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PORTSMOUTH, NH - KITTERY, ME PUBLIC INFORMATIONAL MEETING
REHABILITATION OPTIONS FOR THE MEMORIAL BRIDGE (US ROUTE 1)

The New Hampshire Department of Transportation announces a combined Public Officials/Informational Meeting will be held Tuesday, January 17, 2006 in Portsmouth to discuss rehabilitation options for the Memorial Bridge that carries US Route 1 over the Piscataqua River between Portsmouth, New Hampshire and Kittery, Maine.

The Memorial Bridge is jointly owned by the States of New Hampshire and Maine. A separate approach bridge owned by the City of Portsmouth, carrying US Route 1 over Scott Avenue, will also be discussed relative to replacement/rehabilitation options.

The purpose of this meeting is to present citizens and public officials with information regarding the proposed project and to solicit input in order to ensure that project decisions meet public transportation needs, community goals, and protect and enhance the environment. This project may have an effect on historic properties.

The January 17 public meeting will take place at Portsmouth High School, 50 Alumni Circle, in Portsmouth, New Hampshire, beginning at 7:00 PM.