### CTDOT Design-Build Bridge Bundle Rehabilitation East Hartford and Willington Project No. 171-431

# **East Hartford Town Council Meeting**

March 6, 2018





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### Agenda

- Welcome and Introductions
- Project Overview
  - Project Areas
  - Purpose
  - Schedule
- Bridge Specifics
  - 1: Potter School Rd over I-84 in Willington (00847)
  - 2: Rt 2 EB over I-84 (02369)
  - 3: Rt 2 WB & Governor St to Founders Bridge over I-84 EB(02366)
  - 4: I-84 WB Exit 54 over I-84 EB (02367)



### **Project Team**

Middlesex Corporation, Lochner Responsible for Design and Construction

CTDOT's Highway Division

Responsible for administering the Design Process and providing Resident Engineer Services

### Design-Build Approach

### An innovative approach to project delivery

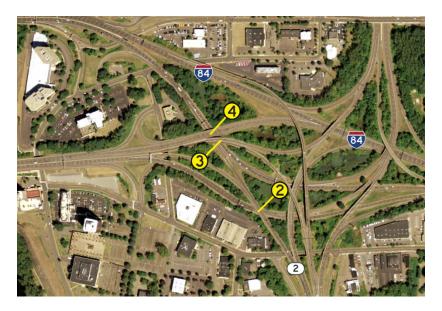
- Engineer works directly for and with the Contractor to design the project
- Partnership between designer/contractor promotes innovation and reduces project costs and schedule
- Design-Builder is selected on best value (cost and qualifications)
- CTDOT defines project requirements and oversees Design-Builder
- This is the second Design-Build project in CT

### **Project Areas**



#### Willington

 Potter School Road over I-84 - a separate meeting will be held in Willington regarding this bridge (May)

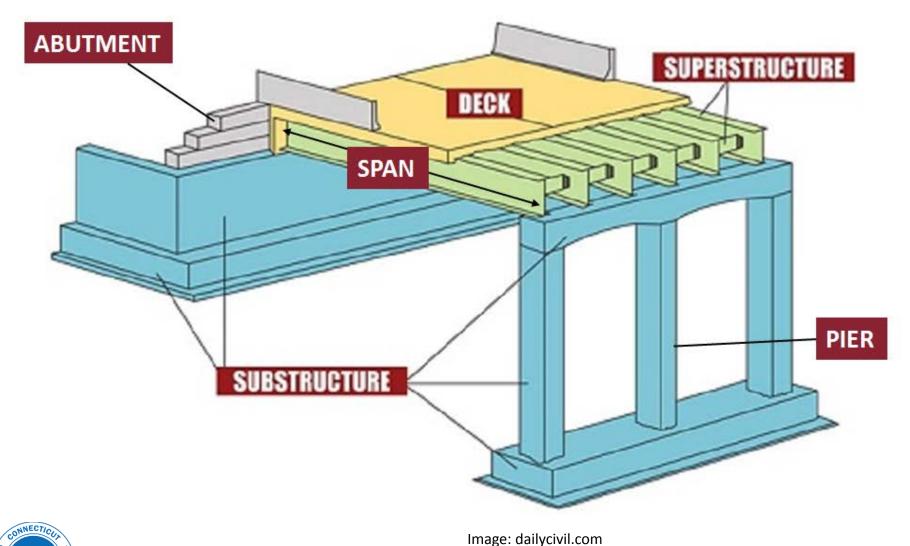


#### **East Hartford**

- 2. Route 2 EB (towards Norwich and New London)
- 3. Route 2 WB & Governor Street (to downtown Hartford via Founders Bridge)
- 4. I-84 WB (Exit 54 to downtown Hartford)

Tonight's Meeting

# **Bridge Components**



### **Existing Conditions**

- All four bridges were constructed in the 1960's
  - Cast in place concrete decks
  - Supports consist of simple span steel beams on concrete abutments and piers
- Superstructures exhibit deterioration, but remain safe to drive on and are regularly inspected

### Project Purpose

- Repair and replace three bridges in East Hartford and one in Willington
- Replace the deteriorated superstructures of all four bridges
- Repair and strengthen the substructures of bridges:
  - 1: Potter School Rd over I-84 (00847)
  - 2: Rt 2 EB over I-84 (02369)
- Replace the substructures of bridges:
  - 3: Rt 2 WB & Governor St to Founders Bridge over I-84 EB(02366)
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### Superstructure Replacement

