



Public Information Meeting

State Project Number 0172-0541

Accessible Pedestrian Signal (APS) Upgrades in District 2
(Eastern Connecticut)

**Brooklyn, Clinton, East Hampton, East Lyme, Groton, Mansfield,
Norwich, Preston, Putnam, Stonington, Waterford, Windham**

Monday, June 1, 2026

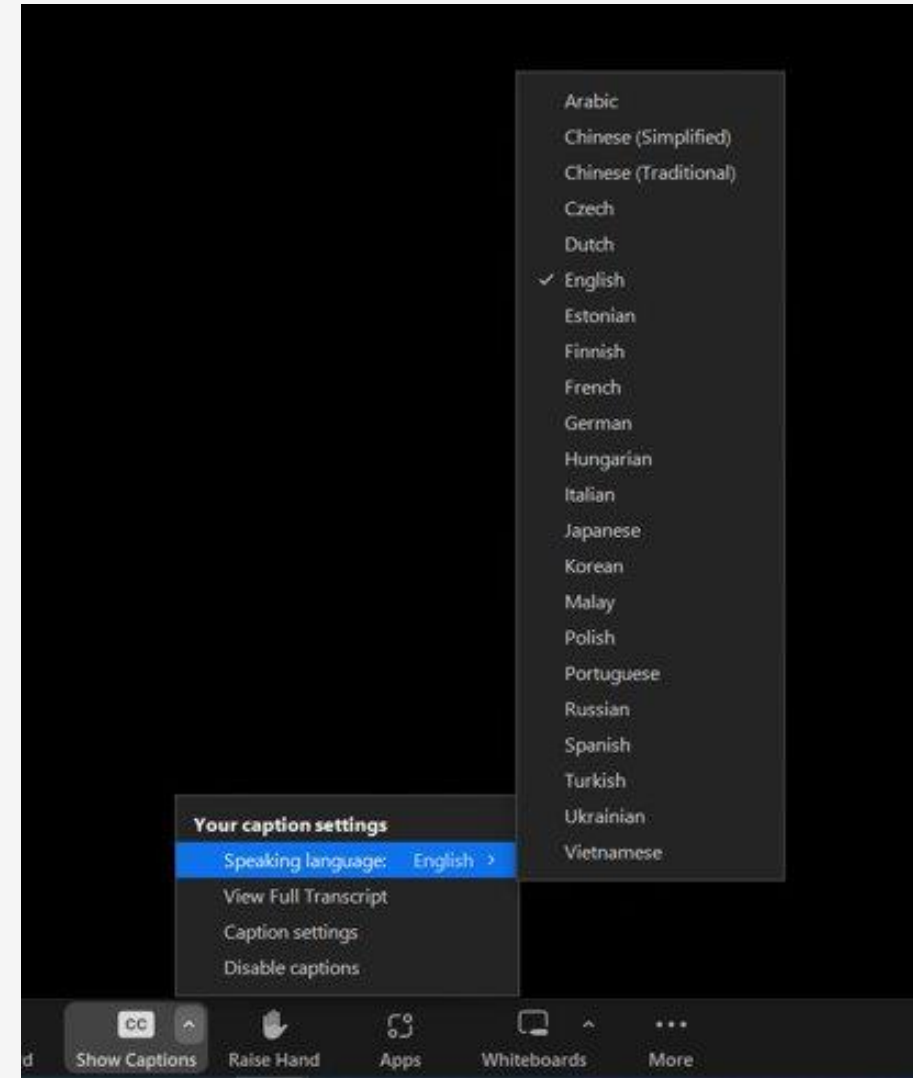
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Meeting Overview

- Housekeeping
- Introductions
- Purpose of Meeting
- Project Overview
- Project Coordination
- Right of Way Impacts
- Project Cost & Schedule
- Next Steps
- Q & A Session



