

Members of the public are invited to

CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

VIRTUAL PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING

State Project No. 0111-0125 – Replacement of Bridge No. 05664 – Taft Pond Road over Mashamoquet Brook

Pomfret

Tuesday, October 17th, 2023 7:00 p.m.

Register: <https://portal.ct.gov/DOTpomfret111-125>

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.

The purpose of the project is to replace Bridge No. 05664, which carries Taft Pond Road over Mashamoquet Brook, due to its weight restrictions, scour deficiency, and sub-standard bridge rail. The proposed 39'-0" long replacement structure is a prestressed concrete adjacent deck unit bridge that will eliminate weight restrictions and improve hydraulic adequacy. The superstructure will be supported by concrete abutments with foundations designed to resist scour, addressing the current scour deficiency. An aesthetically pleasing 3-tube open bridge rail system meeting current design standards is proposed along both fasciae. The proposed 24'-0" wide roadway will be reconstructed approximately 270 feet south of the bridge and 215 feet north of the bridge. There will be a slight westerly shift in the horizontal alignment while the existing vertical alignment will be maintained. Traffic will be detoured during construction through a 9-mile detour route around the bridge.

There are right-of-way impacts associated with the proposed improvements. The proposed bridge replacement will require permanent slope easements (3 properties).

Construction is anticipated to begin Spring 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 \$2.45 Million. This project is anticipated to be undertaken with 80% federal funds and 20% state funds.

Please register for the virtual public information meeting at <https://portal.ct.gov/DOTpomfret111-125>. 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 October 31, 2023 to: DOT-FLBP@ct.gov and 860-594-2020 or Andrew Shields, Andrew.Shields@ct.gov; (860)594-2077.

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 814 1554 0783. Persons with limited internet access may also request that project information be mailed to them within one week by contacting Andrew Shields, Andrew.Shields@ct.gov; (860)594-2077.

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.