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# CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

#### VIRTUAL PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING

### State Project No. 0100-0182 - Route 15 Interchange 62 Northbound Ramps Reconfiguration

# **Town of North Haven**

March 21, 2024 - 6:00 p.m.

Register: https://portal.ct.gov/DOTNorthHaven100-182

YouTube Livestream: <a href="https://portal.ct.gov/ctdotvpimarchive">https://portal.ct.gov/ctdotvpimarchive</a>

The purpose of this meeting is to provide the community an opportunity to learn about the proposed project and allow an open discussion of any views and comments concerning the proposed improvements. A Question & Answer session will immediately follow the presentation.

The purpose of this project is to address high crash rates and substandard geometric conditions at Interchange 62 on Route 15 northbound. Additionally, a secondary purpose is to reduce crashes and improve operation at the intersection of the Ramp termini and SR 717 (Dixwell Avenue). The project is needed because the existing acceleration and deceleration lengths are insufficient and do not provide adequate distances for merging and diverging at appropriate speeds, resulting in a higher-than-expected number of crashes. Further, the lack of turning lanes on all legs of the Ramp termini and SR 717 intersection contribute to both congestion and crashes.

The project will revise the geometry of the Route 15 Interchange 62 Northbound on and off ramps, construct acceleration and deceleration lanes to current design standards (thereby removing the stop-controlled on-ramp) and upgrade the existing traffic control signal and lane configurations at the intersection of SR 717 (Dixwell Avenue) at the Ramp termini and Vista Road.

There are right-of-way impacts associated with the proposed improvements. Right-of-way impacts include rights to reconstruct driveways to tie into the altered road edges of the pavement, partial property acquisitions for the construction of the widened Dixwell Avenue, installation of traffic signal mast arm foundations, relocation of utility poles, and an easement for the installation and maintenance of guiderail on the north end of Ridge Road.

Construction is anticipated to begin in Spring 2026, based on the availability of funding, acquisition of rights-of-way, and approval of permit(s). The estimated construction cost for this project is approximately \$17.8 million. This project is anticipated to be undertaken with eighty percent (80%) Federal funds and twenty percent (20%) State funds.

Please register for the virtual public information meeting at <a href="https://portal.ct.gov/DOTNorthHaven100-182">https://portal.ct.gov/DOTNorthHaven100-182</a>. Registration is required to participate. Once registered, you will receive a confirmation email with a link to access the meeting.

Members of the public may submit comments and questions during the two-week public comment period following the meeting.

Please direct comments and questions by **April 4, 2024** to:

Mr. Jeffrey Pfaffinger, P.E., Project Manager Jeffrey Pfaffinger (act.gov (860) 594-2767.

# **ACCESSIBILITY**

This meeting will also be livestreamed on YouTube and closed captioning will be available. Non-English translation options will be available on Zoom and YouTube. The recording will also be available on CTDOT's YouTube Virtual Public Information Meeting playlist: <a href="https://portal.ct.gov/ctdotvpimarchive">https://portal.ct.gov/ctdotvpimarchive</a>

Persons with limited internet access may use the call-in number (877) 853-5257 and enter Meeting ID 811 9493 4694. Persons with limited internet access may also request that project information be mailed to them within one week by contacting:

Mr. Jeffrey Pfaffinger, P.E., Project Manager Jeffrey. Pfaffinger@ct.gov (860) 594-2767.

Persons with hearing and/or speech disabilities may dial 711 for Telecommunications Relay Services (TRS).

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