THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION – HIGHWAY DIVISION NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING

Project File No. 607902

A Design Public Hearing will be held by MassDOT to discuss the proposed Route 2A (East Main Street) Reclamation & Related Work, from Harvard Road to Main Street project in Ayer, MA.

WHERE: Ayer Town Hall, Great Hall

One Main Street Ayer, MA 01432

WHEN: Tuesday, October 17, 2017 @ 6:30 PM

PURPOSE: The purpose of this hearing is to provide the public with the opportunity to become fully

acquainted with the proposed Route 2A Reclamation project. All views and comments made at

the hearing will be reviewed and considered to the maximum extent possible.

PROPOSAL: The proposed improvements will consist of pavement reclamation and overlaying with hot mix asphalt.

The intersection of East Main Street and Main Street will be realigned for improved vehicular and pedestrian safety. Bicycle accommodations consisting of usable 5- to 7-foot wide shoulders, as well as 5- to 6-foot wide, ADA-accessible sidewalks have been provided on both sides of the street in accordance with applicable design guides. Drainage system upgrades/replacement, new signage, and pavement markings will be provided throughout the corridor. Streetscape improvements will

also be included in the project to enhance the town street feel of the corridor

A secure right-of-way is necessary for this project. Acquisitions in fee and permanent or temporary easements may be required. The town of Ayer is responsible for acquiring all needed rights in private or public lands. MassDOT's policy concerning land acquisitions will be discussed at this hearing.

Written views received by MassDOT subsequent to the date of this notice and up to five (5) days prior to the date of the hearing shall be displayed for public inspection and copying at the time and date listed above. Plans will be on display one-half hour before the hearing begins, with an engineer in attendance to answer questions regarding this project. A project handout will be made available on the MassDOT website listed below.

Written statements and other exhibits in place of, or in addition to, oral statements made at the Public Hearing regarding the proposed undertaking are to be submitted to Patricia A. Leavenworth, P.E., Chief Engineer, MassDOT, 10 Park Plaza, Boston, MA 02116, Attention: Roadway Project Management, Bridge Project Management, Highway Design, Project File No. 607902. Such submissions will also be accepted at the hearing. Mailed statements and exhibits intended for inclusion in the public hearing transcript must be postmarked within ten (10) business days of this Public Hearing. Project inquiries may be emailed to dot.feedback.highway@state.ma.us

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In case of inclement weather, hearing cancellation announcements will be posted on the internet at http://www.massdot.state.ma.us/Highway/

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