



Natick Routes 27/9 Bridge Replacement and Interchange Improvements

In-Person Public Information Meeting

June 4, 2025, 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm

Wilson Middle School, 22 Rutledge Road, Natick, MA

Project File No. 605313



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Project Renderings, Design Development

- Please note that the project is a Design-Build project.
- Some project components are subject to further design development – such as project landscaping, or utility pole locations.
- The contractor must meet the Base Technical Concept (BTC).
- **Specific elements shown in project renderings are subject to further design development.**



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Agenda

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04 Project Schedule and Upcoming Construction

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Project Partners and Design-Build Delivery

- **Project development and preliminary design:** MassDOT and GPI
- **Construction project owner/manager:** MassDOT Highway Division District 3
- **Design-Build contractor:** McCourt Construction and Jacobs Engineering
 - Responsible for construction and final design
- **MassDOT public involvement consultant:** HNTB
- **Design-Build public involvement support:** Regina Villa Associates
- **Primary municipal coordination:** Town of Natick



Introductions

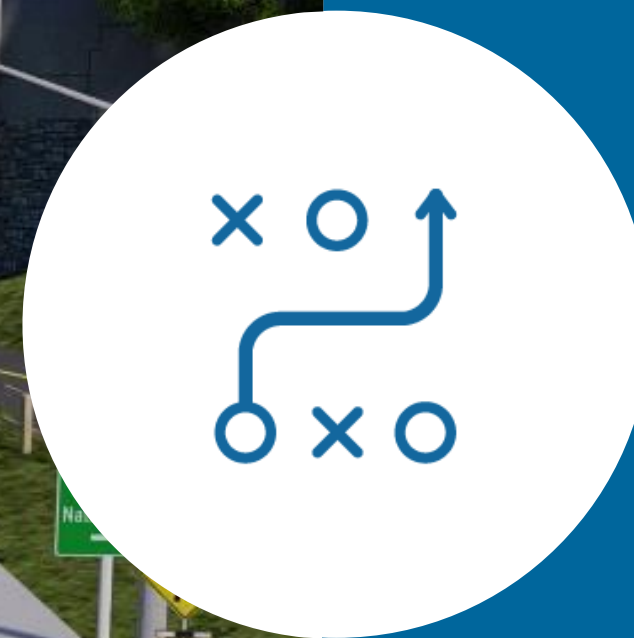
Project Contacts

Personnel	Organization	Role
Mustafa Sadeq	MassDOT	Design-Build/Major Projects Engineer
Jean-Pierre Telemaque	MassDOT	Assistant Construction Engineer – Alternative Delivery
Adam Cline	MassDOT	Resident Engineer
Lori Shattuck	MassDOT	District 3 Traffic Engineer
Daniel Racicot	MassDOT	Legislative Affairs
Michael Ruderman	MassDOT	Right-of-Way Bureau
Tim Pybus	McCourt Construction, McCourt-Jacobs	Project Manager
Tony Qu	Jacobs, McCourt-Jacobs	Design Manager
Chris Howard	Greenman-Pedersen, Inc. (GPI)	Preliminary Design Consultant

Public Involvement, Project Contacts

Personnel	Organization	Role
Billy Parent	HNTB/MassDOT	Team Lead – Public Involvement
Robert Nies	McCourt Construction, McCourt-Jacobs	Design-Build Coordinator
Sarah Zeiberg	Regina Villa Associates Inc., /McCourt Cons.	Public Involvement Coordinator
Alice Scollins	Regina Villa Associates Inc.,/McCourt Cons.	Public Involvement Coordinator





