



Gardner – North Central Pathway Extension Project

What is happening?

A virtual Design Public Hearing is being conducted to allow the public to become aware of the North Central Pathway Extension project (MassDOT Project #613260). The project panelists will present the current design plans, anticipated construction schedule, and general construction impacts. All views and comments submitted in response to the hearing will be reviewed and considered to the maximum extent practicable.

How will this affect you?

The North Central Pathway Extension is designed to enhance pedestrian and bicycle accessibility by completing a shared-use path (SUP) that will connect downtown Winchendon with downtown Gardner. This project will reuse a former railbed, transforming it into a 10- to 12-foot-wide asphalt path that promotes safe, healthy transportation options between the two communities. The path will begin at the former railbed, at the terminus of a recently completed city-led SUP project, near Jackson Street and extend approximately 1.5 miles north to Green Street (State Route 140). Project limits will be coordinated with the adjacent SUP bridge project (#609108) over Route 140.

When

Tuesday, June 16, 2026
6:00 PM

Attend

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Project inquiries may also be emailed to MassDOTProjectManagement@dot.state.ma.us. Please submit any written statements regarding the proposed undertaking to: **Carrie A. Lavalley, P.E., Chief Engineer, MassDOT, 10 Park Plaza, Boston, MA 02116, Attention: PROJECT MANAGEMENT, PROJECT FILE NO. 613260**