From: Bob Caporale <

Sent: Thursday, June 30, 2016 10:29 AM **To:** DOT Environmental Planning

Cc: Nora Caporale

Subject: Saugatuck River Bridge

Dear Mr. Alexander,

We are writing to indicate our support for preserving the existing Saugatuck swing bridge in Westport, CT. As residents of both Westport and Saugatuck village, we feel that there are many characteristics of this bridge that are very important to the area, including preservation of local history, control of local traffic, and maintaining the existing look and feel of the surrounding area and neighborhoods.

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More specifically, we would be adamantly opposed to any plan that serves to allow the increase of large truck traffic through the area, specifically due to the excessive noise, pollution, traffic, safety, and adverse environmental issues that such a plan would inevitably cause. Therefore, we urge you and your colleagues to support repairing and preserving the existing Saugatuck bridge in its current dimensions rather than enlarging, replacing, raising, or moving the bridge.

Sincerely,

Bob & Nora Caporale