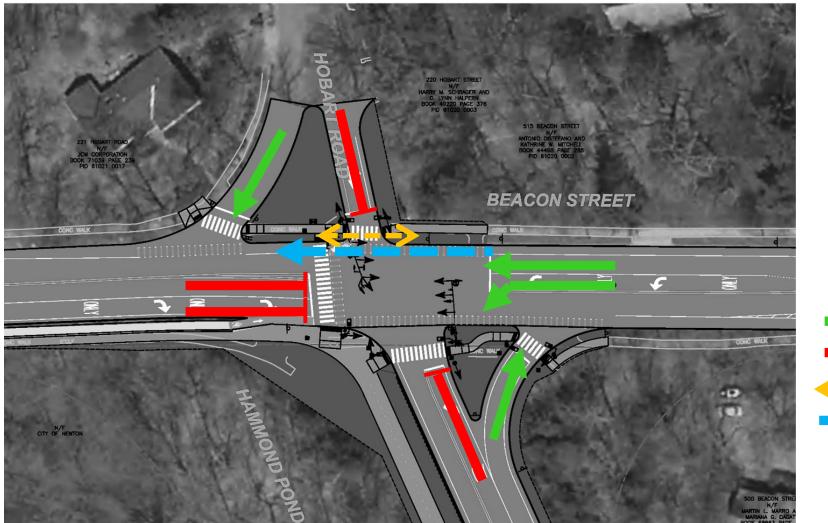


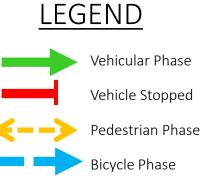










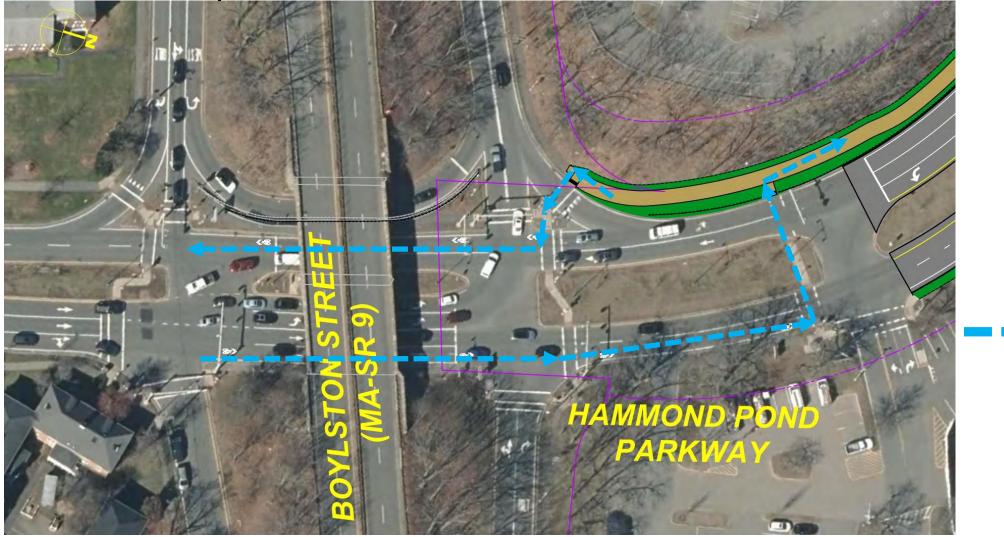




# Bicycle Connection – Hammond Pond Parkway South

LEGEND

**Bicycle Route** 





### Hammond Pond Parkway – Proposed Section View





# Typical View of Shared Use Path and Parkway





# View of 300 Hammond Pond Parkway Driveway











### View to the north from 300 Hammond Pond Parkway









# Environmental Permitting/Stormwater Design



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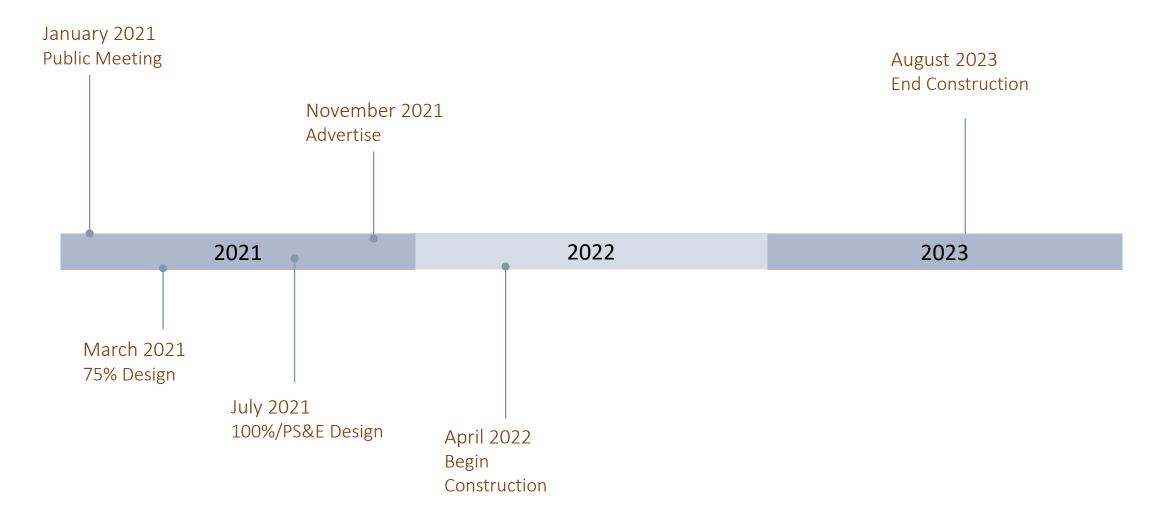
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- Wetlands are located on both sides of the parkway. The proposed work is within the Newton Conservation Commission jurisdiction. A Notice of Intent will be filed for the work.
- A PNF will be filed with MA Historic Commission.
- MEPA coordination may be required.
- Ground disturbance likely to require preparation of a Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan
- A brook near the north end of the project limits crosses under the parkway via a concrete box culvert. Existing direct connections to the culvert will be eliminated. New drain system to be installed within areas of new roadway construction.



# Current Project Schedule





# Additional Information

#### For more information:

www.mass.gov/dcr/past-public-meetings\_

#### If you have comments or suggestions on this project:

- Submit online: <u>www.mass.gov/dcr/public-comment</u>
- Deadline: Thursday, February 18, 2021

Please note: the contents of comments submitted to DCR, including your name, town and zipcode, will be posted on DCR's website. Additional contact information provided, notably email address, will only be used for outreach on future updates to the subject project or property.

#### If you wish to subscribe to a DCR general information or project-related

**listserv:** contact DCR's Office of Community Relations at 617-626-4973 or <u>Mass.Parks@mass.gov</u>.