Project Background

Project Location, Existing Conditions



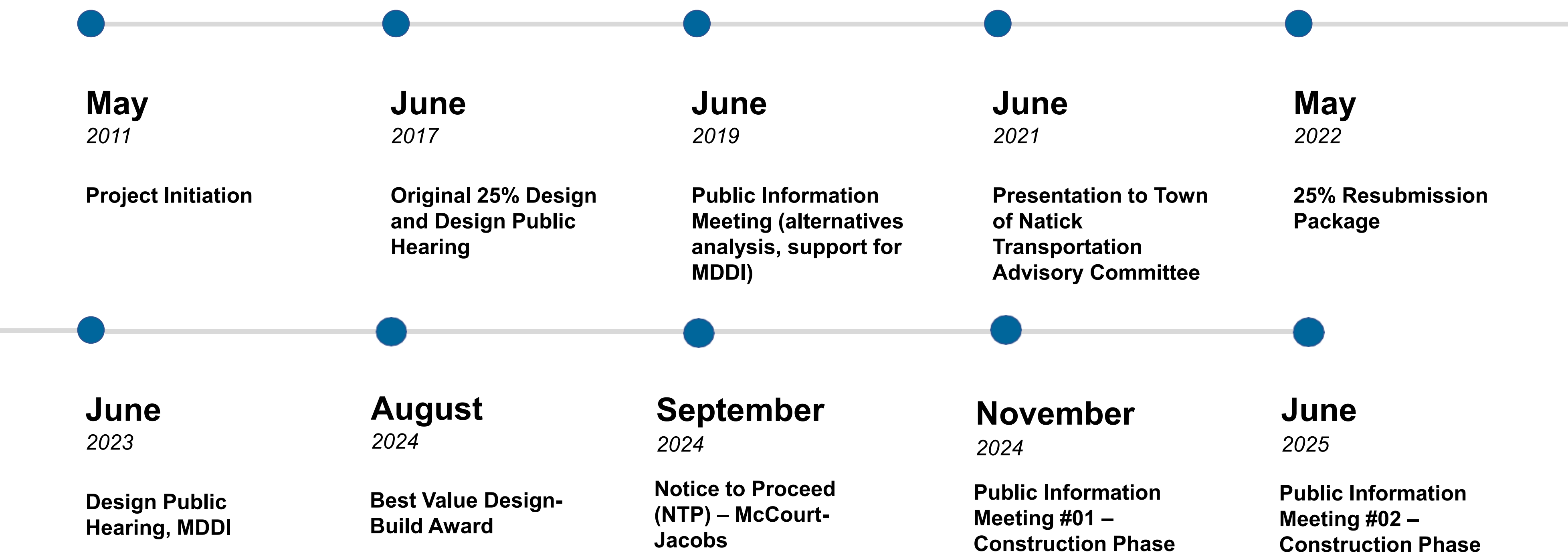
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ROUTE 27



Project History



Project Delivery



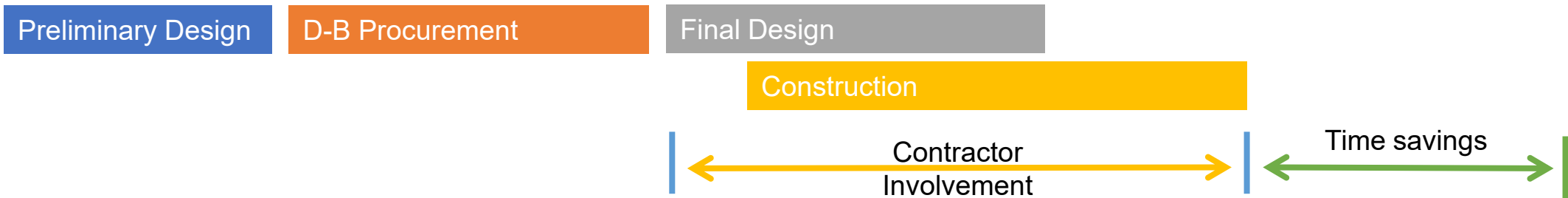
Background

- The preliminary modified diverging diamond design was presented to the public in June 2023
- \$99 M Best Value Design-Build Award – McCourt Construction and Jacobs Engineering

Design-Build Method

- Combines design and construction services in a single contract
- Allows the contractor and designer to work together on all phases of the project
 - Promotes innovation, reduces owner’s project risk, expedites project delivery

Design-Build (DB)



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Design Bid Build (D-B-B)





Overview of Project Design

Project Needs & Goals

 Bridge Replacement

 Increase Safety

 Improve Mobility

 Improve Congestion



Project Overview

- Replaces the existing Route 27 bridge with two new roadway bridges.
- Constructs a dedicated shared use path bridge.
- Reconstructs Route 9 and Route 27 roadways and ramps.
- Creates a modified diverging diamond interchange.
- Provides an extensive shared use path network.
- Plants over 226 new trees in the project limits.



Design Overview – Modified Diverging Diamond






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Modified Diverging Diamond – Multi-Modal Accommodations

Bicycle/Pedestrian Network
4 New Proposed Bus Stops 

- Shared Use Path = 
- Sidewalk = 
- Bus Stop = 





Project Landscaping

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Tree Planting Plan

- Includes planting 226 new trees within the project limits along the Shared Use Path, along Route 27, and areas within the interchange.
- Tree plantings are selected with a preference of native species and the feasibility of maintenance.
- MassDOT maintenance limits include Route 9, the new Route 27 bridges and ramps at the interchange, and the Shared Use Path.