### Accelerated Bridge Construction Techniques

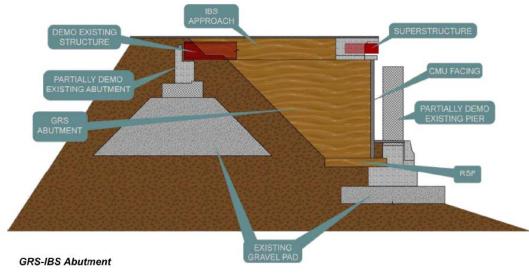
- Minimizes construction timeline and traffic impacts
- Prefabricated Bridge Units
  - Fabricated off-site, then installed at project site



### Substructure Replacement

#### **GRS-IBS Abutments**

- Middlesex-Lochner proposed this method for bridges 02366 and 02367
- Increases longevity of the bridges (75 years)
- Improves safety for drivers
- Reduces maintenance



### **GRS-IBS** Abutments

Example: Killington, CT (constructed by others)

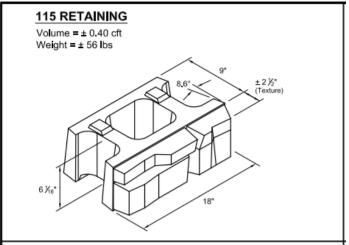


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### Project Schedule

#### 2018

- 1: Potter School Rd over I-84 (00847)

  June through October

  (closed for 2 months during school vacation)
- 2: Rt 2 EB over I-84 (02369)

  March through November

  (closure must be completed before the Hartford Marathon)

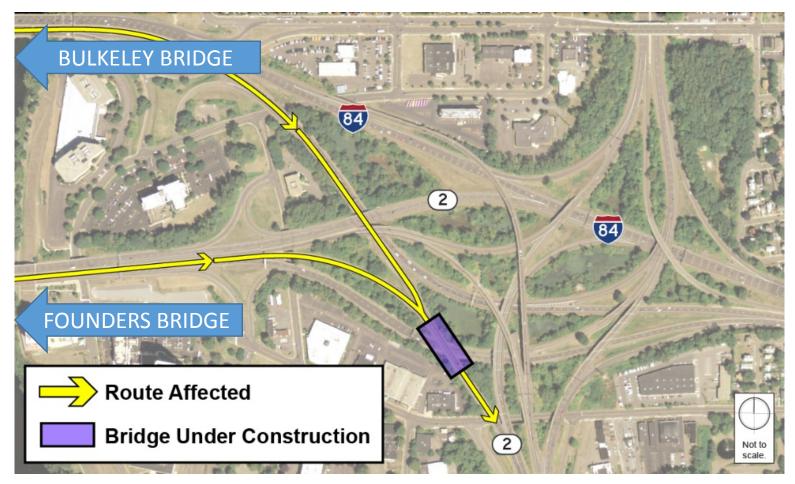
#### 2019

- **3:** Rt 2 WB & Governor St to Founders Bridge over I-84 EB (02366) *March through September*
- **4:** I-84 WB Exit 54 over I-84 EB (02367) *March through November*

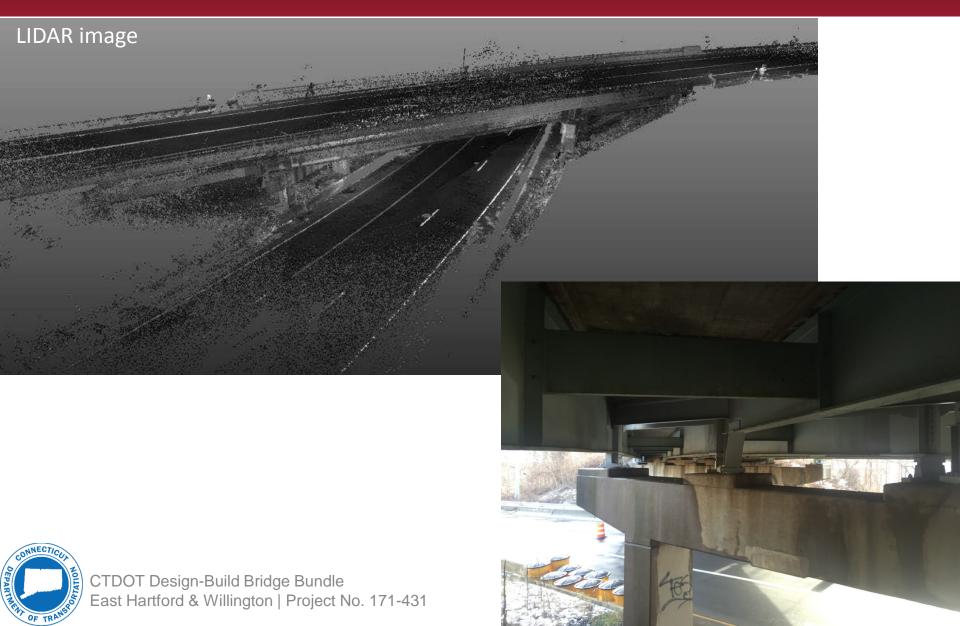
The project contract includes a \$10,000 per day fine for the Design-Builder for exceeding the project schedule.

