

Paint Chip Advisory



What is happening: We are picking up paint chips that have fallen from the Tobin Bridge

This notice is to inform you that MassDOT is working in the area and picking up paint chips that have fallen from the Tobin Bridge and may be on your property.

MassDOT's contractor is progressing their work through the parking lots under the Tobin and any properties adjacent to the bridge.

Our contractor will work with residents and businesses to gain access to areas where paint chips may have dropped so that they can be removed.

MassDOT's contractor will be vacuuming up the paint chips at known locations at locations under the Tobin and will be disposing them off site.

Schedule

Weather permitting, parking lot areas will be addressed first and are expected to be completed by Thursday April 6th

Removal activities will then shift to backyards, sidewalks, and other open areas on properties under the bridge until Monday April 17th

Tobin Bridge

The Tobin bridge is over 75 years old and has been painted over a number of times and that old paint has become brittle. The weather that we experienced over the last few months caused the paint to flake off and fall to the ground.

Can I pick up the paint myself?

No, the paint chips need to be picked up and disposed of properly. The paint chips from the Tobin are known to contain lead which can cause serious health issues. Please do not handle or ingest any paint chips and do not allow children to play with paint chips.

Please allow MassDOT's contractors to pick up all of the paint chips and point out any areas of concern to them.

How can I get more information?

For more information about this activity please call our hotline at 857-492-0221.

For information on the Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program please visit <https://www.mass.gov/orgs/childhood-lead-poisoning-prevention-program>