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Upcoming Construction

Design-Builder Project Schedule Upcoming Work

Activity	2025							2026				
	Jun	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May
Overhead Utility Relocation (Bridge Area and Along Route 9)												
Eversource Gas Relocation (Along Route 9 Eastbound)												
Tree Removals (Route 9 and Route 27)												
Retaining Wall at 190 North Main Street (Southern Section)												
Drainage Pipe Installation on Rte 27 (Rutledge Road to Route 9)												

Note: This schedule is subject change.

Early Construction Impacts

- Maintain roadway access for all modes at all stages of construction.
- Maintain current interchange layout through Spring 2026.
- Intermittent Route 9 lane closures are typically from 10pm-5am, Sunday-Thursday.
- Dayshift work hours are typically on weekdays, 7am-3:30pm.
- Two lanes of traffic will be maintained on Route 27.



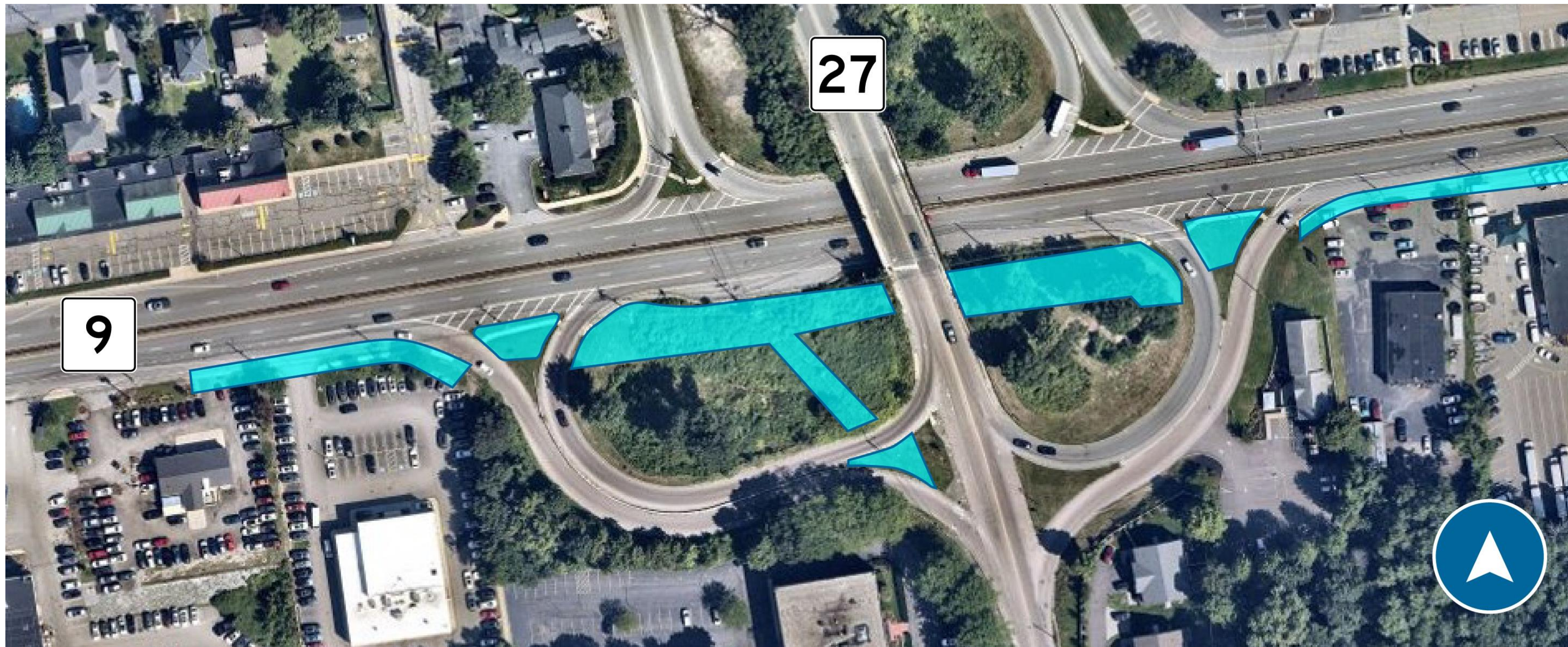
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Ongoing Construction: Overhead Utility Relocation

