

### 1-90 ALLSTON INTERCHANGE A MULTIMODAL TRANSPORTATION PROJECT TASK FORCE MEETING #1

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# Introduction



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- Purpose of the Meeting
- Early Stakeholder Coordination
  - Cambridge Street Improvements
  - Safer Intersections and Pedestrian Crossings
  - Continuity of Bicycle and Pedestrian Access
  - Support for MBTA Service Improvements and Support Facilities
- Public Outreach
- Task Force Formation/Process Facilitators



# **Meeting Overview**



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- Public Involvement/Project Team
- Project Area
- Reasons for the Project
- Potential Transportation Improvements
- Project Development Process/Schedule
- Early Conceptual Development





# Project Team



Massachusetts Department of Transportation Highway Division





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# **Project Team**















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# **Ongoing Public Involvement**



- Coordination with Abutting Municipalities & Affected Stakeholders and Landowners
- Routine Updates through Project Website
- Web & Social Media Updates
- Stakeholder Database Inquiries
- Taskforce Team



# **Task Force Team**

- Neighborhood
- Transportation Stakeholders
- City of Boston
- Educational Institutions
- Medical Institutions
- Business Community
- Elected Officials
- Construction Industry
- Civic Organizations
- Major Landowners







# **Project Area**





# **Project Area Photos**









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# **Traffic Volume Context**









Interchange Safety





- Viaduct has Suffered from Neglect
- Deficiencies in the Viaduct Structure







• All Electronic Tolling (AET)







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ALLSTON INTERCHANGE

- Enhance MBTA Rail Service
  - Expansion of Multiple Track Rail Service
  - Improve Local Connections to the System
  - Accommodate West Station & MBTA Support Facilities
  - Support Boston/Cambridge Rail Connection Opportunities via Grand Junction





• Pedestrian/Bicycle Conditions









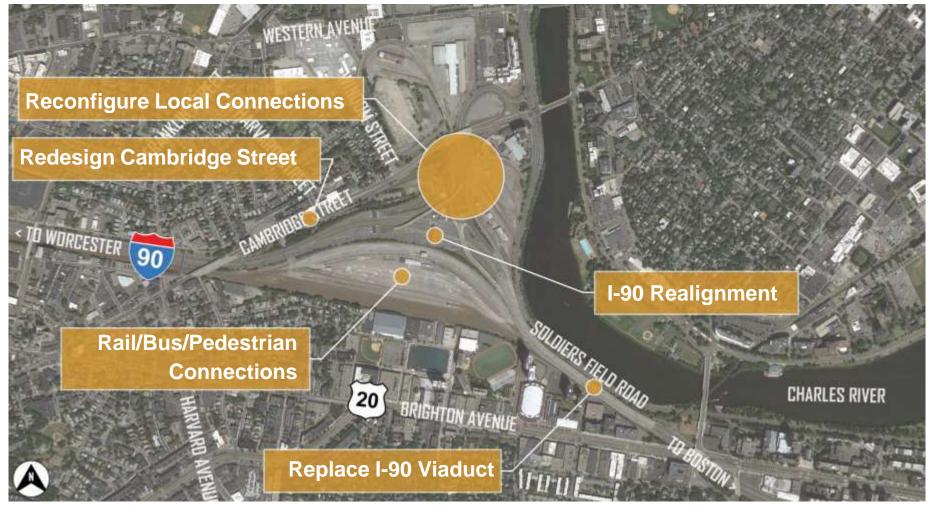
### • Summary





# Potential Transportation Improvements

Accommodate Multimodal Transportation





# Potential Transportation Improvements

Pedestrian/Bicycle Desire Lines





# **Project Development Process**



- Data Collection and Analyses of Existing Conditions
- Development of Conceptual Alternatives
- Evaluation of Alternatives: Functional, Environmental (Social & Natural Environments)
- Refinement of Preferred Actions
- Environmental Documentation
- Preliminary Design
- Design-Build Procurement and Implementation
- Public involvement will continue throughout the project development process.



# Preliminary Project Timeline



	<b>2014</b> 1 2 3 4	<b>2015</b> 1 2 3 4	<b>2016</b> 1 2 3 4	<b>2017</b> 1 2 3 4	<b>2018</b> 1 2 3 4	<b>2019</b> 1 2 3 4	<b>2020</b> 1 2 3 4
Concept Development							
Task Force Group							
Environmental Filings							
Preliminary Design							
Design-Build Procurement							
Construction							



