


I-84 Danbury Project

Project Advisory Committee (PAC) Meeting No. 1

January 29, 2019








Purpose of Meeting

- Introduce team members
- Explain PAC's role
- Why improve I-84 in Danbury?
- Project Development Process



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Agenda

- Introductions
- Project Advisory Committee
- Project Overview
- Project Development Process
- Next Steps
- Project Contacts

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PAC Composition

- Comprised of Danbury area stakeholders with various interests

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Introductions / PAC Membership

AAA	Danbury Commission for Persons with Disabilities	League of Women Voters of Northern Fairfield County	Town of New Fairfield
Boehringer-Ingelheim	Danbury Hospital	Motor Transport Association of CT (MTAC)	Town of New Milford
Cartus	Danbury Housing Authority	New York Metropolitan Transportation Council	Town of Newtown
City of Danbury: Business Advocacy, Engineering, Health & Human Services, Library, Planning, Public Works, & Traffic	Danbury Public Schools	Putnam County, New York	Town of Redding
CityCenter Danbury	Get Downtown Danbury	Sierra Club	Town of Ridgefield
CTrides	Greater Danbury Chamber of Commerce	Spring Street Neighborhood	West Terrace Neighborhood
Connecticut State Police	Housatonic Area Regional Transit (HART)	Sterling Woods Association	Western Connecticut Council of Governments (WestCOG)
Danbury Airport	Housatonic Railroad	Town of Bethel	Western Connecticut State University
	Juniper Ridge Tax District	Town of Brookfield	West Side District

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PAC Member Roles and Responsibilities


The PAC serves as an advisory body to CTDOT and FHWA.

- Attend meetings
- Review material
- Be informed on the issues
- Collaborate in the development and assessment of alternatives
- Serve as link to the greater Danbury community


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PAC Protocol

- Meetings will start and end on time
- Each meeting will have a clearly stated purpose
- Be courteous, respectful, and considerate of all opinions
- Respect decisions made if you were absent
- It's okay to ask questions

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PAC Notebook

- Please bring with you to every meeting
- Project team will provide additions at each meeting
- If you leave your agency position, and thus leave the PAC, please leave the notebook for your successor
- If you miss a meeting and want the materials, please download them from the website at <http://www.i84danbury.com/project-advisory-committee/> or contact Marcy Miller at 860-256-4913 to have a copy mailed to you

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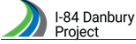
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Project Overview





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Why Improve I-84 in Danbury?


- Congestion
- Safety (about one crash a day)
- Accessibility (poor access to downtown and Danbury Hospital)
- Aging infrastructure – built in 1960s







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Project Area







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Project Facts and Figures


- Corridor Length
 - ✓ I-84about **6.5 miles**
 - ✓ Route 7about **1.5 miles**
- Age**57 years**
- Design Volume (1980).....**15,000** vehicles/day
- Current Traffic Volumes.....**80-110,000** vehicles/day







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Project Facts and Figures (cont.)

- % of local traffic on I-84.....**30-40%**
- % of truck traffic on I-84
 - ✓ Peakabout 7%
 - ✓ Off-peakabout 12%



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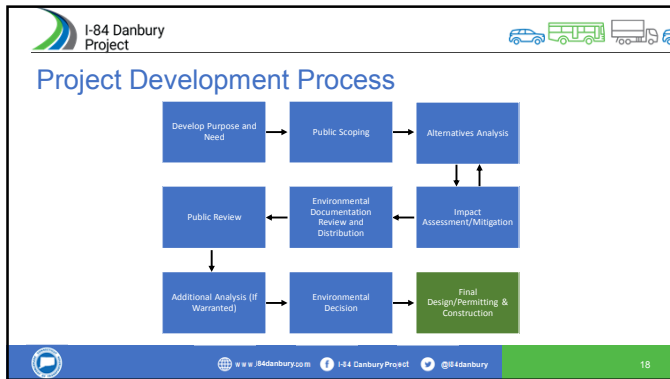


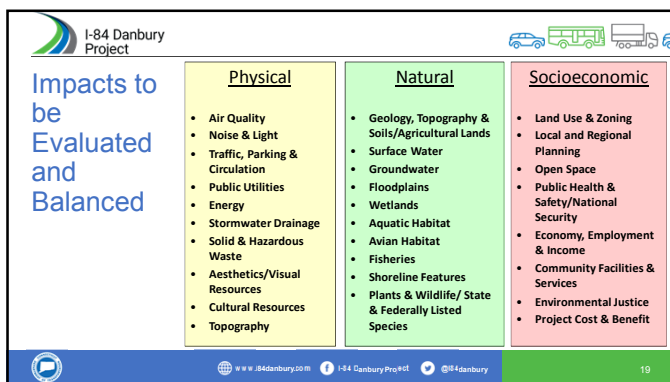
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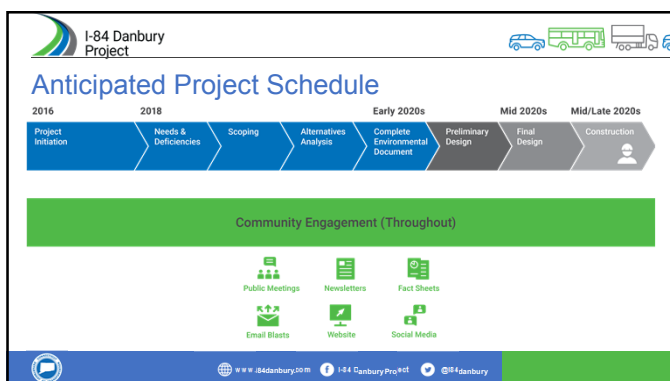
- What is NEPA/CEPA?
 - National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)
 - Connecticut Environmental Policy act (CEPA)
- Establishment of Project Purpose and Need
- Identification and Evaluation of a Range of Reasonable Alternatives
- Comprehensive Impact Analysis
- Public Involvement & Review



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Next Steps

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Future PAC Meetings

- Needs and Deficiencies Overview (March or April 2019) – PAC #2
- Draft Purpose and Need Statement – PAC #3
- Development of Concepts – PAC #4

Environmental Documentation

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Needs and Deficiencies Study

This report documents existing transportation conditions and identifies deficiencies within the project area. Report describes:

- Traffic Conditions
- Geometric Conditions
- Structural Conditions
- Geotechnical Conditions
- Safety Conditions
- Multimodal Conditions (pedestrian, bicycle, transit)

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Existing Conditions – AM

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Existing Conditions – PM

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