

*Everyone Is Invited To A*  
**PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING**  
**State Project No. 123-66**

Replacement of  
Bridge No. 00681  
Route 14 over Merrick Brook  
Scotland, Connecticut

**TO BE HELD**  
**Wednesday, November 29, 2017**

**(Inclement weather date December 6, 2017)**

at the

**Scotland Volunteer Fire Department**  
**47 Brook Road**  
**Scotland, Connecticut**

**Formal Presentation will begin at 7:00 p.m.**

*Residents, commuters, business owners, and other interested individuals are encouraged to take advantage of this opportunity to learn about and discuss the proposed project.*

**PLEASE JOIN US ON**  
**Wednesday, November 29, 2017**

The meeting facility is ADA accessible. Language assistance may be requested by contacting the Department's Office of Communications at (860) 594-3062 at least 5 business days prior to the meeting. Persons with hearing and/or speech disabilities may dial 711 for Telecommunications Relay Service (TRS). Language assistance is provided at no cost to the public and efforts will be made to respond to timely requests for assistance.

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT**  
**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

## Notice of Public Information Meeting

The Department of Transportation (Department) will conduct a Public Information Meeting concerning the proposed replacement of Bridge No. 00681, which carries Route 14 (Huntington Road) over Merrick Brook on Wednesday, November 29, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the Scotland Volunteer Fire Department, 47 Brook Road, Scotland, Connecticut. The inclement weather date will be December 6, 2017.

The purpose of the project is to replace the existing bridge with an integral abutment bridge due to the deteriorated condition of the existing structure.

The existing structure is 25 feet long with a curb-to-curb width of 22 feet and consists of steel beams encased in a concrete jack arch superstructure supported by masonry abutments. The existing bridge was built in 1914, carries one lane of traffic in each direction and is located 465 feet west of the junction with Route 97 (Devotion Road). The structure is rated in poor condition due to deterioration. The concrete encasement is spalled and deteriorated, exposing the bottom flanges of the encased steel beams and leading to corrosion and section loss.

The proposed replacement will consist of integral abutments with approach slabs and a prestressed concrete deck unit superstructure topped with a 6 inch thick concrete deck slab and a bituminous wearing surface. The existing abutments will be cut down and a portion left in place, and the bridge will be longer to span over the existing abutments. Construction will be performed in two stages while maintaining alternating one-way traffic. To accommodate traffic throughout construction, the proposed structure will be permanently overbuilt to the south. Huntington Road will remain one lane in each direction but will be shifted south with no major profile change.

Right-of-way impacts associated with the proposed project may consist of minor construction easements.

Construction is anticipated to begin in spring 2020. The estimated construction cost for this project is approximately \$1.5 million.

The Public Information Meeting is being held to afford a full opportunity for public participation and to allow open discussion of any views and comments the community may have concerning this proposed project.

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Preliminary plans of the proposed project will be on display for public review. Department personnel will be available during the meeting to discuss this project. More detailed information is available at the Department's Office of Engineering, 2800 Berlin Turnpike, Newington, Connecticut, Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., excluding holidays. Anyone wishing to discuss the project may contact Ms. Susan Morrison at (860) 594-3145 or by e-mail at [Susan.Morrison@ct.gov](mailto:Susan.Morrison@ct.gov).