



Cambridge - Alewife Brook Parkway Over MBTA Red Line Tunnel Bridge Superstructure Replacement

Virtual Public Meeting

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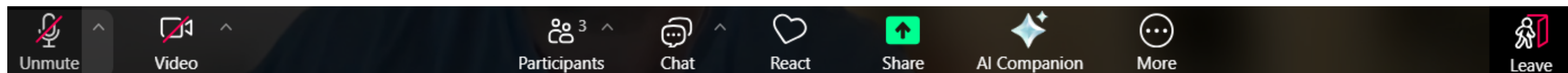


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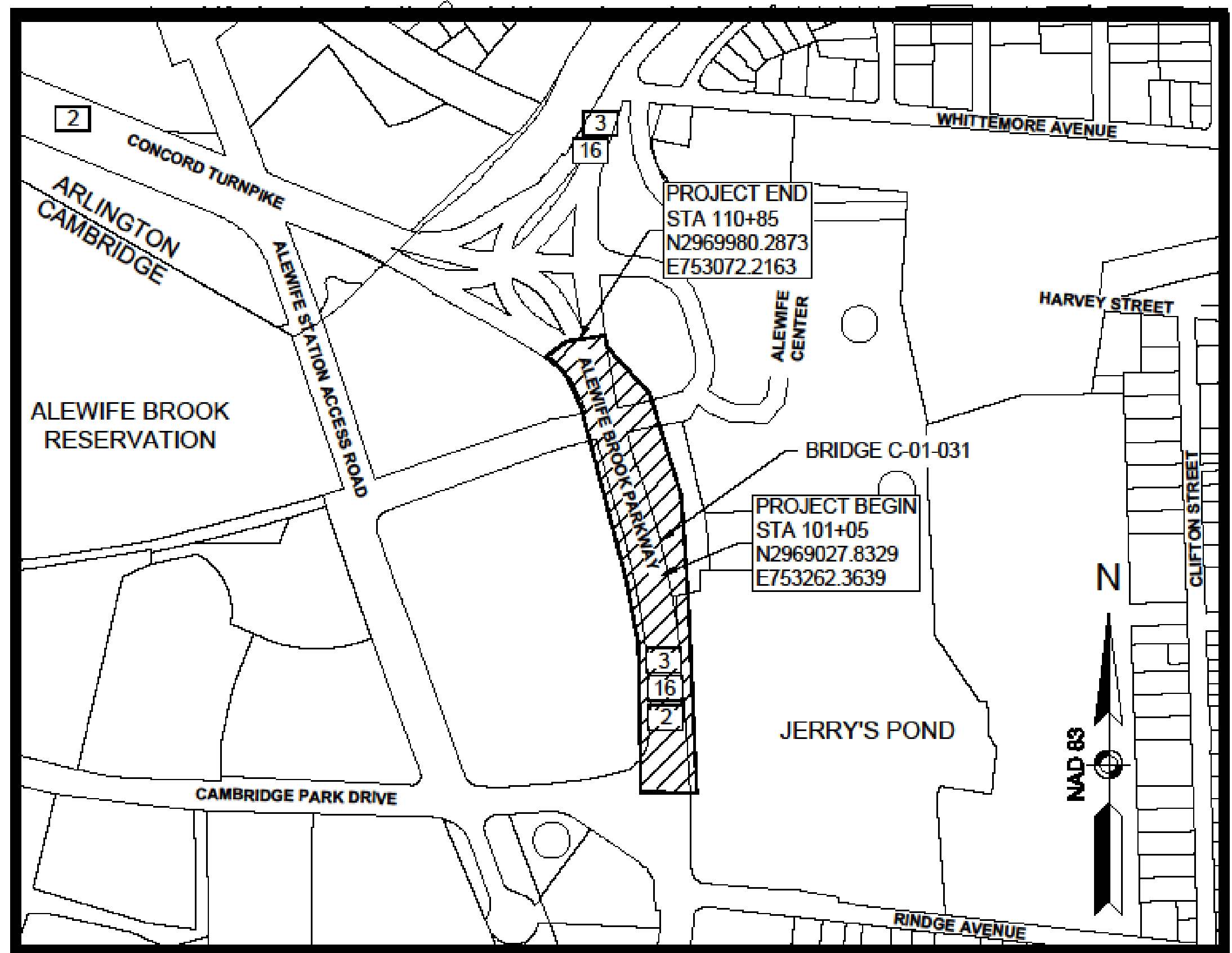
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Thank you for joining our meeting. We appreciate your participation!