Question & Answer Session



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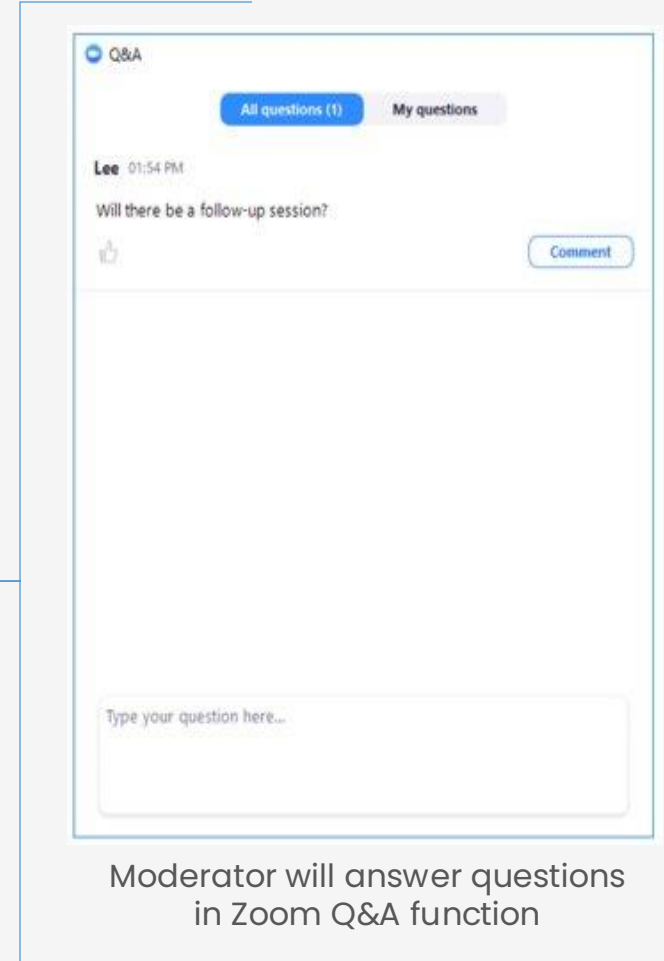
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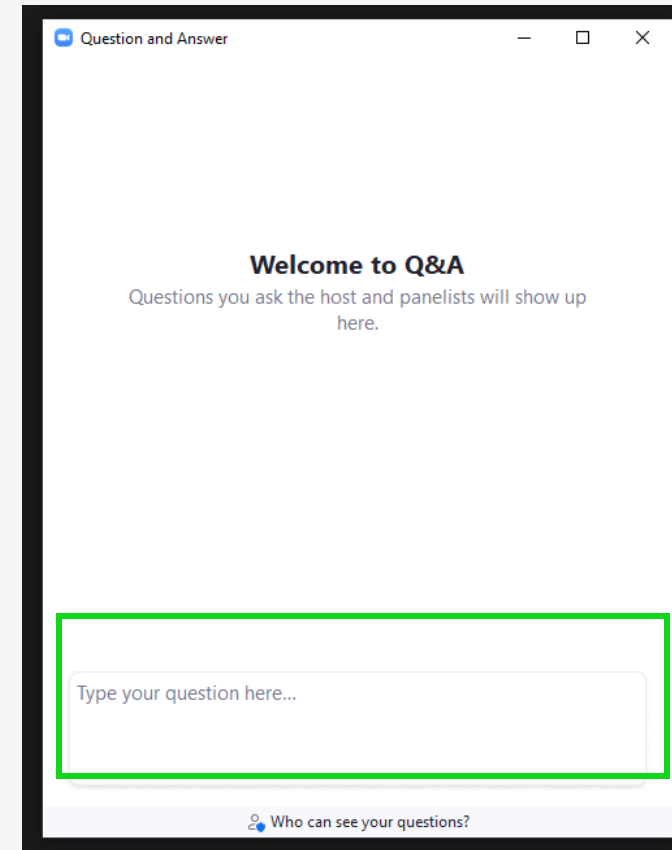
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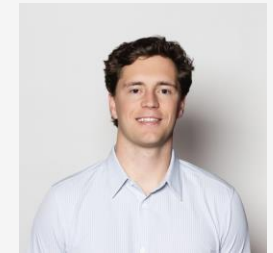
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Purpose of Meeting

- Introduction to CTDOT Accessible Pedestrian Signal (APS) Upgrade project
- Provide Project Overview and Status
- Obtain Public Input
- Respond to Public Comments via Live Q&A Session



