

PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING JANUARY 22, 2020

AT

RAYNHAM TOWN HALL, SECOND FLOOR

RAYNHAM, MASSACHUSETTS

6:30 PM

FOR THE PROPOSED

RESURFACING AND RELATED WORK ON ROUTE 138 PROJECT

IN THE TOWN OF RAYNHAM, MASSACHUSETTS

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION HIGHWAY DIVISION

JONATHAN GULLIVER HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATOR

PATRICIA A. LEAVENWORTH, P.E. CHIEF ENGINEER

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION – HIGHWAY DIVISION <u>NOTICE OF A PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING</u>

Project File No. 608267

A Public Information Meeting will be held by MassDOT to discuss the proposed Resurfacing and Related Work on Route 138 project in Raynham, MA.

WHERE: Raynham Town Hall, Second Floor 558 S. Main street Raynham, MA 02767

WHEN: Wednesday, January 22, 2020 @ 6:30PM

- PURPOSE: The purpose of this meeting is to provide the public with the opportunity to become fully acquainted with the proposed Resurfacing and Related Work on Route 138 project. All views and comments made at the meeting will be reviewed and considered to the maximum extent possible.
- PROPOSAL: The proposed project consists of the reconstruction of Route 138 (Broadway) from approximately 300 feet north of King Philip Street to just south of the I-495 ramps, continuing just north of the I-495 interchange to Robinson Street. The proposed improvements will enhance vehicular, pedestrian, and bicycle safety at the Route 138/Carver Street and Route 138/Elm Street intersections. New sidewalks will be constructed along the corridor on both sides of the roadway in compliance with Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards. Bicycle accommodations will be provided in both directions along Route 138 and will generally consist of a 6' bicycle lane separated from vehicular traffic by a 3' buffer.

A secure right-of-way is necessary for this project. Acquisitions in fee and permanent or temporary easements may be required. The Commonwealth of Massachusetts is responsible for acquiring all needed rights in private or public lands. MassDOT's policy concerning land acquisitions will be discussed at this meeting.

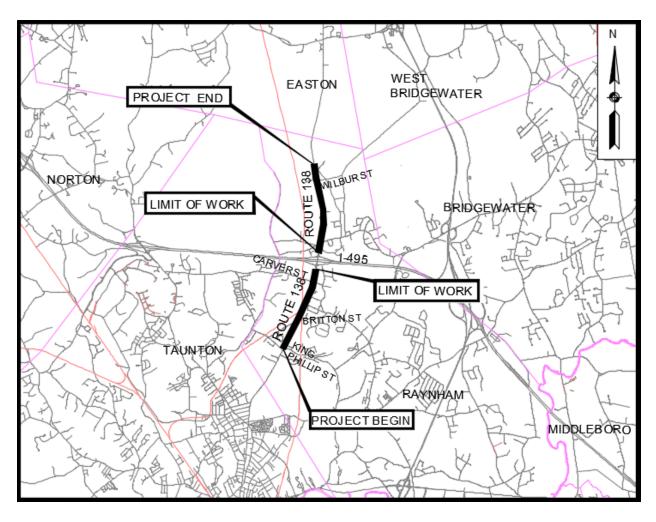
Written views received by MassDOT subsequent to the date of this notice and up to five (5) days prior to the date of the meeting shall be displayed for public inspection and copying at the time and date listed above. Plans will be on display one-half hour before the meeting begins, with an engineer in attendance to answer questions regarding this project. A project handout will be made available on the MassDOT website listed below.

Written statements and other exhibits in place of, or in addition to, oral statements made at the Public Information Meeting regarding the proposed undertaking are to be submitted to Patricia A. Leavenworth, P.E., Chief Engineer, MassDOT, 10 Park Plaza, Boston, MA 02116, Attention: Roadway Project Management, Project File No. 608267. Such submissions will also be accepted at the meeting. Mailed statements and exhibits intended for inclusion in the public meeting transcript must be postmarked no later than ten (10) business days after this Public Information Meeting. Project inquiries may be emailed to dot.feedback.highway@state.ma.us

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In case of inclement weather, meeting cancellation announcements will be posted on the internet at http://www.massdot.state.ma.us/Highway/

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MassDOT Project File No. 608267 – Raynham Route 138 – Locus Map

(not to scale)

Project Description

The Massachusetts Department of Transportation – Highway Division (MassDOT) is proposing the reconstruction of Route 138 (Broadway) in the Town of Raynham from just north of King Philip Street to Robinson Street, with intersection improvements proposed at the Route 138/Carver Street and Route 138/Elm Street. The total length of the project is approximately 2.86 miles

Proposed Improvements

The proposed project consists of the reconstruction of Route 138 (Broadway) from approximately 300 feet north of King Philip Street to just south of the I-495 ramps, continuing just north of the I-495 interchange to Robinson Street. New sidewalks will be constructed along the corridor on both sides of the roadway in compliance with Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards. Bicycle accommodations will be provided in both directions along Route 138 and will generally consist of a 6' bicycle lane separated from vehicular traffic by a 3' buffer. Intersection improvements at Route 138/Carver Street include the addition of left-turn lanes along Route 138, new pedestrian crossing signals, updated traffic signal equipment, and signage/pavement markings. Intersection improvements at Route 138, new pedestrian crossing signals, updated traffic signal equipment, and signage/pavement markings. A new overhead pedestrian activated traffic signal will be installed to replace the existing unsignalized crosswalk near the U.S. Post Office located between Center Street and Britton Street.

Existing Conditions

The proposed project is located entirely with the Town of Raynham, MA. The majority of Route 138 consists of two travel lanes, with one lane in each direction. The roadway widens to four lanes near the I-495 ramps. Route 138 is functionally classified as an Urban Minor Arterial. Carver Street is functionally classified as an Urban Collector to the west of Route 138 and a Local Roadway to the east of Route 138. Elm Street is functionally classified as an Urban Collector to the east of Route 138 and a Local Roadway to the west of Route 138.

Right of Way Impacts

There are properties that require permanent acquisitions or easements by the Massachusetts Department of Transportation for the proposed sidewalks. Temporary constructions easements will be required to accommodate grading along both sides of the roadway. Permanent utility easements will also be required.

Maintenance of Traffic During Construction

The intent of this project is that all streets remain open to through traffic during construction. However, some temporary lane reductions may be required to facilitate the construction process. Driveway access for abutting properties shall be maintained at all times during construction.

Project Status – Project Schedule

The project has been programmed in the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program for Federal Fiscal Year 2021.

Project Construction Cost

The project construction costs will be funded with a combination of moneys from the Federal Highway Administration and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and is currently estimated at approximately \$18.0 million.