

Welcome!

Improvements and Related Work on Central Street (Route 202)
From Front Street to Maple Street
Town of Winchendon | Project File No. 608548

Design Public Hearing
Winchendon Town Hall
February 28, 2019 | 7:00 P.M.

Introduction

- **MassDOT**
 - Thomas Currier, PE, Project Manager
- **Town of Winchendon**
 - Keith Hickey, Town Manager
 - Albert Gallant, Director of Public Works
 - Tracy Murphy, Director of Planning & Development
- **Designer, Tighe & Bond, Inc.**
 - David Loring, PE, ENV SP, LEED AP
 - Alex Fagnand, PE, ENV SP



History of Public Outreach

- **Tri-fold brochure and poster at Town Booth at October 2017 Fall Fest**
- **Public Survey Conducted Electronically (October 2017)**
- **Presentation to the Public at Special Joint Meeting of the Select Board and Planning Board – October 30, 2017**
- **Project Updates to the Public at Select Board Meeting – February 26, 2018**



Project Team



Town of Winchendon

Project Proponent

Tighe & Bond, Inc.

Responsible for Design

MassDOT's Highway Division

Responsible for administering the Design Process and providing Resident Engineer Services during Construction

Federal Highway Administration

Responsible for Oversight

Project Area



Central Street (Route 202)

**Why do we need
this project?**



Existing Issues

- **Safety Concerns**
 - High accident rate (8.47 MEV vs. 3.70 MEV State Average) at intersecting roadways
 - Intersection sight distance (ISD)
 - Pedestrian crossings
- **Roadway Condition**
 - Deteriorated pavement/utility trench repairs
 - Poor drainage
- **ADA & Multi-Modal Accommodation**
 - Poor sidewalk condition with non-compliant curb cut ramps
 - No dedicated bicycle space
- **Utilities**
 - Old and undersized sewer and water lines
 - Increased frequency of repairs due to failures

Existing Issues (cont.)

October 2017 Summary Results

- **Speeding**
 - “Currently, traffic moves too fast down Central Street...”
 - “Speeding. Central Street is thickly settled – 25 mph...”
- **Streetscape**
 - “...plants plants plants...”
 - “Need to somehow tie each end of Central Street together...”
 - “Park benches. Better sidewalks. Outside dining...”
- **Blair Square**
 - “Need rotary”
 - “A rotary at Central and Front...”
 - “...a traffic light at the intersection of Route 12...”

Existing Issues (cont.)

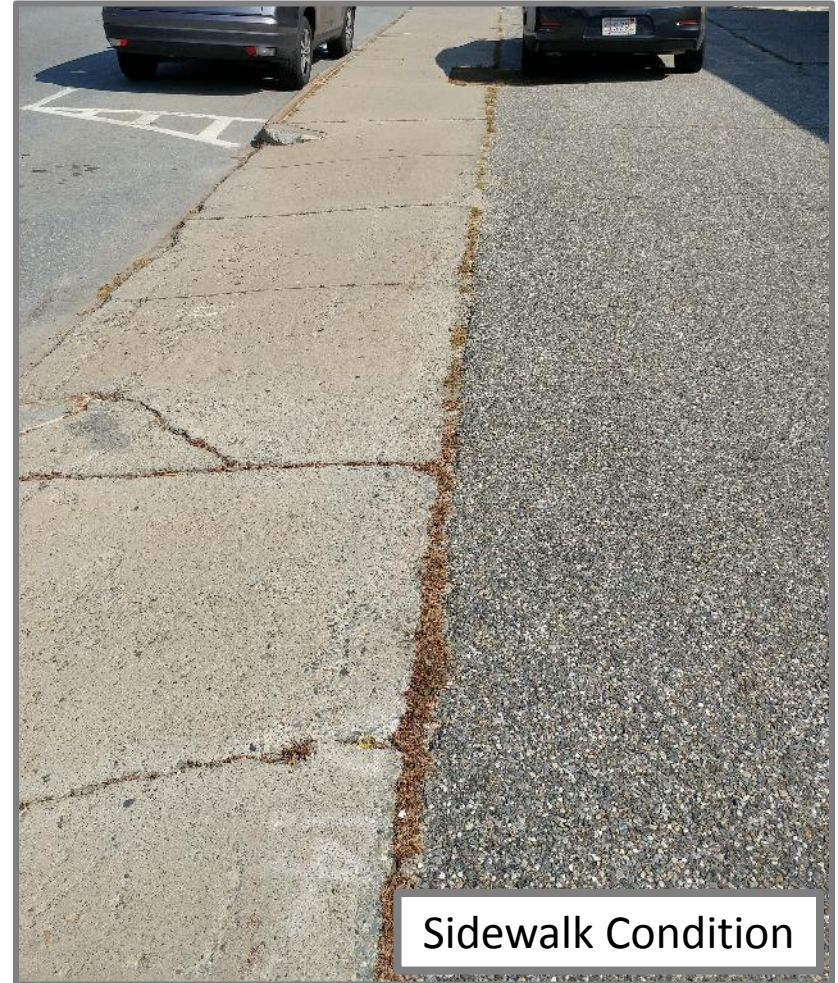


Insufficient Intersection Sight
Distance and ADA Accessibility

Existing Issues (cont.)



