STATE OF VERMONT AGENCY OF TRANSPORTATION

RE: COLCHESTER NH 028-1(31)

NOTICE OF 19 V.S.A. SECTION 502 PUBLIC HEARING

The Vermont Agency of Transportation (VTrans) hereby gives notice to property owners, parties interested in land or with rights in land, and municipalities affected by the proposed construction of the above-captioned transportation project, that VTrans will conduct a 19 V.S.A. Section 502 public hearing at 6:00 PM on Thursday, November 12, 2020. The meeting will be broadcast virtually through the Zoom online platform with the option to also join via telephone. VTrans is holding this hearing to receive suggestions and recommendations for changes from the public. The full hearing, along with any questions or comments will be recorded and transcribed for the hearing record.

To join the virtual Public Hearing, please use the below link to the online webinar or the telephone number with webinar ID and Passcode. To receive an electronic link to the hearing, please email the VTrans Project Manager at the email address below.

Link to join the Zoom webinar:

https://vhb.zoom.us/j/95585699018?pwd=M2ZHd2RxbkdKdXM0QXhsdUNZNEtMUT09

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VTrans will accept oral or written statements or exhibits at the hearing and for ten (10) days after the hearing via mail or email. VTrans will make these materials part of the hearing record. To submit statements or exhibits after the hearing, please contact the VTrans Project Manager, Patti Coburn.

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The project is described as follows: This project is located at the Interstate 89 Exit 17 interchange with US Route 2 and nearby intersection of US Route 2 and US Route 7 (Chimney Corners) in the Town Colchester. The purpose of the project is to enhance the operation of Exit 17 by reducing traffic congestion at the ramps and the adjacent US 2/US 7 intersection; provide infrastructure for safe and efficient travel by all users; and to replace the structurally deficient bridge. The proposed project will include the realignment of U.S. Route 2 with a new bridge over the interstate, reconfiguration and realignment of the interstate ramps, roadway widening and resurfacing along U.S. Route 7, new traffic signals at three intersections, new stormwater management features, and various other incidental highway related items such as guardrail, street lighting, signage, and pavement markings.

VTrans is notifying by certified mail all parties it knows who may be, but not necessarily will be, affected by the proposed project. VTrans cannot describe the parties actually affected by the proposed project or the exact extent to which the project will affect them until the final design plans are prepared after the hearing.

Members of the public may see a copy of the preliminary plans for this project online at the project SharePoint website (https://outside.vermont.gov/agency/VTRANS/external/Projects/Structures/14T213). At the hearing, VTrans representatives will discuss relocation assistance programs and tentative schedules for right-of-way acquisition and construction.

Dated at Barre, Vermont, this 2nd day of October 2020.

JOE FLYNN, SECRETARY AGENCY OF TRANSPORTATION

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