



# Improving I-293 Exits 6 and 7

## It's Decision Time, and We Need Your Input!

For residents and visitors, commuters and businesses, I-293 (FE Everett Turnpike) provides essential links to and around the Greater Manchester area. In order to help maintain safe and efficient travel along this important highway, the New Hampshire Department of Transportation (NHDOT) is leading an effort to **improve capacity, safety, and access** along a 3.5-mile segment of I-293 from north of Exit 5 (Granite Street) to Exit 7 (Front Street). The project is intended to reduce congestion; support growth in the surrounding communities; and enhance travel for automobiles, trucks, buses, pedestrians, and bicyclists, alike.

### What have we been doing so far?

Since last summer's public informational meeting, the project team has been busy developing, refining, and evaluating various alternatives to improve this segment of I-293. We have had several meetings with groups such as the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC), and natural and cultural resource agencies—as well as with the Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission, Manchester Community College, the Greater Manchester Chamber of Commerce, the Town of Goffstown's Selectmen, and planning and public works staff in Manchester and Goffstown. Everyone's input has been valuable in shaping the direction of this important project—and now more than ever, **we need to hear from you!**

### Why do we need your help?

The next step in improving I-293 involves preparing an Environmental Assessment, a document that explores and evaluates in detail a single Proposed Action to improve the corridor. In order for the NHDOT and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) to settle on a Proposed Action, though, we need your input. We have listened to your ideas, suggestions, and concerns along the corridor, and we have developed some potential solutions. Building consensus around the Proposed Action is critical to this project's success. **Join us at a public meeting on June 7, 2017, to make your voice heard!**



#### Next Public Meeting

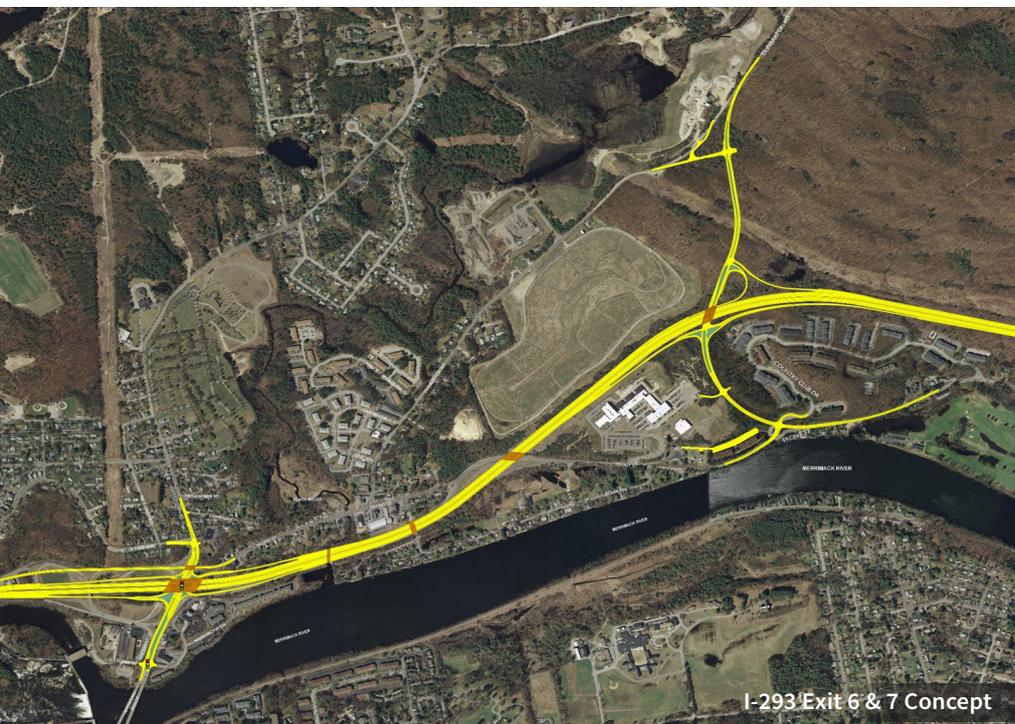
Please join us at the next public meeting scheduled for:

**Wednesday, June 7, 2017**  
**Doors Open at 6:00 pm**  
**Meeting Begins at 6:30 pm**  
**Northwest Elementary School**  
**300 Youville Street**  
**Manchester, NH**

## What options are being considered?

Over the course of the study, the team has explored several possible options to improve I-293, including a range of interchange configurations, interchange relocation, and highway reconstruction and widening. As a result of our analysis and the feedback we have received so far, we have refined the alternatives further. We will discuss these adjustments in detail at the public informational meeting on June 7. Some recent refinements include:

- An **improved alignment** of the roadway connecting the relocated Exit 7 with Front Street
- The **elimination of a connector roadway** linking Dunbarton Road and Goffstown Road
- A modified version of the Exit 6 **Single Point Urban Interchange (SPUI)**

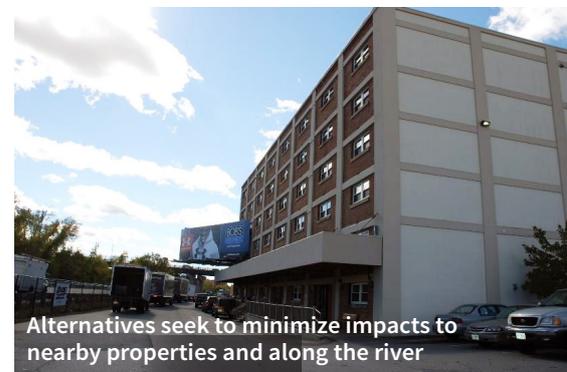


## What can I expect at the meeting?

Held in collaboration with Alderman Keith Hirschmann, the June 7 meeting will begin with a formal, half-hour presentation describing the study's findings to date. Following the presentation, the format of the meeting will change to an informal workshop setting. During the workshop, attendees will be able to:

- Visit **various workstations**
- View the **conceptual alternatives**
- Ask **questions, and share ideas** with members of the project team

Everyone's voice is important, and we are eager and excited to hear your thoughts! **Doors open at 6pm—the public is welcome to view study materials and interact with the team prior to the meeting!**



## How can I stay informed and participate?

Driving forward these improvements to I-293 is truly a team effort. In addition to **attending our June 7th meeting**, you can stay involved by:

- Visiting our website ([www.293planningstudy.com](http://www.293planningstudy.com)) for more information
- Providing your thoughts and suggestions through the "Feedback" link on the menu along the left side of the project website's homepage
- Connecting with the following key project team members:
  - **NHDOT: Keith Cota, PE**  
603.271.1615 or [kcota@dot.state.nh.us](mailto:kcota@dot.state.nh.us)
  - **Consultant from VHB: Marty Kennedy, PE**  
603-391-3900 or [mkenedy@vhb.com](mailto:mkenedy@vhb.com)

### Further Information

Catch up on progress made to date by reviewing past public meeting presentations, notes, documents, and more at:

<http://www.293planningstudy.com>

Check who is on the TAC for your community here:

<http://www.293planningstudy.com/tac.asp>

Make your voice heard by sharing feedback here:

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