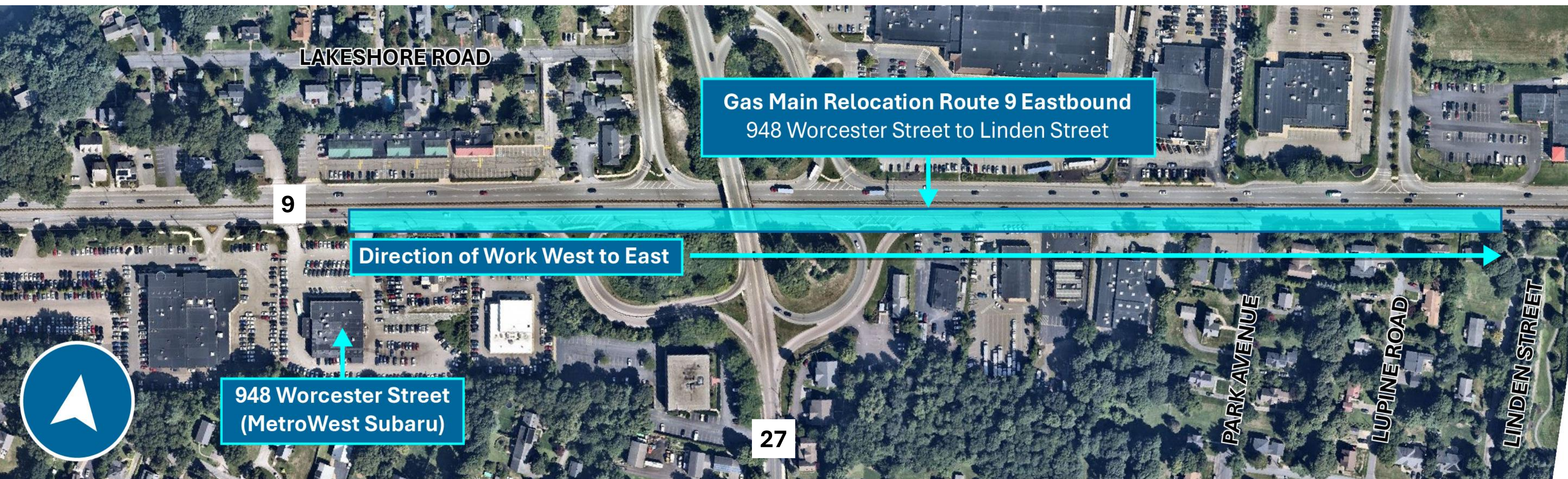
Anticipated June 2025 – May 2026



- Continue the construction of the duct bank in the infield areas
- Overhead wire relocations along Route 9

Upcoming Construction: Eversource Gas Line Relocation

Anticipated June 2025 – May 2026



- Work in breakdown lane and/or nighttime lane closures on Route 9
 - Night work anticipated 10:00 p.m. – 5:00 a.m.

