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Subject: Future of our Saugatuck Swing Bridge

Mr. Bhardwaj, DOT Supervising Engineer;

We vote to PRESERVE the Saugatuck Swing Bridge in its PRESENT configuration and functionality.

Expanding the bridge creates a monumental change to the Town's infrastructure and traffic patterns. This will forever change the traffic patterns in Town in a <u>negative</u> way. And it will increase traffic flows through many neighborhood areas that will be severely and negatively impacted.

This area between Riverside/Treadwell and the train station cannot support the traffic that currently travels through it.

Changing the bridge will NOT, contrary to your supposition, improve the traffic ...expanding the bridge will worsen the traffic.

Ellen van Dorsten (26 year resident of Westport)