### Bridge 2: 02369 (Route 2 Eastbound)

Duration: March 2018 - November 2018



# Bridge 2: 02369 Existing Conditions

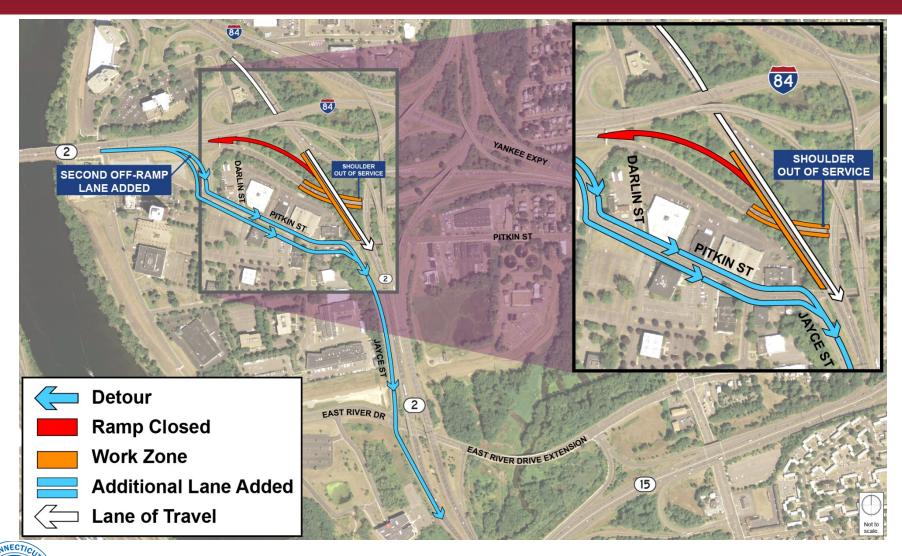


### Bridge 2: 02369

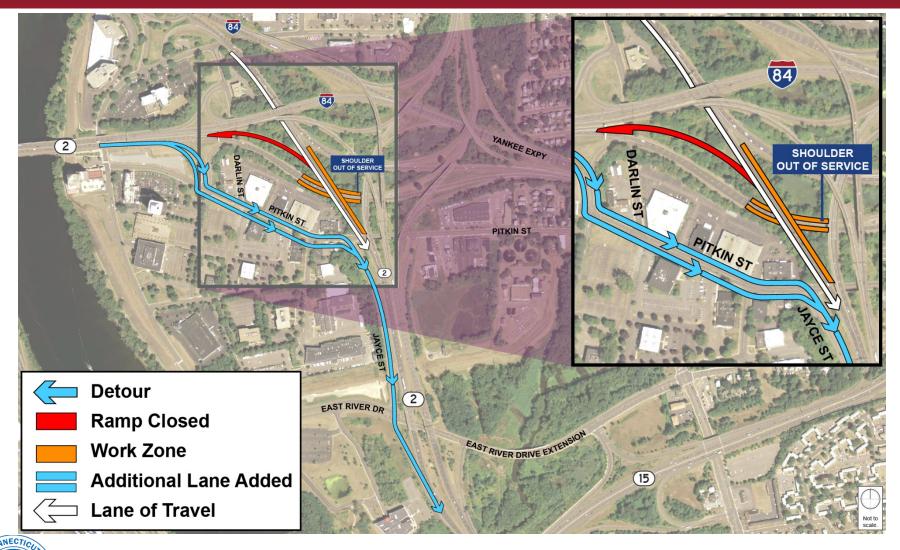
- March to November 2018
- During reconstruction, only 1 ramp can travel over the bridge, requiring closure of the ramp from the Founders Bridge/downtown Hartford
- Traffic mitigation will include
  - Exit 3 off-ramp to be widened to 2 lanes (left, left plus right turn lanes)
  - Pitkin Street EB widened to 2 lanes
  - Pitkin Street right turn only lane onto Jayce Street



