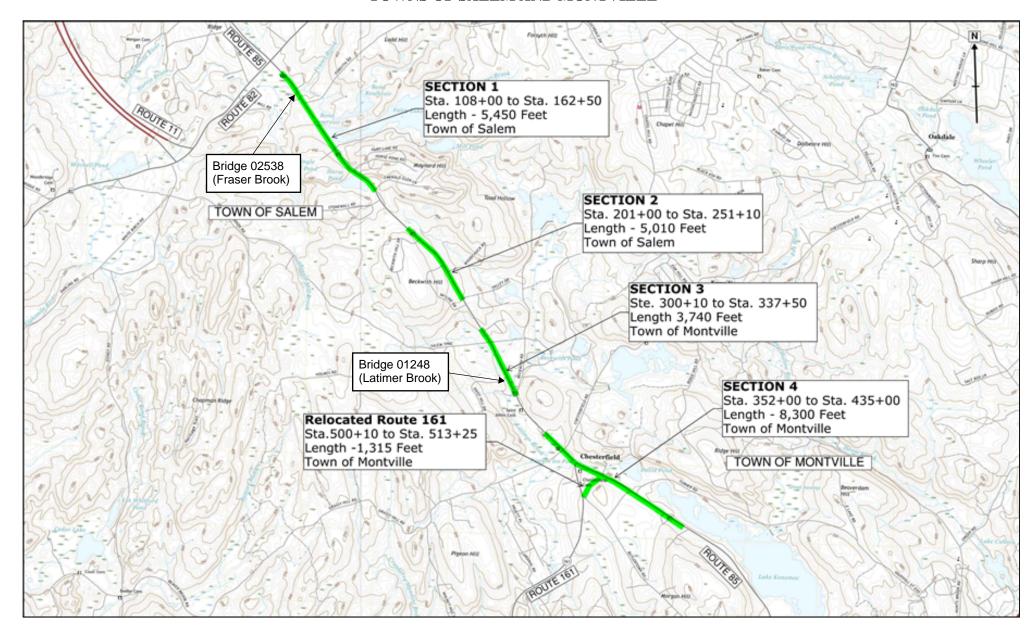
## LOCATION MAP PROJECT NO. 0085-0146 ROUTE 85 IMPROVEMENTS SOUTH OF ROUTE 82 TOWNS OF SALEM AND MONTVILLE



## STATE PROJECT NO. 85-146 ROUTE 85 IMPROVEMENTS - SOUTH OF ROUTE 82 TOWNS OF SALEM AND MONTVILLE

Project No. 85-146 includes four separate segments along Route 85 south of Route 82 in the Towns of Salem and Montville. This 5+ mile section of Route 85 is classified as a Principal Arterial and National Highway System route, and functions as a major north-south route linking the New London and Hartford areas.

The project limits begin just south of the intersection of Route 85 and Route 82 (Salem Four Corners Roundabout) and extends southerly to a point 800 feet south of the intersection with Lakewood Drive in Montville. The proposed improvements include widening shoulders, upgrading guiderail, addressing vertical geometry deficiencies, addressing isolated drainage, accommodating bypass and bicycles, and constructing new climbing lanes where appropriate. The proposed work also includes the relocation of approximately 2000 feet of Route 161 from its present location to be realigned opposite with a local road named Deer Run. The new intersection of Route 85, Route 161 and Deer Run is proposed to be a single lane roundabout. The existing intersection of Route 85 at Grassy Hill Road and Chesterfield Road will be expanded to incorporate improved turning radii, auxiliary turning lanes, and a new traffic signal. Two bridges are proposed to be replaced, Route 85 over Fraser Brook (Bridge No. 02538) and Route 85 over Latimer Brook (Bridge No. 01248), to meet the latest design standards and upgraded Route 85 geometry.

Construction is anticipated to begin in Summer 2024 based on the availability of funding, acquisition of rights of way and approval of environmental permits. The estimated construction cost for this project is approximately \$38 million. This project is anticipated to be undertaken with eighty percent Federal funds and twenty percent State funds.