

Mass DOT RT 2 @ Exit 24/West Main Street Bridge Reconstruction – As part of the Mass DOT RT 2 bridge reconstruction that passes over West Main Street the RT 2 east bound onramp from West Main Street is planned to be closed starting **Monday, November 29, 2010 at about 4:00 am** for the duration of the project. **(Estimated to last 18 months.)**

Link to Mass DOT for this project:

<http://www.mhd.state.ma.us//default.asp?pgid=content/projectsRoot&sid=wrapper&iid=http://www.mhd.state.ma.us//ProjectInfo/>

The following traffic advisories are in effect:

RT 140 southbound – Traffic heading for RT 2 east will be directed to RT 2 west to exit 23 in Gardner, around the rotary and back on RT 2 east bound.

RT 2 eastbound – Traffic will be narrowed on 2 lanes over half the eastbound bridges during repairs. Exit to West Main Street will remain open during the project.

West Main Street inbound – Traffic headed into Westminster during construction should plan on construction delays or detours during construction work hours and open to traffic during non-work hours.

West Main Street outbound – Traffic headed to RT 140 north or RT 2 West should plan on construction delays during construction work hours and open to traffic during non-work hours.

Recommendation: It is recommended that traffic should seek alternate routes during construction work hours.

West Main/Main/East Main Streets increase in traffic: It is anticipated that there will be an increase in traffic on West Main/Main/East Main Streets, including the intersection of RT2A/140 at RT 2 exit 25 during normal morning commuting hours due to the construction. Residents should plan more time during the morning commute if accessing these streets. Traffic accessing these streets from side streets are expected to see additional delays due to this increase in traffic. If alternate routes are available to residents they should consider them.