

Vietnam Veterans' Memorial Bridge Replacement

What is happening?

The bridge carrying I-391 over Route 116, locally Chicopee Street, though safe for all users, has reached the end of its useful lifespan and must be replaced. Replacement of the structure will provide the residents of Willimansett and the traveling public with a new bridge with a 75-year design life, built to modern standards, that will require less maintenance which can come with noise and congestion. The proposed new structure will restore the existing bridge's intended full capacity with three lanes in each direction.

How will this affect you?

Staged construction will be used to maintain traffic on Chicopee Street and I-391 during demolition of the existing bridge and construction of its replacement. Limited detours and closures will be required at times to ensure public safety during certain operations. This meeting represents an opportunity for MassDOT to provide the community with an update on how the design has progressed since the project was first presented to the public this April. New information about construction period detours, staging, and impacts will be provided.

When Where

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 8th, 2025 6:00PM

CHICOPEE COMPRENSIVE HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM 617 MONTGOMERY STREET
CHICOPEE MA 01013

Please note a set of minutes will be generated for this meeting.

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Please submit any written statements regarding the proposed undertaking to: Carrie A. Lavallee, P.E.,
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