



# Why Improve I-84 in Danbury?

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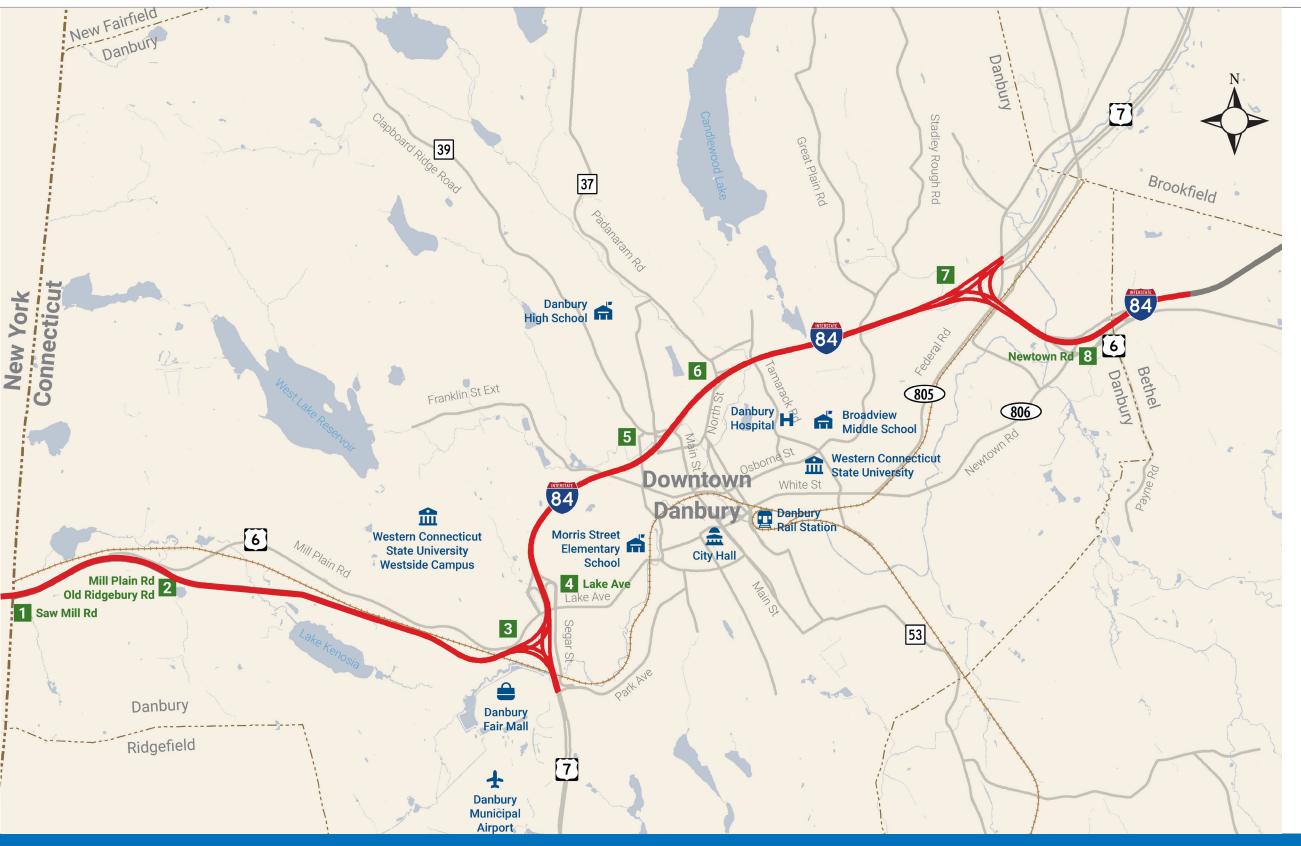








## **Project** Area













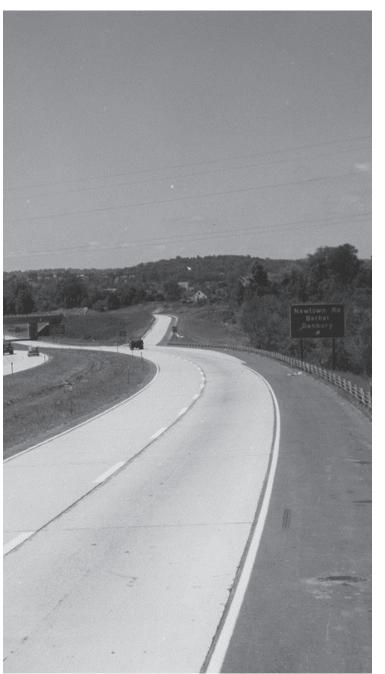






# Why Improve I-84 in Danbury?

- Congestion
- About one crash a day
- Poor access to downtown and Danbury Hospital
- Aging infrastructure built in 1960s