# Early Conceptual Development

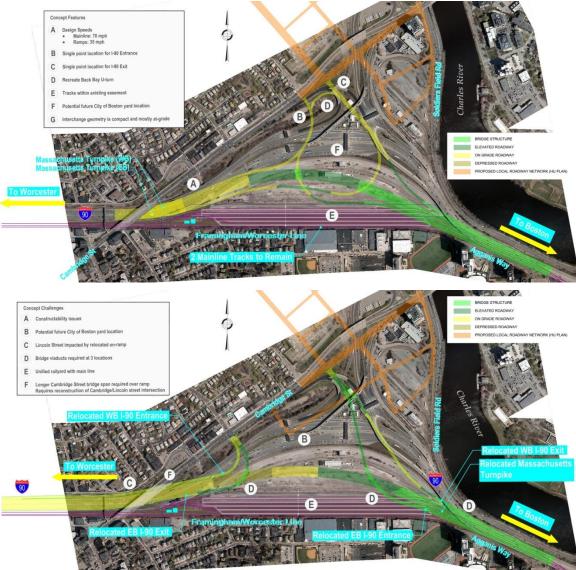
Chris Calnan, Tetra Tech, Project Manager

- Early Development Concepts
- Three Interchange Concept Groups
  - Group 1: Suburban Type
    One Intersection On / One Intersection Off
  - Group 2: Suburban Type
    Both Intersections On & Off
  - Group 3: Urban Type Collector/Distributor Road System



# **Early Development Concepts**







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# **Group 1**



SOUDIERS FIELD RUAD

### Suburban Type Interchange - One Intersection On / One Intersection Off

#### LEGEND

- Proposed Roadways
- Proposed Bridges

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Proposed Roadways by Others

#### RACK CONSISTS/WEST STATION PLATFORM/ BUS & PEDESTRIAN CONNECTION

BRIGHTON AVENUE 20

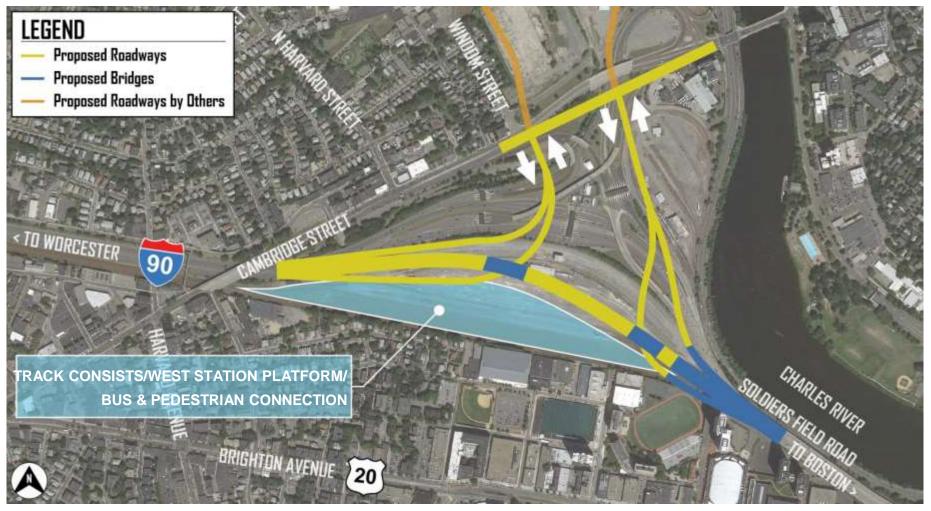
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# Group 2

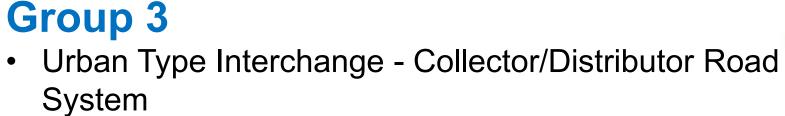


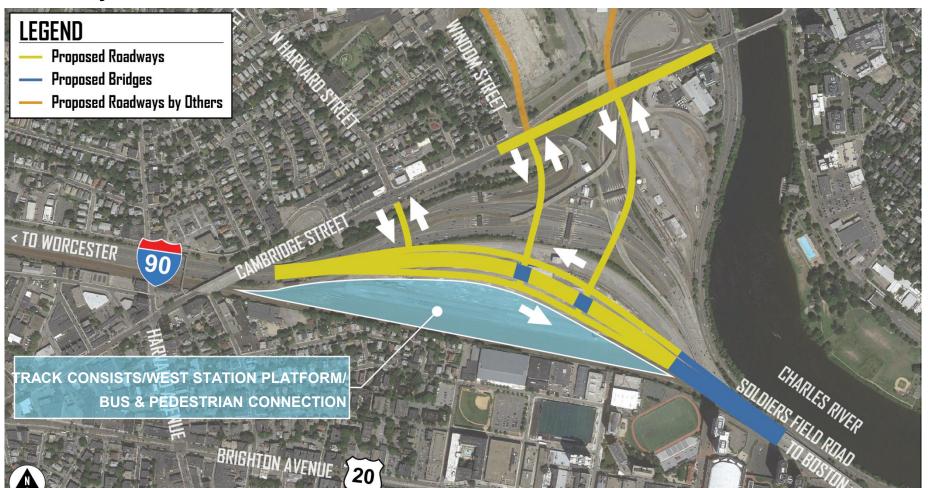
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# **Question & Comments**



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