

## Hybrid PIM Public Notice/Display Ad Template

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### **CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

### **HYBRID VIRTUAL PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING**

### **State Project Nos. 0300-0214 and 0301-0550**

(TIME-1 and TIME-3) MNRR Improvements and CEPA Scoping Meeting

**Stratford Town Hall**

**Council Chambers, Room 211**

**2725 Main Street**

**Stratford, Connecticut 06615**

April 25, 2023 at 7 p.m.

Register: <http://portal.ct.gov/DOT300-214>

YouTube Livestream: <https://portal.ct.gov/ctdotvpimarchive>

The purpose of this meeting is to provide the community an opportunity to learn about the proposed project and allow an open discussion of any views and comments concerning the proposed improvements. A Q&A session will immediately follow the presentation.

Project No. 300-214 TIME-1: The purpose of the TIME-1 project is to increase the Maximum Authorized Speed (MAS) of a three-mile section of Metro North Railroad (MNRR) in the cities of Bridgeport to Stratford from 70 mph to 90 mph. The project will consist of the reconstruction of track to improve track geometry from Mile Post (M.P.) 56.77 (east of Seaview Avenue, Bridgeport) running easterly to M.P. 60.30 (approximately 400 feet east of East Main Street/State Route 113, Stratford), including corresponding overhead catenary adjustments and the reconstruction of eight bridges using accelerated construction techniques. Bridges at Bishop Avenue (Bridgeport), Bruce Avenue (Stratford), W. Broad Street (Stratford), King Street (Stratford), Main Street (Stratford), Longbrook Avenue (Stratford) and East Main Street (Stratford) that intersect with MNRR will be replaced as part of this project. This project is in Bridgeport and Stratford.

Project No. 301-550 TIME-3: The purpose of the TIME-3 project is to construct a new interlock and add to an existing interlock. The new interlock built in Stratford, CP-259 (Change Point), is located within the TIME-1 project area and will allow for improved operations for trains and high-speed track changes. The construction of a new almost-universal interlocking, CP-259, which will be located due southwest of W. Broad Street in Stratford and ending just northeast of Longbrook Avenue. The project will consist of the addition of one-track crossover to CP-261, which is located directly east of Naugatuck Avenue in Milford Connecticut. This project is in Stratford and Milford.

There are right-of-way impacts associated with the proposed improvements and are anticipated to be construction easements and slope easements.

Construction is anticipated to begin in spring of 2025 based on the availability of funding, acquisition of rights of way, and approval of permit(s). These projects are anticipated to be undertaken with Federal funds and State funds. The project is identified as State Project No. 0300-0214 and 0301-0550.

Please register for the virtual public information meeting at <http://portal.ct.gov/DOT300-214>. Registration is required to participate. Once registered, you will receive a confirmation email with a link to access the meeting.

Members of the public can submit comments and questions during the two-week public comment period following the meeting. Please direct comments and questions by May 9, 2023 to: [DOTProject300-214@ct.gov](mailto:DOTProject300-214@ct.gov) and 860-594-2020 or Haresh Dholakia, Transportation Supervising Engineer (860-594-3173; [Hareshkumar.Dholakia@ct.gov](mailto:Hareshkumar.Dholakia@ct.gov)).

#### ACCESSIBILITY

This meeting will also be livestreamed on YouTube, and closed captioning will be available. Non-English translation options will be available on Zoom and YouTube. The recording will also be available on CTDOT's YouTube Virtual Public Information Meeting playlist: <https://portal.ct.gov/ctdotvpimarchive>.

Persons with limited internet access, use the call-in number 877-853-5257 and enter Meeting ID 835 2949 7469. Persons with limited internet access may also request that project information be mailed to them within one week by contacting Haresh Dholakia ([Hareshkumar.Dholakia@ct.gov](mailto:Hareshkumar.Dholakia@ct.gov); 860-594-3173).

Persons with hearing and/or speech disabilities may dial 711 for Telecommunications Relay Services (TRS).

Language assistance may be requested by contacting CTDOT's Language Assistance Call Line (860) 594-2109. Requests should be made at least five 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.