### Traffic Impacts – Stage 1

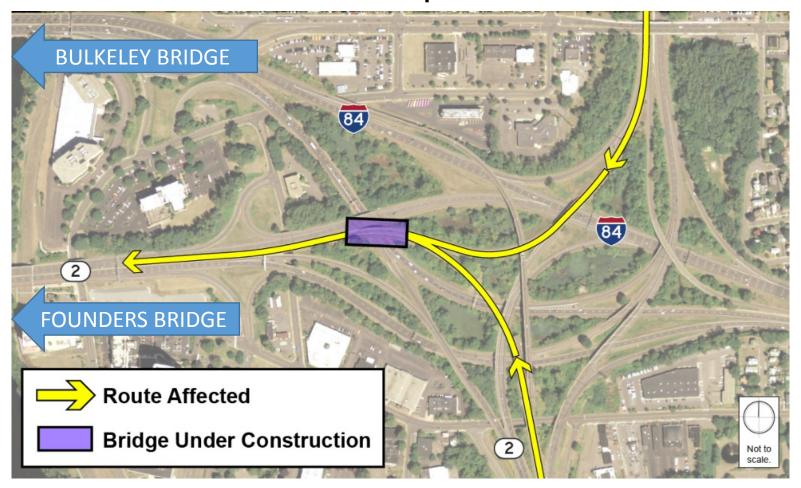


# Traffic Impacts – Stage 2



### Bridge 3: 02366 (Route 2 Westbound)

Duration: March 2019 - September 2019



### Bridge 3: 02366

- The existing bridge is a 3-span, 2-pier bridge
- The new bridge will be single-span with no piers (GRS-IBS abutments will replace piers)



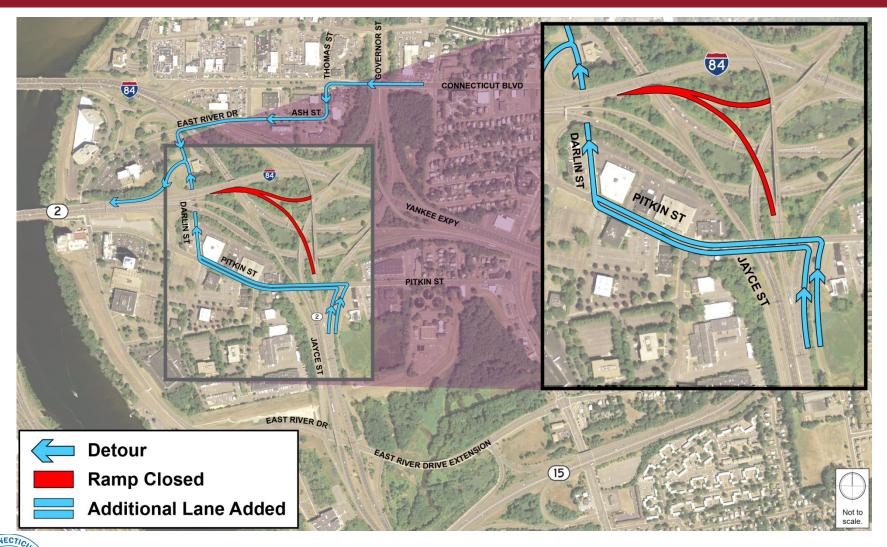


### Bridge 3

- March to September 2019
- Bridge (and 2 associated ramps) will be closed during stage 3
  - No more than 91 days
- Traffic Mitigation will include:
  - Pitkin St. off-ramp will provide a left and left-plus-right turn lane
  - Westbound Pitkin Street will be restriped to provide 2 lanes of travel from the ramp
  - Darlin Street intersection will include a right only lane for detoured traffic

