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BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROJECT IN PEMBROKE-ALLENSTOWN
WORK ON NEW MAIN STREET BRIDGE OVER THE SUNCOOK
RIVER WILL REQUIRE A SEVEN MONTH TRAFFIC DETOUR

The New Hampshire Department of Transportation (NHDOT) announces construction work is scheduled to get underway on Monday, March 28, 2005 on the replacement of the Main Street Bridge over the Suncook River in the towns of Pembroke and Allenstown. The existing 120-foot long bridge is structurally deficient and on the NHDOT's "Red List". It was built in 1900 and rehabilitated in 1970.

As part of the construction project, the existing Main Street Bridge will be closed to vehicles and pedestrians on March 28. A signed detour traffic and a temporary pedestrian bridge will be in place during construction. The new bridge is scheduled to be open to two-way traffic and pedestrians by October 14, 2005. The final project completion date is June of 2006.

The prime contractor for the \$2.42 million project is E.D. Swett, Inc. of Concord, New Hampshire.