

Members of the public are invited to

CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

VIRTUAL PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING

State Project No. 0140-0178, Metallizing of 11 Bridges Along Route 8

Towns of Thomaston and Litchfield

Thursday, May 18, 2023 7:00 p.m.

Register: <http://portal.ct.gov/DOTThomaston140-178>

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 protect steel members and preserve the condition of these steel bridges, thus extending their useful service life. This project is part of a statewide bridge painting program.

Right-of-way impacts associated with the proposed project are not anticipated.

Construction is anticipated to begin Spring 2024 based on the availability of funding. The estimated construction cost for this project is approximately \$33,000,000. This project is anticipated to be undertaken with 80% federal funds and 20% state funds.

Please register for the virtual public information meeting at <http://portal.ct.gov/DOTThomaston140-178>. 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 June 1, 2023 to: DOTProject140-178@ct.gov and 860-594-2020 or Alvaro Garcia Jr., P.E., Transportation Supervising Engineer, at (860) 594-3353 or at alvaro.garcia@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 886 8459 4435. Persons with limited internet access may also request that project information be mailed to them within one week by contacting Alvaro Garcia Jr., P.E., Transportation Supervising Engineer, at (860) 594-3353 or at alvaro.garcia@ct.gov

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.