Agenda

- Introductions
- Project Overview
- Design
- Construction Approach
- Impacts to Community
- How to Reach Us
- Q&A



Introductions

- **MassDOT**

- Daniel Burke, District 6
- Sardar Jajan, District 6
- Chuck Sabella, District 6
- Shahpar Negah, Project Manager
- Dan Fielding, Intergovernmental Affairs

- **Design Consultant (HNTB)**

- Patrick Marvin, Public Involvement Lead
- Gaby MacNeil, Design Project Manager

- **Contractor (Northern Construction)**

- Kurt Cormier





Project Background

Project Map



Project Goal

*To improve the **safety** and capacity of the bridge while **limiting impacts** to the roadway users, abutting properties, and path networks in and around the project site.*

How will we accomplish this goal?

- New bridge superstructure designed to last 75+ years
- New surface, roadway lane striping, sidewalk, and bridge rails

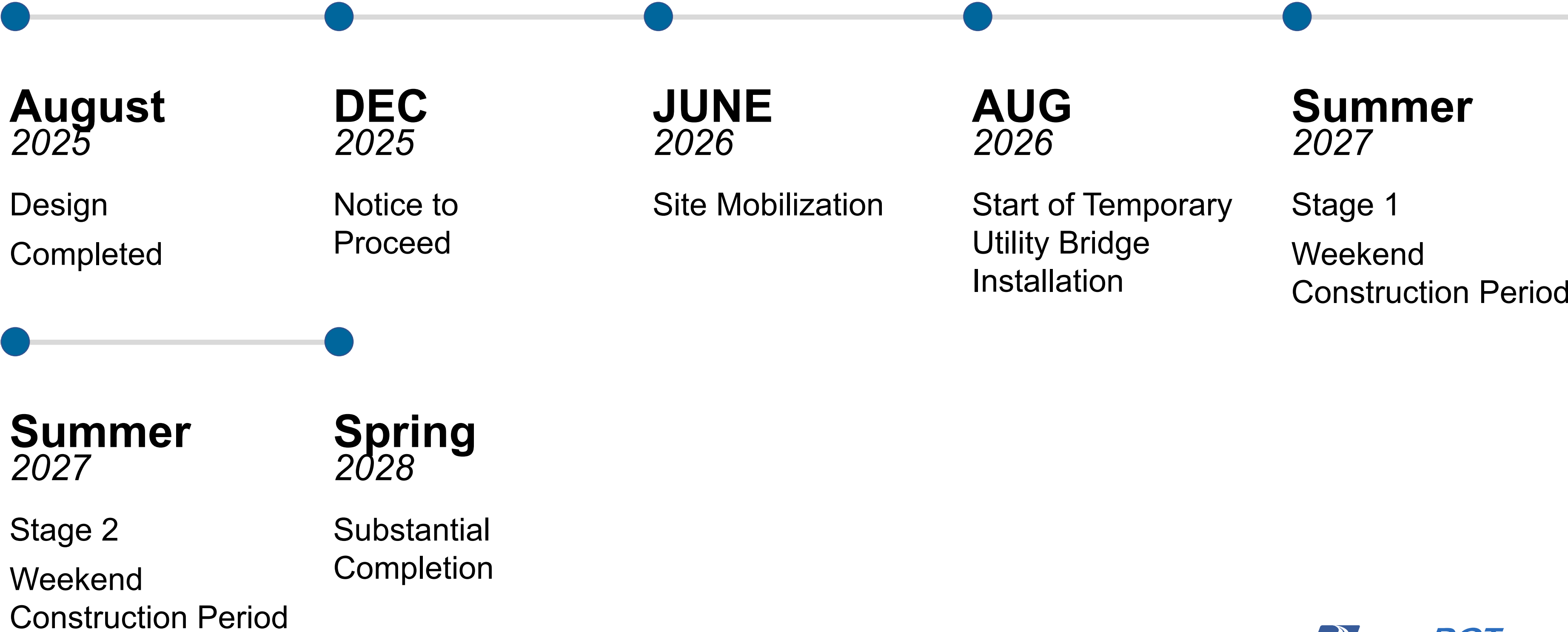


How will we accomplish this goal?

- **Accelerated** construction techniques
- MBTA Station and Garage **accessible**
- Provide signage for **detours** and **alternate** pedestrian paths
- **Upgrade** alternate paths to be **ADA compliant** as needed
- **Continued** coordination with the community and nearby MBTA and IQHQ projects