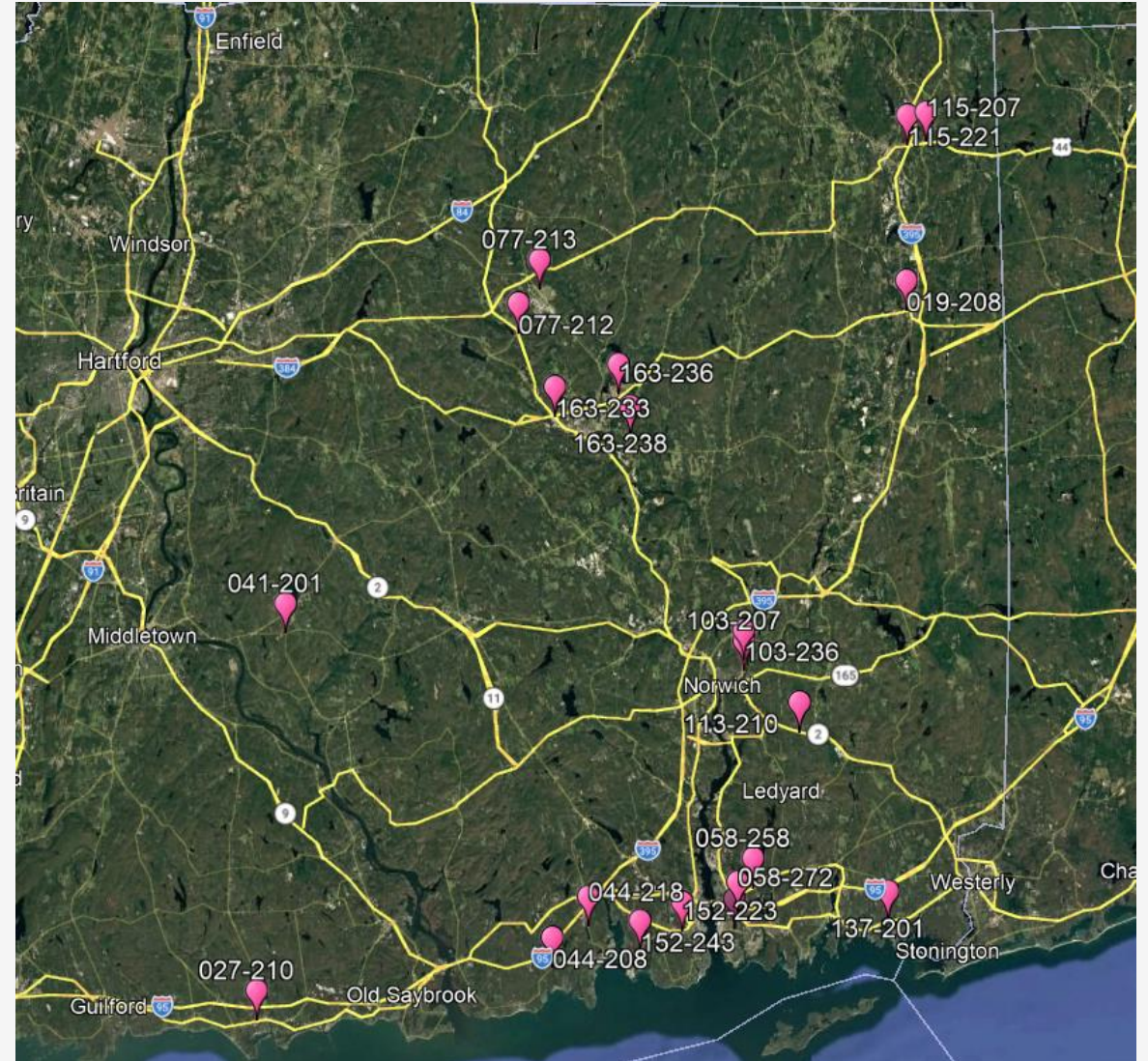
APS Upgrades Project

- State owns and maintains 2,801 traffic signals
- Upgrade pedestrian signal components to match current State practice
- Goal to enhance pedestrian accessibility to address the safety of vulnerable road users.
- Factors that are considered :
 - Existing Pedestrian Treatment
 - Age of Equipment
 - Pedestrian Crash history



Project Overview

- APS Upgrades at 21 Locations
 - Brooklyn – 1 Signal
 - Clinton – 1 Signal
 - East Hampton – 1 Signal
 - East Lyme – 2 Signals
 - Groton – 3 Signals
 - Mansfield – 2 Signals
 - Norwich – 2 Signals
 - Preston – 1 Signal
 - Putnam – 2 Signals
 - Stonington – 1 Signal
 - Waterford – 2 Signals
 - Windham – 3 Signals



Project Overview

- Purpose & Need
 - Provide pedestrian pedestals, APS pushbuttons, countdown signal heads, sidewalk ramps, and leading pedestrian intervals (LPI) as appropriate at various locations in District 2 to meet current MUTCD and ADA requirements.
 - Provide the traveling public with improved tools to safely use crosswalks and promote non-vehicular mobility at various state-maintained traffic control signals.
 - Countdown signal heads and LPI phasing have been shown to have a 25 percent and 60 percent reduction in pedestrian collisions, respectively.



