THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION – HIGHWAY DIVISION <u>NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING WEBINAR</u> <u>Project File No. 608164</u>

A Design Public Hearing Webinar will be published on the MassDOT website to present the design for the proposed Bruce Freeman Rail Trail project in the Towns of Sudbury and Concord, MA.

WHEN: Thursday, July 16, 2020

PURPOSE: The purpose of this hearing webinar is to provide the public with the opportunity to become fully acquainted with the proposed multiuse path project. All views and comments submitted in response to the webinar will be reviewed and considered to the maximum extent possible.

PROPOSAL: The proposed project consists of 5.1 miles of a paved multiuse path following the abandoned rail corridor. In Sudbury, the trail extends 4.6 miles from near the intersection with Station Road off Union Avenue to the Concord Town Line. In Concord, the trail extends 0.5 miles from the Sudbury Town Line to the most recently built section of the Bruce Freeman Rail Trail at Powder Mill Road. The trail will include 9 roadway/driveway crossings and numerous stream crossings including but not limited to bridges over Hop Brook and Pantry Brook. The path will generally be 10 feet wide and aligned within the railroad right-of-way while being sensitive to the various environmental resource areas.

A secure right-of-way is necessary for this project. Acquisitions in fee and permanent or temporary easements may be required. The Towns are responsible for acquiring all needed rights in private or public lands. MassDOT's policy concerning land acquisitions will be presented in the webinar.

Written statements and other exhibits regarding the proposed undertaking are to be submitted to Patricia A. Leavenworth, P.E., Chief Engineer, MassDOT, 10 Park Plaza, Boston, MA 02116, Attention: **Project Management** Project File No. **608164**. Mailed statements and exhibits intended for inclusion in the public hearing webinar transcript must be postmarked no later than ten (10) business days after the webinar is posted to the MassDOT website listed below. Project inquiries may be emailed to <u>dot.feedback.highway@state.ma.us</u>

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