2018 1961











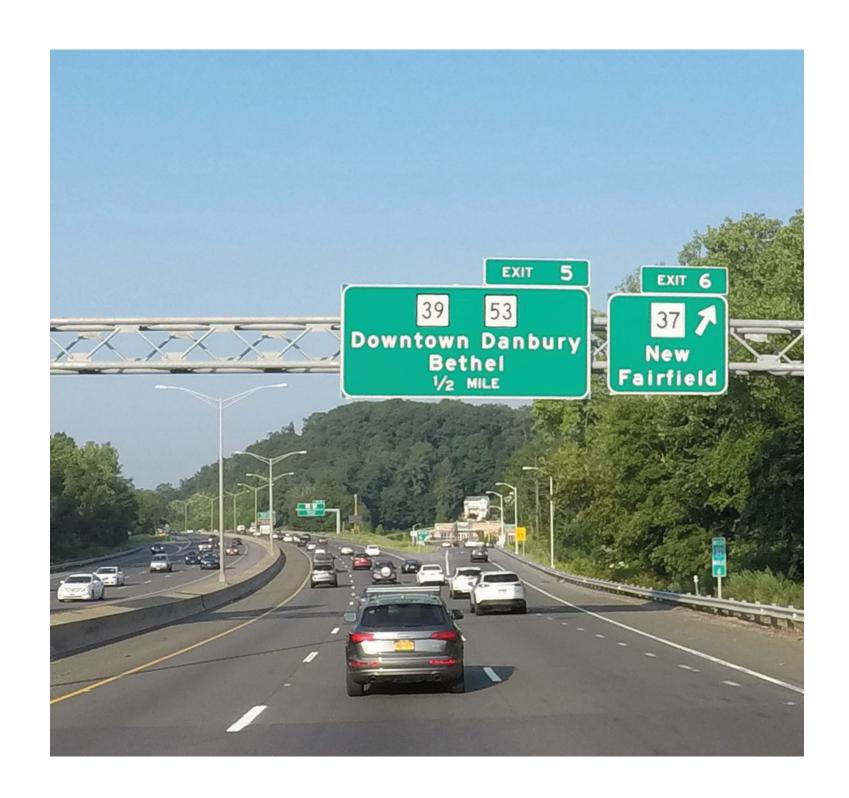






## **Traffic Congestion**

- Today, I-84 carries approximately 20 times more traffic than in the 1960s
- I-84 is at capacity and traffic volumes continue to grow
- About one-third of motorists use I-84 for local trips instead of city streets
- I-84 is a major truck route to northeast cities



















### Safety

- There is approximately one crash every day on I-84 in Danbury
- What are some of the factors that cause crashes?
  - Congestion
  - Highway geometry and poor ramp layout



Ramps on the left mean traffic must cross lanes to exit



Closely spaced ramps create weaving movements



Short ramp lengths cause traffic backups

















### **Community Survey**

- 94% say I-84 is critical to their travel needs
- 67% say they use I-84 for local travel
- 88% say congestion on I-84 causes frustration
- 4% say they use city buses
- 87% say they do not carpool and prefer to drive alone
- 84% say they do not use commuter rail
- About 50% say they would like to walk/bike if it was safe and convenient

















### **Potential Benefits of Project**



Safety



**Transit** 



**Local and Regional Freight Mobility** 



**Bicycle Travel** 



**Pedestrian Travel** 



Access to **Danbury Hospital** and Downtown



**Economic Growth** 



Construction Jobs



**Quality of the Environment** 













2018 -

2022

Mid

Late

Mid

2040s

2020s

2020s

Concept Study

✓ Perform Needs and Deficiencies Study

✓ Develop Project Purpose

□ Develop Concepts ← We are here

☐ Determine Range of Reasonable Alternatives

☐ Determine Class of Action -

☐ Make Recommendations

**Detailed Environmental Study (more complex project)** 

☐ Complete Study

□ Evaluate Alternatives□ Evaluate Environmental Impacts

☐ Select Prefered Alternative

☐ Identify Mitigation Measures

Initiate Complex Project Design

Right-of-Way
Permitting

Construction

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Construction

Initiate Complex Project

Design Right-of-Way Permitting

Construction

Abbreviated
Environmental Study
(less complex projects)

☐ Complete Study

**Initiate Project** 

Design Right-of-Way Permitting

Construction













Public Involvement





#### **How to Get Involved**

- What can you do today?
  - Attend a meeting or pop-up event
  - Visit \( \operatorname{\text{www.i84danbury.com for updates} \)
  - Share your comments
  - Sign up for project newsletters
  - Check us out on f Facebook Twitter and Instagram
- Prepare for jobs now
  - Contact the Connecticut Department of Transportation's On-The-Job Training Program Coordinator at 860-594-2178 for information





















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