Pedestrian Accommodations

- Regulatory Signage
- Pedestrian Countdown Signals with Tactile Push Buttons
- New Crosswalks and ADA Compliant Ramps
- New Sidewalks Connecting Ramps



Concurrent Pedestrian Phasing



Signals for
Parallel
Motorists

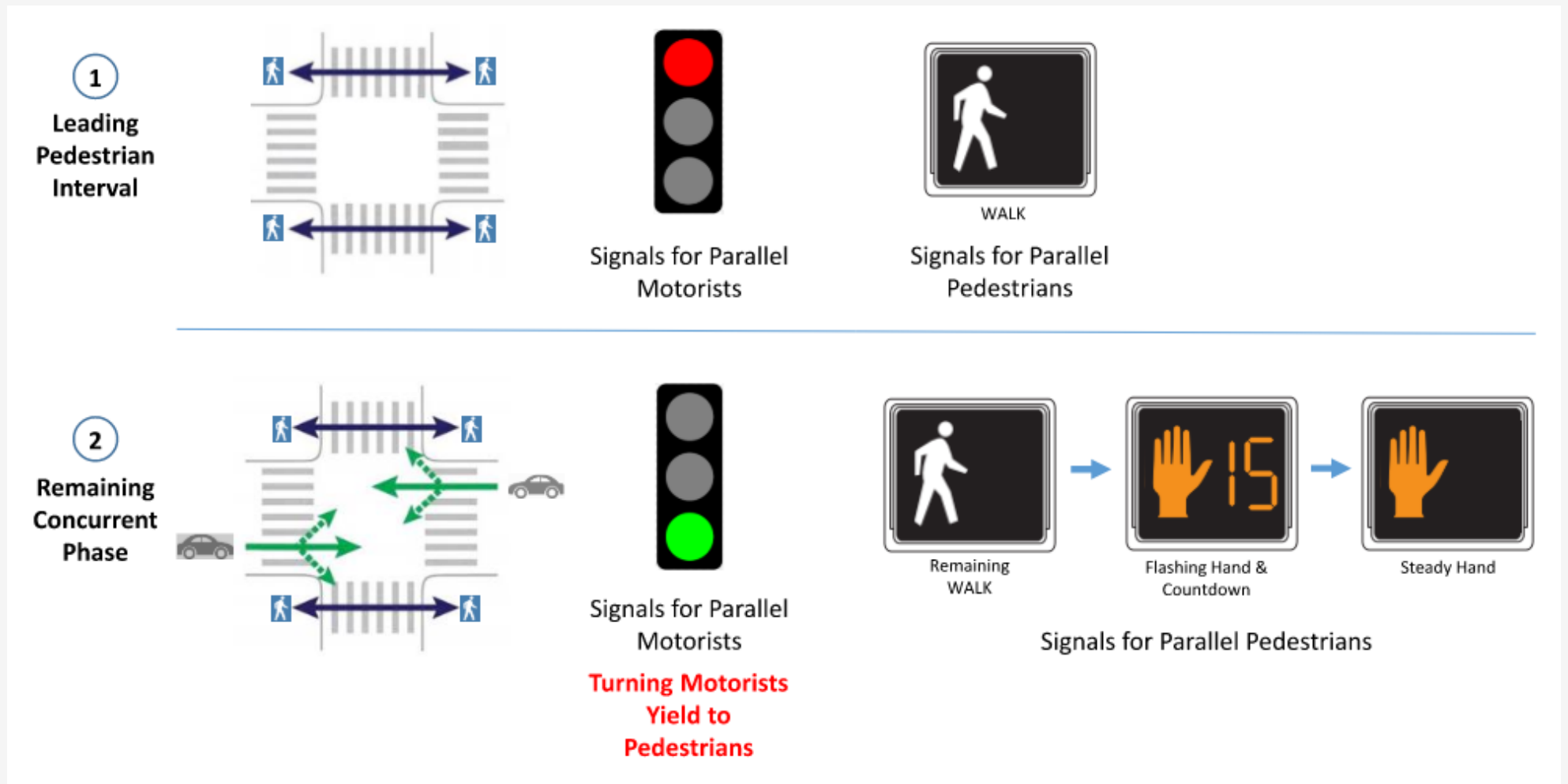


Pedestrian
Signal

Working toward Concurrent (Green) Pedestrian Phasing

- Pedestrians cross the main road while side street (parallel) motorists have a **green ball** indication
- Separate **pedestrian signal face**
- Benefits:
 - Clarifies to pedestrians & drivers when peds should cross
 - Increased pedestrian compliance
 - Reduced delay to peds & drivers

