

# Natick – Route 27 over Route 9 Bridge Replacement and Interchange Improvements Project Fact Sheet

### **Project Overview**

- This project will replace the existing structurally deficient Route 27 bridge over Route 9 and reconfigure the interchange to be a modified Diverging Diamond that will increase safety, improve mobility, and ease congestion.
- The project includes a network of shared use paths for use by pedestrians and cyclists, which will provide connectivity to schools, transit, major employers, and to the Cochituate Rail Trail.

# **Project Status**

- Project construction started in the fall of 2024 and is planned to be complete in stages through summer 2030.
- This Design-Build project, which combines final design and construction into a single phase, is being built by McCourt Construction and Jacobs Solutions Inc.

## **The Modified Diverging Diamond**

- The project constructs three bridges, one for each direction of traffic on Route 27, and one for pedestrians and cyclists on the shared use path.
- The modified Diverging Diamond allows left turning vehicles from Route 27 to Route 9 to avoid conflicts with opposing traffic.
- Acceleration and deceleration lanes to merge onto Route 9 will be improved, to increase safety.
- Two new, simple two-phase traffic signals will be installed where the northbound and southbound travel lanes cross on Route 27.
- New median and roadway barriers, and guardrail will be installed along Route 9 and Route 27.
- 226 trees of native plant species will be planted as part of the project.

## **Pedestrian and Cyclist Connectivity**

- An extensive shared use path network will include links to MathWorks campuses, local businesses, schools, and the Cochituate Rail Trail.
- Pedestrian actuated signals, warning systems, and crosswalks will be installed at pedestrian crossings.
- The project constructs four new MWRTA bus stops within the project limits.
- All pedestrian, cyclist, and transit facilities will conform to current ADA standards.

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