Agenda

- Welcome and Introductions
- Why are we here? What is CSS?
- Overview of the Project
- What Happens Next
  - Project Timeline
  - Meeting Schedule
  - Stakeholder Outreach
  - Project Advisory Committee Meetings
Why Are We Here?

- “Context Sensitive Solutions” Approach
- Project Advisory Committee
Context Sensitive Solutions (CSS)

“A collaborative interdisciplinary approach that involves all stakeholders to develop a transportation facility that fits its physical setting and preserves scenic, aesthetic, historic and environmental resources, while maintaining safety and mobility.”
CSS Defined

Safety
Uniformity
Mobility

Historical and Community Values and Environment
CSS Relies On:

- Sound Engineering and Design
- Effective Community Outreach and Stakeholder Involvement
Develop Public Involvement Plan

Internal DOT Review
• Develop “Right Sized” process for project

Public Workshop
• Placemaking Exercise
• Develop Problem Statements
• Opportunities Discussion

Draft Problem Statement

Working Group Meeting
• Consensus on Problem Statement
• Develop Vision Statement

Draft Vision Statement

Distribute Problem & Vision Statement to Workshop Participants

Working Group Meeting
• Concept/Alternative Development
• Design Facilitator
• Develop outline for next Public Workshop

Public Workshop
• Review Prelim. Concepts w/Problem & Vision Statement
• Review Rating Criteria
• Feedback on Alternatives

Working Group Meeting
• Consensus on Preferred Alternative

Formal Public Hearing

CSS Process
Project Overview

• Study Area:
  – Main Street in Walpole to NH12A in Charlestown

• Description:
  – Remove concrete base, add shoulders, upgrade drainage.

• Concerns we have:
  – Proximity to the Railroad
  – Proximity to the River
  – Possible River Slope Stability Issues
What Happens Next?

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Project Timeline

• Preliminary Design (2007-2008)
  – Public Workshop
  – Problem/Vision/Goals
  – Alternatives Development
  – Public Hearing

• Final Design (2008-2009)
  – Detailed Design
  – Purchase Right of Way
  – Secure Permits

• Begin Construction with RR Relocation (2010)
• Begin Roadway Construction (2013)
Stakeholder Outreach

- **Public Involvement Plan**
  - Introduction
  - Project Background
  - Project Team
  - Project Process
  - Working Group (PAC)
  - Communication

- **Project Website**

- **Schedule**
Next Steps: Stakeholder Outreach
Building the Project Advisory Committee

• Project Advisory Committee will include a wide variety of stakeholders
  – Public Officials
  – Resource Agencies
  – Citizen Representatives
  – Business Representatives
  – Other Interests
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Building a successful PAC will require communication:

- Close coordination between UVLSRPC, NHDOT, Town of Charlestown, and Town of Walpole
  - Media
  - Flyers
- “Personal Contact” with Public Officials, Resource Agencies, Citizen and Business Representatives
  - Telephone Calls
  - Letters
  - E-mail
Next Steps: Initial Stakeholder Group (PAC) Meeting

The first PAC meeting will occur when stakeholders have been identified and invited to participate in the process.

Tentative Schedule: September 2007

Tentative Agenda Items:
Overview of Context Sensitive Solutions Approach and Process
Discuss Public Workshop
Discuss PAC Roles and Responsibilities
Next Steps: Stakeholder Group Meeting Schedule

- **Schedule**
  - Meet every 2-3 months
  - Anticipate 6-8 meetings
  - Public Hearing Target Dec. ‘08
- **Meet at a fixed location or alternate between Towns**
Thank You

Questions ???