Schedule



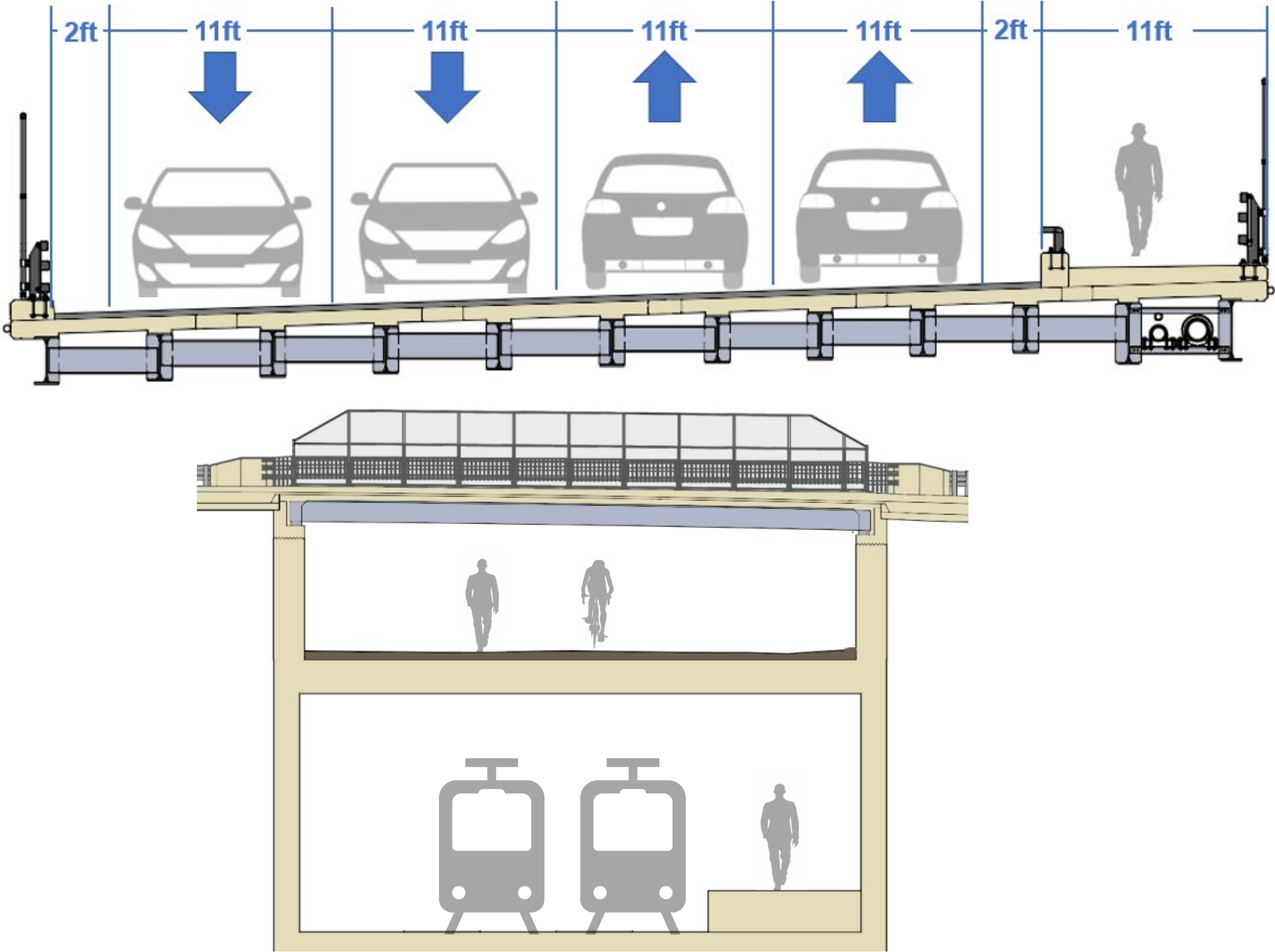
Construction Cost and Funding

- The contractor is Northern Construction
- The total contract value is approximately \$7,952,520
- Notice to Proceed was issued on December 9, 2025
- Funding:
 - 80% federal funding
 - 20% state funding



Design

Proposed Bridge





**What is the
construction
approach?**

Construction Approach - Overview

- Staged construction using **Accelerated** Bridge Construction (ABC) Techniques
 - Will require **two weekend periods** of roadway impacts during summer 2027
- **Minimize** noise and disturbance where possible; implement dust control measures
- **Maintain** access to local businesses and MBTA Station
- **Minimize** impacts to utilities during construction
- Work hours planned for
 - Typical daytime hours of 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. from Monday through Friday
 - 2 construction weekends in Summer 2027 each from Friday p.m. to Monday a.m.
 - Isolated night work for sidewalk reconstruction at end of project



**How will your
community be
impacted?**

Impacts to the Community

During Construction

- Sidewalk **on bridge** anticipated to be **closed for entire duration** of the project
- Bike network **under bridge** anticipated to be **closed during the following events:**
 - Utility work during daytime hours in Summer through late Fall 2026
 - **Two weekend** construction periods during Summer 2027
- Temporary pedestrian and bike detours will be in place during these events
- MBTA station access and garage **will remain open**
- MBTA train operations **not impacted**
- **Periodic single lane closures** on Alewife Parkway as needed

Initial Work Activities

- Installing erosion/sedimentation controls, tree protection, and tree trimming
- installing temporary shoring
- Installing temporary utility bridge and temporary gas main
- Installing overhang brackets
- Removing and resetting lighting
- Saw cutting abutments



**How will we
keep you
informed?**

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**Questions and
answers**

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- Click react, then “Raise your hand” to be unmuted for verbal questions (Alt + Y if using a phone)



- Submit your questions and comments using the chat function



- Please state your name before your question



- Please share only 1 question or comment at a time, limited to 2 minutes, to allow others to participate



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Thank You

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Appendix

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Temporary Pedestrian Detour – All Times (No bicycle detour)