Pavement Condition



Sidewalk Condition

Project Goals

- Improve safety on Central Street for all users
- Improve accommodations on Central Street for all users
- Create a more “livable” downtown for residents that supports the local economy

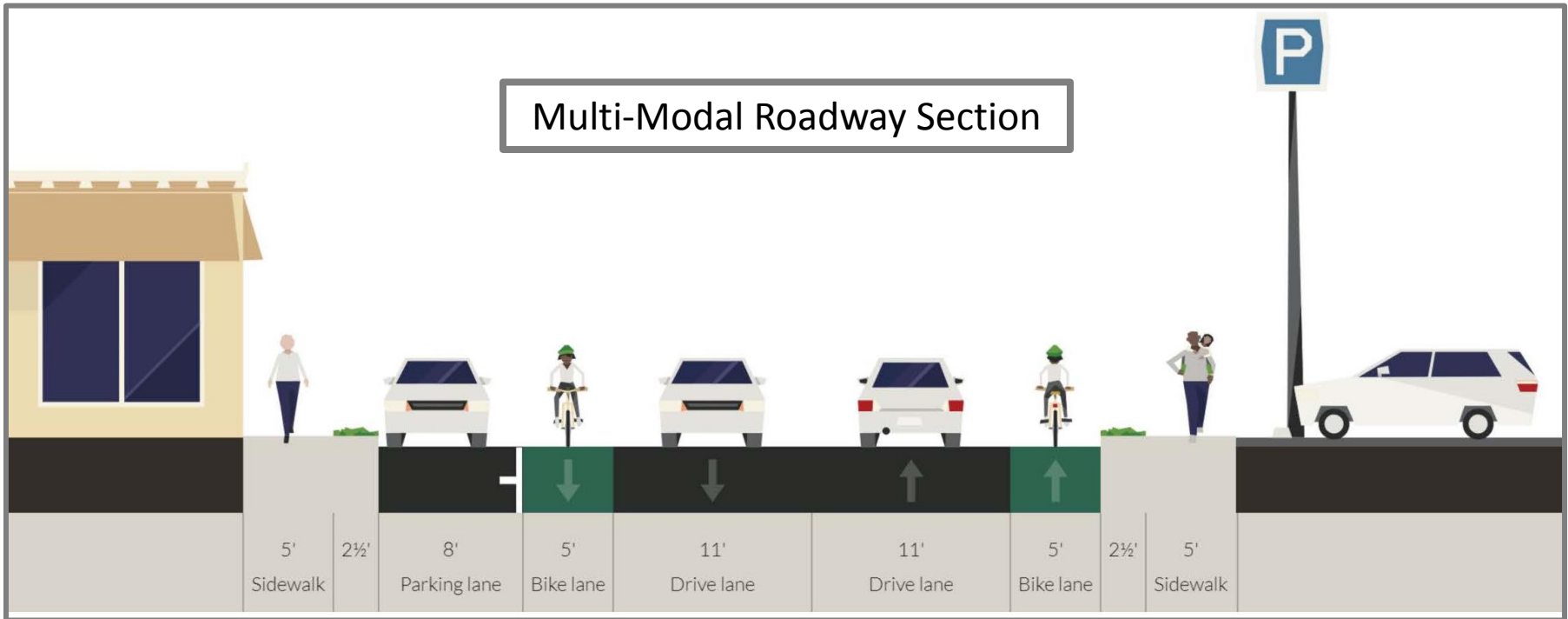
Project Scope

- **Install new public utilities**
 - Water main with hydrants and service connections
 - Sewer main with service connections
 - Storm drain system with BMPs to improve stormwater collection and quality of discharge and service connections
- **Adjust curb lines to accommodate a Multi-Modal Roadway Section**
 - Two travel lanes, two bicycle lanes, one parking lane, two sidewalks
- **Install new hot mix asphalt road surface and cement concrete sidewalks with ADA compliant curb cut ramps**
- **Install new pavement markings and signage to improve roadway operations**
- **Install lighting and streetscape amenities to enhance “livability”**
- **Minimal right-of-way impacts (Temporary Easements)**



Proposed Improvements

Multi-Modal Roadway Section



Project Schedule

25% Design Submittal
June 12, 2018

100% Design Submittal
June 2020

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***Construction Starts**
April 2021

***Construction likely to
finish in Summer 2022**

**How will traffic
be affected?**





ALERT: Traffic Impacts

- **Central Street will remain open during construction with Work Zone Restrictions in place**
- **Temporary lane closures will be required for work**
- **Every effort will be made to maintain at least one lane of traffic for the duration of the project**
- **Special work hours may be enacted to complete difficult portions of the work**
- **Access to abutting properties will be maintained at all times**
- **ADA compliant pedestrian routes or detours will be provided at all times**

Environmental Permitting



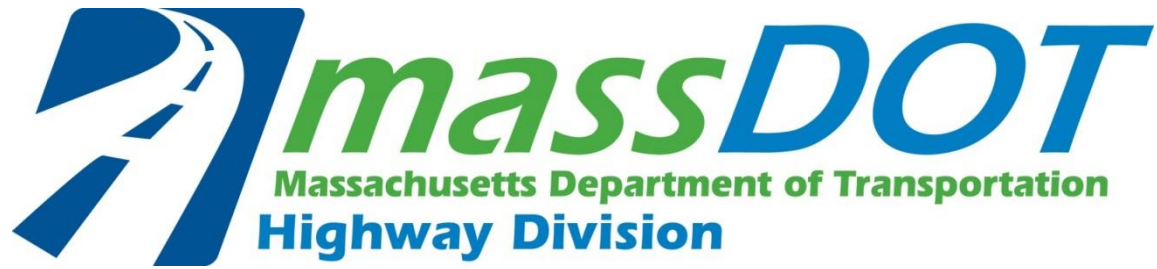
- **Early Environmental Coordination
(Included in 25% Design Submittal)**
- **No MEPA, DEP, or ACOE permits
required based on current scope of
work**

Contact Information



We want to hear your comments!

- Please use the mail-in comment sheets
- OR email Thomas Currier (Thomas.currier@dot.state.ma)



Thank You

Q&A

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