



Town of Holden

Department of Public Works



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Director of Public Works

December 18, 2018

Subject: Shrewsbury Street and Doyle Road Improvement Project

Dear Property Owner:

The Town of Holden has completed the preliminary investigations necessary to begin the engineering design of a construction project to improve portions of Shrewsbury Street and Doyle Road, as part of the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) of the Central Massachusetts Metropolitan Planning Organization (CMMPO). As previously mentioned in a letter sent to you (dated 8/20/2018), the purpose of this project is to provide roadway and traffic safety improvements from Main Street (Route 122A) to Brattle Street along Shrewsbury Street and Doyle Road, a distance of approximately 1.3 miles. The Town is asking the CMMPO and the Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT) to schedule this project for the 2024 fiscal year of the CMMPO's 2019-2024 5-Year TIP program, if not sooner.

The investigations of the existing conditions along the project route have been used to develop a 10-percent, preliminary design. This project design is in its early stages, and is subject to change based upon input from members of the Public, Town staff, and Town board and committee members, as well as MassDOT staff. It is expected that temporary and permanent easements may be necessary as part of the project. The project design seeks to provide a roadway that accommodates all users of the transportation system in a safe manner, while also meeting MassDOT standards.

A Public Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 9, 2019 at 7:00 P.M. in the Community Meeting Room of the Holden Municipal Light Department, 1 Holden Street, weather permitting. The purpose of the meeting is to present the preliminary conceptual design for the project, and to solicit comments and suggestions from the Public. This feedback will be evaluated and used to inform the next phase of the design process.

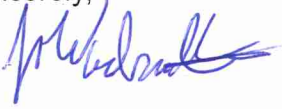
Based on the preliminary design, we have identified Right-of-Way conflicts that may require easements on your property may be necessary as part of the project. All abutters, as well as the public, are invited to this meeting. But due to the possible easements, we encourage your attendance, and wish to hear your opinion and feedback.

If you are unable to attend the meeting, the preliminary design will be posted in the Town's website under the Department of Public Works Projects:

<http://www.holdenma.gov/department-of-public-works/news/shrewsbury-street-and-doyle-road-improvement-project>

Comments can also be submitted via the above website. If you have any questions, please contact Isabel McCauley, Senior Civil Engineer at 508-210-5550, or by email at imccauley@holdenma.gov. Thank you in advance for taking the time to review this design and provide us with your feedback.

Sincerely,



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