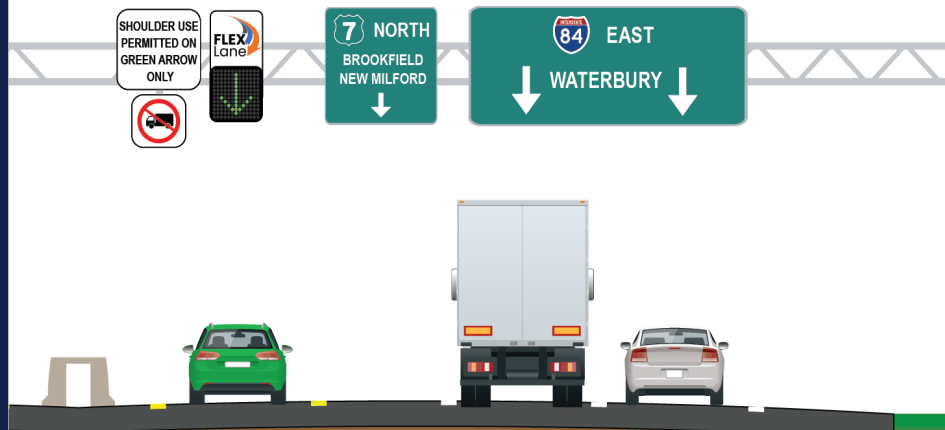




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The Facts: Flex Lane

For a more reliable and efficient experience, CTDOT is proposing to install a Flex Lane within the existing I-84 footprint in Danbury between Exits 3 and 7.



A BETTER I-84

How They Would Work

The shoulder on the median side would be repurposed into a temporary travel lane during the busiest times to keep travelers moving.

- The Flex Lane would only be used when I-84 is congested with slow-moving traffic. Typically, the lane would be operational during weekday morning and afternoon rush hours in the direction where traffic is the heaviest.

- Signs over the lane would indicate when a lane is open or closed.
- While the Flex Lane would be separated from the adjacent travel lane by one solid yellow line, drivers could freely enter or exit the Flex Lane any time it is open.

KNOW THE SIGNS: FLEX LANE BASICS



Flex Lane is closed



Flex Lane is closing soon, change lanes



Flex Lane is open



Scan Here to See the Flex Lane in Action!



Safety Features

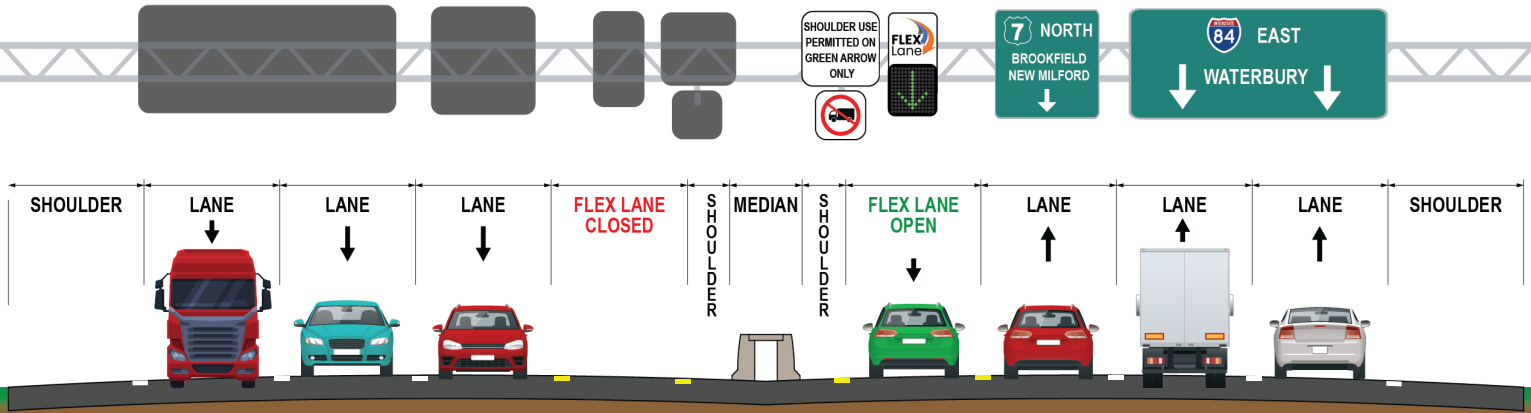
- By improving how vehicles flow through the corridor, the Flex Lane would reduce the potential for bottlenecks and sudden slowdowns that can lead to crashes.
- Trucks will be prohibited in the Flex Lane.



WESTBOUND



EASTBOUND



TYPICAL EVENING RUSH HOUR



A BETTER COMMUTE, SOONER

The Flex Lane would be constructed quickly and efficiently on the existing roadway, which means fewer disruptions and faster improvements to traffic flow. This way, everyone can enjoy a better commute sooner.

- Using the existing I-84 footprint would limit impacts and time for implementation.
- Shorter construction timelines and fewer disruptions reduce risks for both drivers and workers by limiting the need for extended lane closures.



BETTER FOR EVERYONE

The Flex Lane would improve traffic flow on I-84, encouraging drivers who usually detour on local roads to stay on the interstate. Fewer drivers on local roads can potentially improve safety on those roads by reducing congestion / conflicts for all users – including motorists, transit riders, pedestrians, and cyclists.

- By reducing traffic delays, the Flex Lane would put time back in the hands of I-84 travelers and result in fewer emissions, improving air quality.

- By making I-84 more efficient, the Flex Lane would improve access for communities that rely on public transit, ensuring more reliable and timely service for everyone.
- The Flex Lane on I-84 would support businesses by providing a more reliable route while reducing travel time and related costs.



Flex Lanes in Michigan, Ohio and Wisconsin have improved traffic flow, commute times, and roadway safety.



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