

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION – HIGHWAY DIVISION
NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING
Project File No. 606086

A Public Hearing will be held by MassDOT to discuss the proposed I-95 southbound off-ramp at the University Avenue interchange and Blue Hill Drive project in the Towns of Dedham and Westwood.

WHERE: Westwood Public Library
Main Library
660 High Street
Westwood, MA 02090

WHEN: Thursday, February 27, 2014 @ 6:30 pm

PURPOSE: The purpose of this hearing is to provide the public with the opportunity to become acquainted with the proposed I-95 southbound off-ramp at University Avenue interchange and Blue Hill Drive 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 following elements: reconstruction of the I-95 southbound off-ramp to University Avenue; widening of the I-95 southbound mainline to provide an auxiliary lane between the adjacent rest area and the new off-ramp; termination of Blue Hill Drive in a cul-de-sac just northwest of the current off-ramp terminus and reconstruction of the University Avenue intersection including traffic signal modifications. Bicycle accommodations consisting of usable shoulders have been provided on University Avenue in accordance with applicable design guides.

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 Patricia Leavenworth, P.E., Chief Engineer, MassDOT, 10 Park Plaza, Boston, MA 02116, Attention: Project Management Section, Project File No. 606086. 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.

This Public Hearing location is accessible to people with disabilities. MassDOT provides reasonable accommodations and/or language assistance free of charge upon request (including but not limited to interpreters in American Sign Language and languages other than English, open or closed captioning for videos, assistive listening devices and alternate material formats, such as audio tapes, Braille and large print), as available. For accommodation or language assistance, please contact MassDOT's Director of Civil Rights by phone at (857) 368-8580, TTD/TTY at (857) 368-0603, fax (857) 368-0602 or by email to MassDOT.CivilRights@dot.state.ma.us. Requests should be made as soon as possible prior to the hearing, and for more difficult to arrange services including sign-language, CART or language translation or interpretation, requests should be made at least ten business days before the meeting.

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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