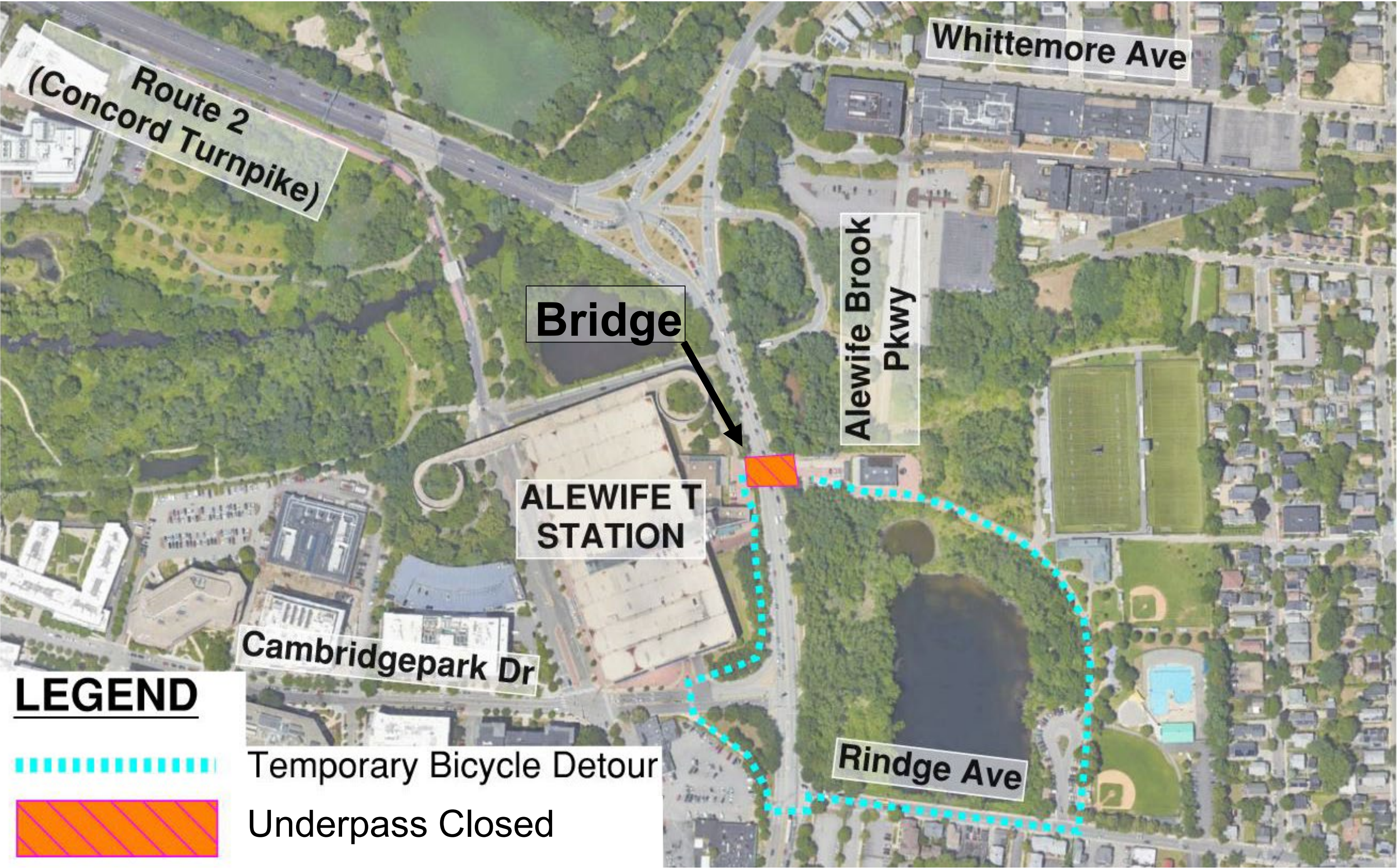
Impacts to Community

Temporary Pedestrian Detour – Weekends



Impacts to Community

Temporary Bicycle Detour – Weekends



Impacts to Community

(Temporary Weekend Overnight Vehicle Detour Route)



LEGEND

-  TEMPORARY VEHICLE DETOUR ROUTE
-  WORK ZONE

Impacts to Community

(Temporary Weekend Overnight Truck Detour Route)



LEGEND

TEMPORARY TRUCK DETOUR ROUTE

WORK ZONE