PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE

The Connecticut Department of Transportation (Department) will conduct a Virtual Public Information Meeting concerning the proposed Intersection and Drainage Improvements on Route 53 (South Street) at Triangle Street and Coal Pit Hill Road on Tuesday, June 21 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting will be live streamed via Microsoft Teams Live Event and YouTube Live. A question and answer (Q&A) session will immediately follow the presentation. The presentation will be recorded. Instructions on how to access the meeting and on how to provide comments or ask questions can be found at the project webpage: <u>http://portal.ct.gov/DOTDanbury34-324</u>

The live stream of the formal presentation will begin at 7:00 p.m.

The project is identified as State Project No. 0034-0324.

The purpose of the project is to improve the safety and operation of the intersection of Route 53 (South Street) at Triangle Street and Coal Pit Hill Road. It is proposed to install exclusive left turn lanes on Route 53 at the intersection, shift Coal Pit Hill Road westerly to improve the access from Route 53 to Triangle Street and to maintain the Triangle Street approach to Route 53 as a right turn only.

The project also includes proposed improvements to the existing drainage system at the intersection and surrounding area with the installation of a drainage trunk line that would extend on Route 53 to Shelter Rock Road and Lee Mac Avenue to a new outlet at the Still River.

There are right-of-way impacts associated with the proposed improvements, including partial acquisitions and easements to accommodate the minor widening along Route 53 and the proposed drainage outlet at the Still River.

Construction is anticipated to begin in spring 2024 based on the availability of funding, acquisition of rights-of-way and approval of permit(s). The estimated construction cost range for this project is approximately \$12 to 15 million. This project is anticipated to be undertaken with eighty percent (80%) Federal Funds and twenty percent (20%) State funds.

The Virtual Public Informational Meeting is being held to provide the public and local community the opportunity to offer comments or ask questions regarding the proposed project. Persons with limited internet access may request that project information be mailed to them by contacting Michelle C. Saldana by email at Michelle.Saldana@ct.gov or by telephone at (860) 594-3348 (allow one week for processing and delivery).

Individuals with limited internet access can listen to the meeting by calling (888) 566-5916 and entering the Participant Code when prompted: 9977843. Persons with hearing and/or speech disabilities may dial 711 for Telecommunications Relay Services (TRS). The MS Teams Live Event offers closed captioning for the hearing impaired and non-English translation options. A recording of the formal presentation will be posted to YouTube following the event and closed captioning (including non-English translation options) will be available at that time. The recording will also be available in the list of CTDOT virtual public meetings here: https://portal.ct.gov/dot/general/CTDOT-VPIM-Library. Visit the project webpage for options for Apple users. During the Q&A session and the 14-day comment period that follows the meeting,

individuals may leave a question or comment via email (preferred) at <u>DOTProject34-324@ct.gov</u>. Individuals may also leave a voicemail question or comment by calling (860) 944-1111. Please reference State Project No. 0034-0324 in your voicemail.

Language assistance may be requested by contacting the Department's Language Assistance Call Line (860) 594-2109. Requests should be made at least 5 business days prior to the meeting. Language assistance is provided at no cost to the public and efforts will be made to respond to timely requests for assistance.