Concurrent with Leading Pedestrian Interval (LPI)



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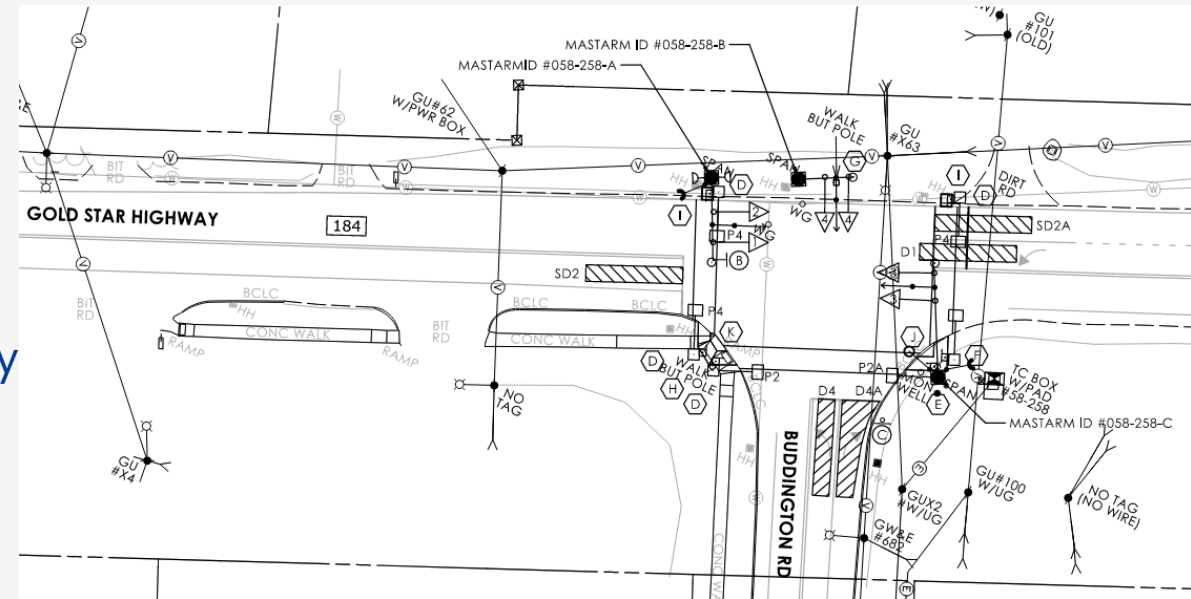
Project Coordination

- Town Notification letters sent to Municipalities – September 19, 2025
- Public Information Meeting Notice to Municipalities – May 21, 2026
- Virtual Public Information Meeting – June 1, 2026
- Utility Coordination
 - Virtual Meeting with Utility companies – TBD, Summer 2026
 - Field Meeting with Utility companies – TBD, Summer 2026



Right of Way (ROW) Impacts

- Traffic Easements
 - Process ongoing
 - Number of impacts yet to be finalized
 - Locations identified with adjacent historic properties
 - East Lyme (044-208) and Groton (058-258)
 - Additional findings to be confirmed by the Office of Environmental Planning during Preliminary Design review
- CTDOT ROW Process



Division of Rights of Way

Our Division

- Administration Agents
- Title Searchers
- Licensed Appraisers
- Acquisition Agents (Negotiators)
- Title Closing Agents

Our Function

- Acquire all property/property rights necessary for state projects

Statutory References

- State of Connecticut
 - C.G.S. Section 13a-73 & 13a-98e
- Federal
 - Uniform Relocation Assistance, as amended
 - Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, as amended



