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The Office of Rail will hold a Public Informational Meeting on October 29 regarding Project 170-3192, the rehabilitation of two railroad bridges on the Housatonic line in the town of Kent.

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NEWINGTON, CONNECTICUT - The State Department of Transportation will be conducting a public informational meeting for State Project No. 170-3192: Four Bridges on the Housatonic Railroad Line. The meeting will be held October 29, Thursday at 7:00pm in Kent Town Hall; 41 Kent Green Blvd, Kent, Connecticut.

Due to the poor condition of the stone masonry arch over Cobble Brook, and the ballasted deck bridge over the Womenshenuk Brook, the Department of Transportation has determined to replace these two structures; the masonry arch will be replaced by a precast concrete arch within the existing masonry arch, and the ballasted deck bridge by a twin cell precast concrete box culvert.

The project schedule indicates that construction is expected to start Fall of 2016 assuming acceptance of the project, availability of funding and coordination with the Housatonic Railroad.

ConnDOT personnel will be available during the meeting to discuss the project. Anyone interested in requesting information on this project should contact Mr. Haresh Dholakia, Project Manager, at telephone number (860) 594-3173. You may send written inquiries to Mr. Jayantha Mather, Transportation Principal Engineer, Department of Transportation, 2800 Berlin Turnpike, P.O. Box 317546, Newington, Connecticut 06131-7546. Please refer to State Project No. 0170-3192 in all correspondence.

The Public Information Meeting is being held to afford a full opportunity for public participation and to allow open discussion of any views and comments the community may have concerning this proposed project. Any persons interested in this project are welcome to attend this meeting and discuss the project with ConnDOT personnel.