

I-90 ALLSTON MULTIMODAL PROJECT

TASK FORCE MEETING

GENERAL UPDATE

JUNE 16, 2025



1. Project Schedule

Key milestones/activities include:

NEPA

2025 June	MassDOT/FHWA Review Process (Ongoing)
2025 Late Summer	File DEIS

Interchange Modification Report (IMR)

2025 April	Interchange Modification Report submitted to FHWA
2025 May	Receive feedback from FHWA (Ongoing)
2025 June	Respond to FHWA feedback (Ongoing)
2025 July	Present Briefing to the Task Force

MEPA

2025 Late Summer	File Supplemental DEIR
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2. Layover Update

Discussions are continuing with the City of Boston to identify alternate locations within the City to offset layover currently proposed at Beacon Park Yard. A consultant is being engaged by MassDOT Planning to assist in identifying viable layover options and a draft scope for the consultant services has been provided to the City of Boston for their review.

3. Preservation Projects Update

Cambridge Street Bridge Preservation, Allston, MA

Preservation work on the Cambridge Street Bridge in Allston, MA is scheduled to begin July 2025. Work includes addressing structural and accessibility elements to improve the functionality of the bridge until it is replaced as part of the Allston Multimodal Project. National Grid's utility contractor has mobilized and work on the gas main is currently underway.

I-90 Viaduct Preservation, Allston, MA

Preservation work on the I-90 Viaduct in Allston, MA is ongoing. Work includes addressing elements that require immediate attention to keep the structure safe, operational and avoid load restrictions. These repairs, which will improve safety and extend the service life of the viaduct, are expected to be completed by winter 2026/2027.

4. Allston Community Path

To recognize the evolution of the previously designated “south side buffer path” along the southern project limit to an integral community feature, the designation of this project element has been changed from “south side buffer path” to the “Allston Community Path.” This change will be reflected in all upcoming environmental filings.

5. Worcester Mainline

To be consistent with MBTA systemwide rail terminology, the previously designated “Worcester Mainline Commuter Rail Express Tracks” will be referred to as the Worcester Main Line in all upcoming environmental filings.

6. Reconnecting Communities and Neighborhoods Grant

MassDOT’s Project schedule is aligned to maintain the Reconnecting Communities and Neighborhoods Grant obligation deadline. MassDOT continues to monitor and engage with FHWA and the Massachusetts delegation regarding the status of the grant. In addition, MassDOT is working with the project team to expedite filing of environmental documents to add contingency to the schedule for obtaining the necessary environmental Record of Decision.

7. Project Funding

MassDOT is currently updating the Project finance plan.