Upcoming Construction: Tree and Vegetation Removal

Anticipated June-July 2025 and October 2025

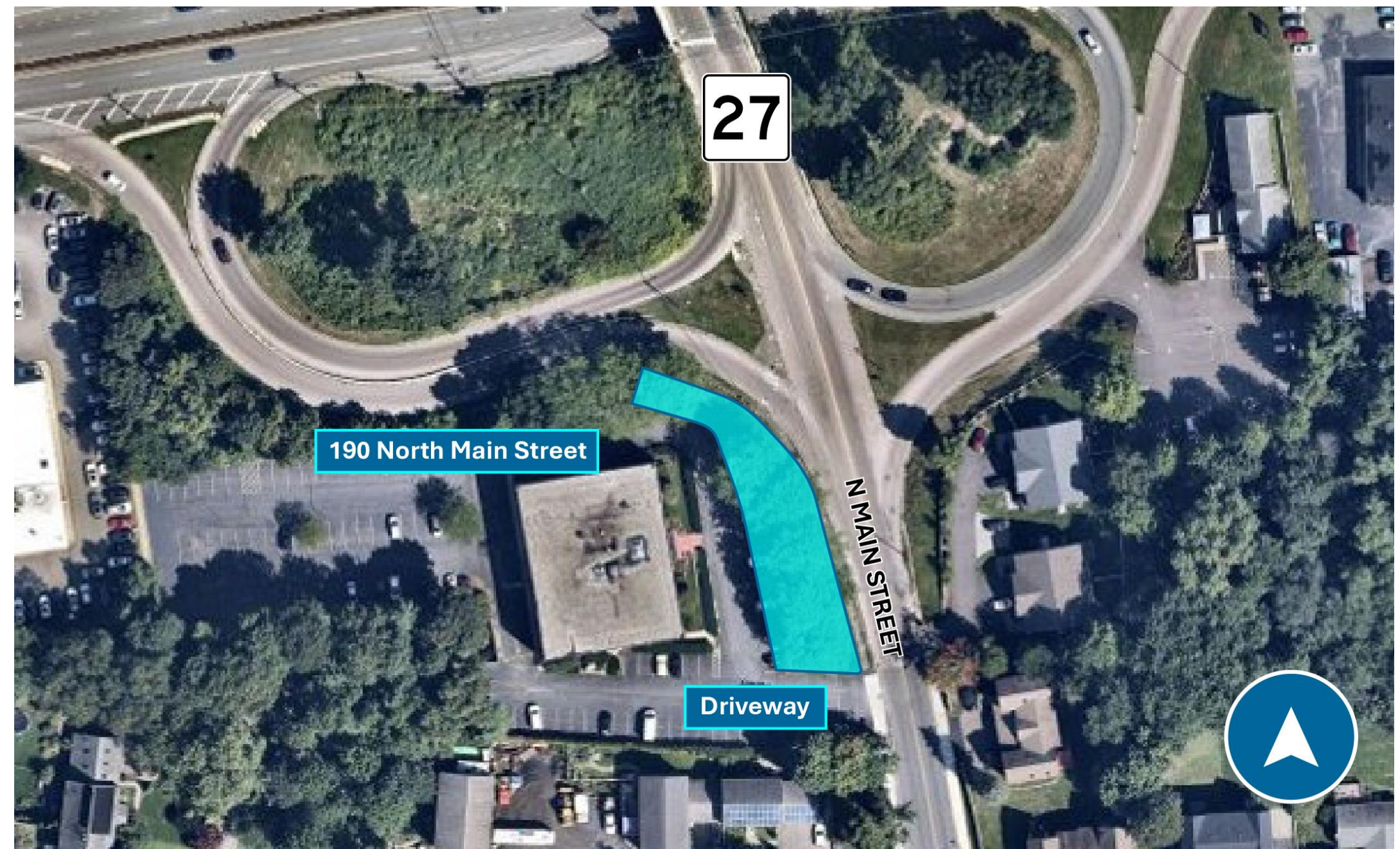


- Nighttime lane closures on Route 9 and intermittent lane closures on Route 27

Upcoming Construction: Retaining Wall at 190 North Main Street

Anticipated October 2025 – December 2025

- A new retaining wall will be installed
- Work will be performed off-roadway
- Access to the driveway will be always maintained



Upcoming Construction: Drainage Pipe Installation on Route 27

Anticipated November 2025 – August 2026

- Drainage pipe installed from Rutledge Road south to Route 9
- Intermittent lane closures on Route 27
 - Typical daytime hours, 7:00am to 3:00pm
 - Typical nighttime hours, 9:00pm to 6:00am, to maintain access into 9x27 Plaza





Project Right-of-Way

Project Right-of-Way and Background

- **Property Acquisition and Rights:** MassDOT acquires private land for transportation improvements and adheres to federal and state laws to ensure fair and equitable treatment for all property owners.
- **Valuation & Compensation:** Property value is determined by a qualified appraiser to establish "Just Compensation".
- **Dispute Resolution & Payment:** Property owners can receive the initial payment without prejudice to their right to dispute the amount within three years.
- **Completed Acquisitions & Compensation:** All Right-of-Way acquisitions for this project are complete. MassDOT has met with or attempted to compensate all impacted property owners.



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- **Project Hotline**
 - Available 24/7
 - Phone Number: 305-270-4445
- **Project Email**
 - Rt27Rt9Natick@dot.state.ma.us
- **Stakeholder Updates**
 - Email updates expected bi-weekly or as-needed
 - Flyer development/distribution as-needed
 - Public meetings and individual abutter meetings
- **Web Updates**
 - Project Website:
<https://mass.gov/NatickRoutes27and9>
 - Fact Sheets/FAQ's
 - PIM Material and Recordings
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Questions and answers

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- Approach the microphone and wait your turn to ask questions or make comments.



- Please identify yourself by name and affiliation and spell your last name before your question or comment.



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



- Comments may also be submitted to the project team electronically at Rt27Rt9Natick@dot.state.ma.us or via US Mail to 499 Plantation Parkway, Worcester, MA 01605, Attention: Project Management, Project File No. 605313

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