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Notice of Public Hearing and Public Comment Period

Notice is hereby given pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30A, § 3 that the Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT) will hold a virtual public hearing and accept public comments regarding proposed amendments to a regulation 700 CMR 7.00, Use of the Massachusetts Turnpike and the Metropolitan Highway System.

The proposed amendment will: update language allowing hydrogen-fueled vehicles to use the highway tunnels (the transport or carrying of hydrogen remains prohibited); make technical corrections concerning the terms “toll collector” and “Troop E”; make technical corrections adding reference to the “Ted Williams Tunnel” as an option for traveling between Boston and East Boston in addition to the Sumner and Callahan Tunnels; delete reference to obsolete towing agreement; and correct language relating to responsibility for tolls, fees and fines for leased or rented vehicles. 700 CMR 13.00 is promulgated pursuant to M.G.L. c. 6C, § 3(1).

A virtual public hearing will be held online on **Friday, July 16, 2021, at 10:00 am**. Register at: <https://us02web.zoom.us/join/tZULcuyqpz4oHdW1YhRIW-98eT3ITg4coX7Y>
After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting. For technical assistance with registration, email Alex.Cantor@dot.state.ma.us.

Testimony may be presented orally at the public hearing or in writing. While MassDOT encourages all interested parties to submit testimony in advance of the hearing, written comments will be accepted until **5:00 p.m. on Friday, July 16, 2021**. Written comments must be submitted by email or postal mail to the following address. Email is strongly preferred.

Email: REMorse@mbta.com

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A copy of the proposed amendments to 700 CMR 7.00 may be obtained by contacting Rachel Morse in writing by email (preferred) or postal mail.