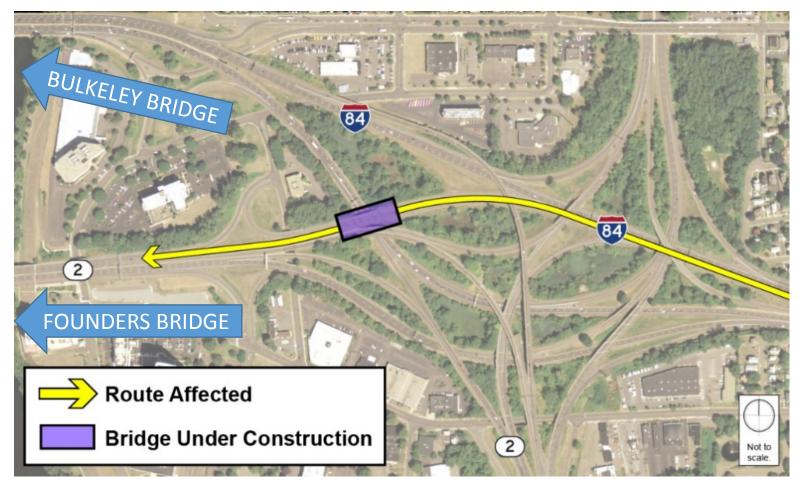


# Traffic Impacts – Stage 3



### Bridge 4: 02367 (I-84 WB Exit 54)

Duration: March 2019 - November 2019



### Bridge 4: 02367

- As with Bridge 3, the existing bride is a 3span, 2-pier bridge
- The new bridge will be single-span with no piers (GRS-IBS abutments will replace piers)



### Bridge 4

- March to November 2019
- 2 of the 4 lanes of traffic on the bridge will be maintained during construction
  - HOV lane will allow general purpose traffic
  - Darlin Street deceleration lane shortened, closure under consideration



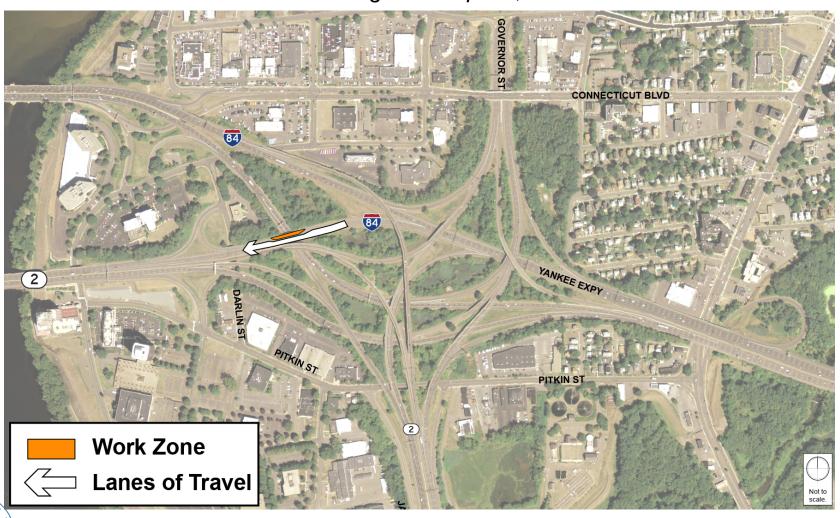
### Traffic Impacts – Stage 3

Work on Bridge 3 will take place concurrently with this phase of work on Bridge 4.



### Traffic Impacts – Stage 4

After work on the southern half of the bridge is complete, work will switch to the northern half.



### Wrap Up

- Work on Route 2 EB over I-84 is beginning this month
- We understand Pitkin Street will experience some pain during construction
  - Detour sheets will be posted on the website closer to their respective start dates
- Schedule accounts for finishing disruptive work before the Hartford Marathon
- There will be an adjustment period associated with traffic becoming familiar with these detour routes
- We will be monitoring traffic during throughout construction



### What to Expect Next

- There is ongoing work in the project area including:
  - Installation of silt fence near the Route 2 EB bridge and the Pitkin St ramp
  - Digging of test pits to collect survey data for all three bridges
- Work on the Pitkin St ramp will begin in the coming weeks



### Stay Informed

- Project website in development
- Detour Information, construction look-aheads and a quarterly newsletter to be posted on the website
- Briefings available upon request
- We will work with CTDOT to respond to all questions and comments during construction in a timely manner

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# Discussion

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