Division of Rights of Way

INITIAL LETTER

Communication to initiate the states acquisition process

VALUATION

Determine fair market value of property rights

OFFER

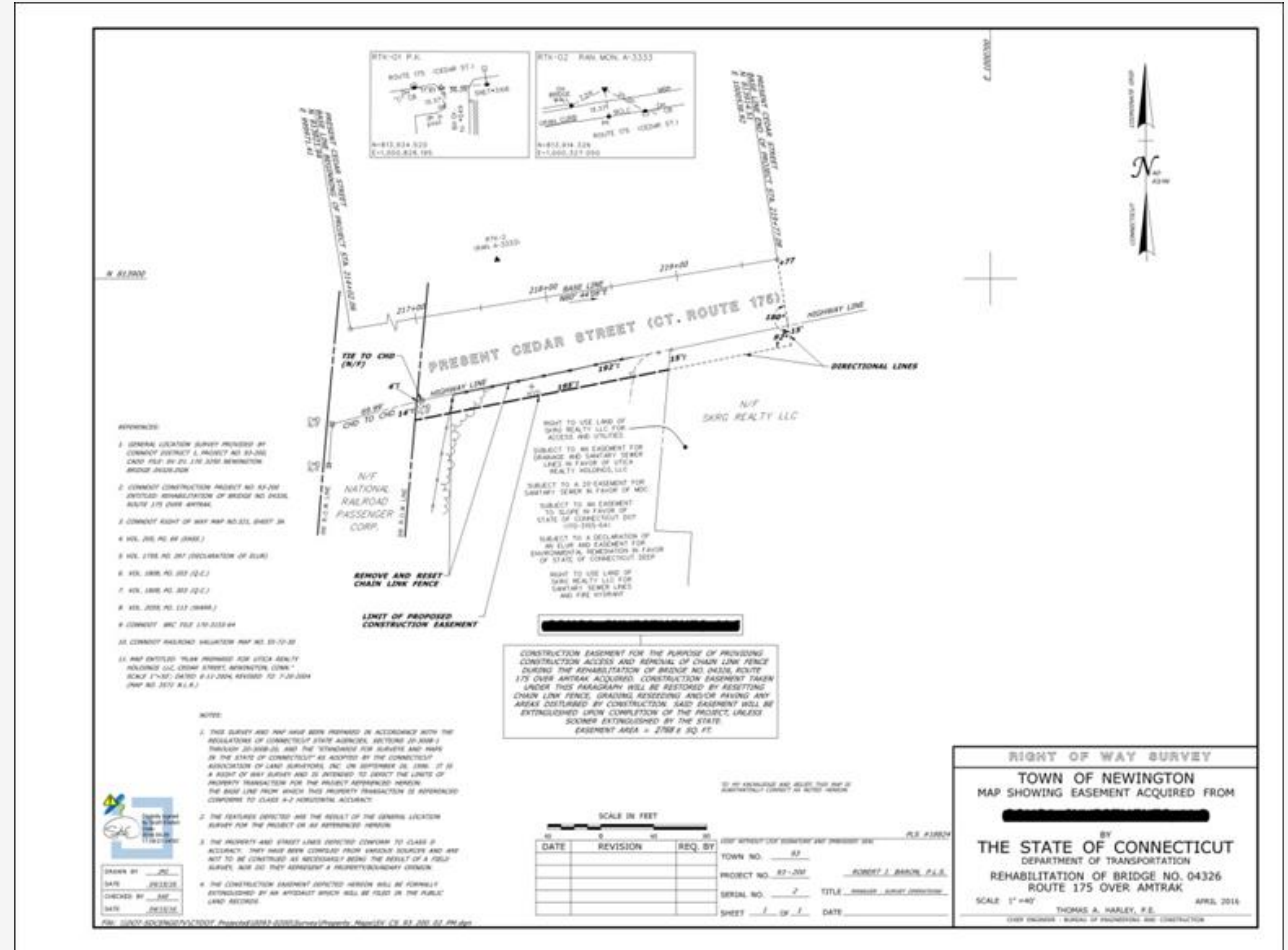
The offer to acquire necessary property/property rights

NEGOTIATION

The time to consider the states offer and enter negotiations

AGREEMENT

Friendly Agreement
Eminent Domain



Project Cost & Design Schedule

Project Cost

- Federal (90%) and State (10%) Funding
- Project Budget - \$6.9 Million

Design Schedule

- Preliminary Design → Under Review
- Semi-Final Design → Fall 2026
- Final Design Plans (FDP) → 8/4/2027
- Advertising Date → 10/13/2027
- Construction Start Date → Spring 2028



Next Steps

- Advance Design
 - Incorporate Public Feedback
 - Continue Traffic Signal Design
 - Identify ROW Needs
 - Utility Company Coordination



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