

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
MASSACHUSETTS HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT
NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING

A Public Hearing will be held by the Massachusetts Highway Department (MassHighway) to discuss the Environmental Assessment/Draft Environmental Impact Report (EA/DEIR) for the proposed transportation improvements along Route 1 in the Cities of Revere and Malden, and Town of Saugus, Massachusetts.

WHERE: Revere City Hall
City Council Chambers
281 Broadway
Revere, Massachusetts

WHEN: Thursday, February 28, 2008 at 7:00 P.M.

PURPOSE: The Hearing is to be held to provide the public with the opportunity of becoming fully acquainted with the EA/DEIR for the proposed project. All views and comments made at this Hearing will be reviewed and considered to the maximum extent possible.

PROPOSAL: The proposed project consists of the following: MassHighway is proposing to make improvements to a portion of Route 1 in Revere, Malden and Saugus. The 2.4-mile improvement project begins 1,500 feet south of the Route 1/Route 60 interchange (Copeland Circle) and continues north through the Route 1/Route 99 interchange.

The overall purpose and need of the project includes the following elements:

- Improve regional mobility;
- Improve local mobility and access;
- Reduce congestion on Route 1 between Copeland Circle & Route 99; and
- Improve traffic safety caused by vehicle conflict points between Route 1 mainline and on- and off-ramps.

The project's purpose and need will be mainly achieved by widening Route 1 from two lanes to three lanes (in each direction), to make a consistent cross-section for this area of Route 1. Additionally, the interchange at Route 1 and Copeland Circle (Route 60) will be reconstructed and a new interchange will be constructed north of the Salem and Lynn Street off-ramps (replacing these deficient on- and off-ramp systems).

The EA/DEIR will be available for review at the MassHighway District Four Office, 519 Appleton Street, Arlington; at the Revere, Malden and Saugus public libraries; or from John Fallon at MassHighway, 10 Park Plaza, Room 4260, Boston, MA 02116.

Written views received by MassHighway subsequent to the date of notice and up to five (5) days before the date of the hearing will be displayed for public inspection and copying at the time and date listed above.

Written statements and other exhibits in place of, or in addition, to oral testimony at the Public Hearing regarding the proposed undertaking, are to be submitted to: Secretary of the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs, 100 Cambridge Street, Boston MA 02114; Lucy Garliauskas, Federal Highway Administration, 55 Broadway, Cambridge MA 02142; and Frank Tramontozzi, P.E., Chief Engineer, MassHighway, 10 Park Plaza, Boston, MA 02116. Such submissions will be accepted at the hearing, or may be sent to the above-mentioned parties. The final date for receipt of written comments on the EA/DEIR is April 5, 2008.

The plans will be on display with an engineer in attendance at the Revere City Hall Auditorium from 6:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. on the date of the hearing.

Luisa Paiewonsky, Commissioner

Frank Tramontozzi, P.E., Chief Engineer