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CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING

State Project No. 0116-0135

Replacement of Bridge No. 01015 carrying Route 53 over the Saugatuck Reservoir

Town of Redding

Thursday, June 27, 2024, 7:00 p.m.

The meeting will be held at Redding Community Center 37 Lonetown Road Redding, CT 06875

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.

The purpose of the project is to replace Bridge No. 01015 to address the poor condition of the existing substructure. The proposed structure is a single span steel girder superstructure with curb-to-curb width of 32 feet and a span length of 65 feet. The superstructure will be supported on semi-integral reinforced concrete abutments.

The project will be constructed utilizing a full detour, closing off Glen Road and Newtown Turnpike between Tudor Road and hiking trail parking access on Glen Road and on Newtown Turnpike north of the bridge. This area will be closed to pedestrian, bicycle, and vehicular traffic for the duration of construction. The proposed detour is approximately 14 miles long using state routes.

There are right-of-way impacts associated with the proposed improvements, including permanent takes of Aquarion Water Company property around the proposed abutments and wingwalls, and temporary construction easements to Aquarion Water Company property to demolish the existing structure and build the proposed structure.

Construction is anticipated to begin October 2026 based on the availability of funding, acquisition of rights of way, and approval of permit(s). The estimated construction cost for this project is approximately \$7,200,000. This project is anticipated to be undertaken with 80 percent Federal funds and 20 percent State funds.

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 July 11, 2024 to: DOTProject0116-135@ct.gov and 860-594-2020 or to Ken-Taro Plude (860-594-3343; Ken-Taro.Plude@ct.gov).

ACCESSIBILITY

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.