

**THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION – HIGHWAY DIVISION**

NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING
Project File No. 605513

A Design Public Hearing will be held by MassDOT to discuss the proposed Rehabilitation of the Riverside Pedestrian Park Bridge (Bridge No. N-12-080 = W-29-064) in Weston and Newton, MA.

**WHERE: Newton Lower Falls Community Center
 545 Grove Street
 Newton Lower Falls, MA 02462**

WHEN: Wednesday, July 20, 2011 at 7.00pm

PURPOSE: The purpose of this hearing is to provide the public with the opportunity to become fully acquainted with the proposed Riverside Park Pedestrian Bridge rehabilitation project. All views and comments made at the hearing will be reviewed and considered to the maximum extent possible.

PROPOSAL: The proposed project consists of the rehabilitation of the existing bridge. Included in the rehabilitation is the reconstruction of the west abutment and wing walls, new steel bearings and timber deck and mesh panel railings on the superstructure and cleaning and painting of the superstructure. The project also includes landscape and stormwater improvements. Shared accommodations for all users have been provided in accordance with applicable guidelines.)

A secure right-of-way is necessary for this project. Acquisitions in fee and permanent or temporary easements may be required. **The Commonwealth of Massachusetts** is responsible for acquiring all needed rights in private or public lands. MassDOT's policy concerning land acquisitions will be discussed at this hearing.

Written views received by MassDOT subsequent to the date of this notice and up to five (5) days prior to the date of the hearing shall be displayed for public inspection and copying at the time and date listed above. Plans will be on display one-half hour before the hearing begins, with an engineer in attendance to answer questions regarding this project. A project handout will be made available on the MassDOT website listed below.

Written statements and other exhibits in place of, or in addition to, oral statements made at the Public Hearing regarding the proposed undertaking are to be submitted to Thomas F. Broderick, P.E., Acting Chief Engineer, MassDOT, 10 Park Plaza, Boston, MA 02116, ATTN: (**Tracy Osimboni, Project File No. 605513**). Such submissions will also be accepted at the hearing. Mailed statements and exhibits intended for inclusion in the public hearing transcript must be postmarked within ten (10) business days of this Public Hearing. Project inquiries may be emailed to dot.feedback.highway@state.ma.us

The community has declared that this facility is accessible to all in compliance with the ADA / Title II. However, persons in need of ADA / Title II accommodations should contact John Lozada by phone at (617) 973-7171 or email to MASSDOT.CivilRights@dot.state.ma.us. Requests must be made at least 10 days prior to the date of the public hearing.

In case of inclement weather, hearing cancellation announcements will be posted on the internet at <http://www.massdot.state.ma.us/Highway/>

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