



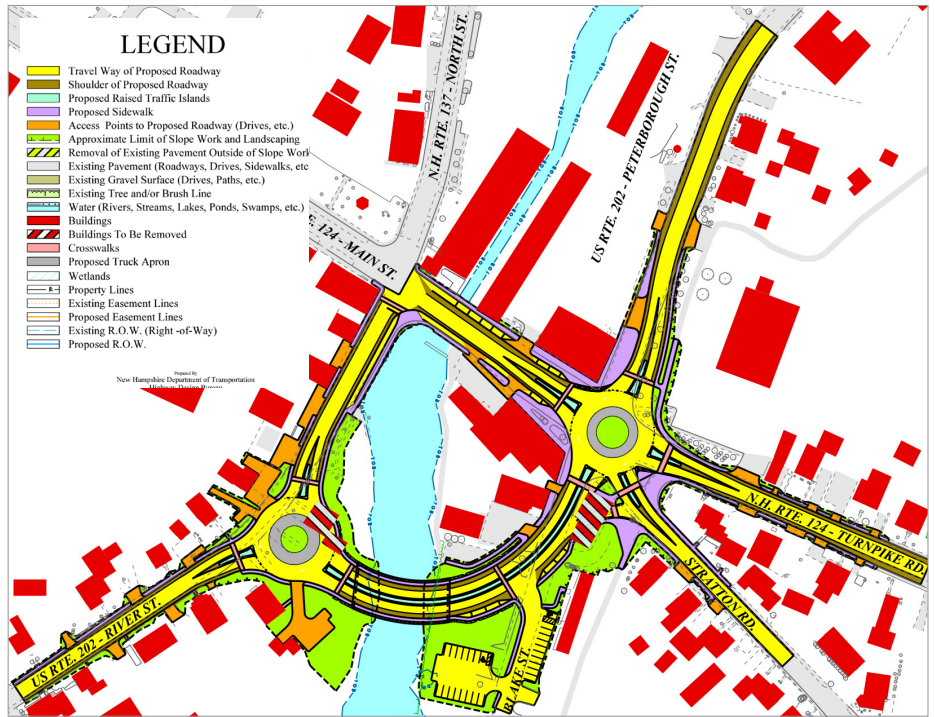
US Route 202 Final Design Is Underway

Making the vision for a safer, more accessible Jaffrey a reality!

» **Project Purpose:** The US Route 202 Improvement Project aims to address the traffic congestion and safety-related concerns associated with the current configuration of the US Route 202 dog-leg intersections of Main Street with Peterborough Street and Main Street with River Street, while enhancing mobility and supporting the quality of life and economic vitality of Jaffrey’s downtown.

» What does the project involve?

As shown in the graphic to the right, the project involves the construction of a roundabout at the intersection of Peterborough Street, Main Street, Blake Street, Stratton Road, and Turnpike Road. Additionally, US 202 will be relocated southwesterly, crossing the Contoocook River to intersect existing US 202 (River Street) at a proposed three-leg roundabout. The improvements will also include accommodations for pedestrians and bicyclists.



» Was it approved?

After an extensive two-year public outreach effort that occurred during the project’s planning phase, the New Hampshire Department of Transportation held a Public Hearing on October 2, 2019, to present and solicit input on the Proposed Action. The hearing was presided over by a three-member panel appointed by the Governor and the Executive Council. Public input was received at the hearing and through letters and emails following the hearing. The Proposed Action was subsequently approved by the Hearing Commission at a July 15, 2020, Finding of Necessity meeting.

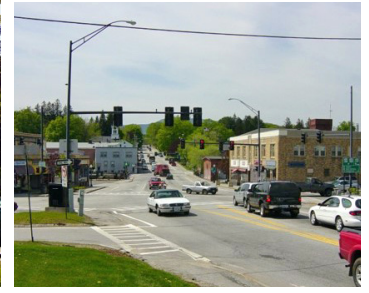
Next Public Meeting

Please join us at the first final design public informational meeting, which is scheduled for:

February 15, 2022
Jaffrey Fire Department
138 Turnpike Road
Jaffrey, NH 03452

Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Presentation begins at 7:00 p.m.

Jaffrey residents are invited to attend and encouraged to participate in-person or via Zoom. More information and Zoom links can be found on the Town of Jaffrey Website: www.townofjaffrey.com



>> What's been happening?

The project team began work on the final design phase of the project in July 2021. Much of the initial effort through the early fall focused on data collection such as updating traffic counts, completing roadway survey, and collecting subsurface information.

During the fall, the team initiated the development of the preliminary roadway plans, briefed the Select Board (November 11, 2021), met with the natural resource agencies, and initiated some property owner meetings. This initial data collection, preliminary plan development, and early coordination will be discussed at the February 15, 2022, public meeting.



Data Collection



Preliminary Plan Development



Stakeholder Coordination

>> What are the next steps?

Through the winter and into the early spring, the project team will be developing preliminary bridge plans. Once the preliminary plans are developed (in the spring), the team will make the plans available to the Town and the public for review and comment. The team will also hold a second public informational meeting to discuss the plans and solicit input.

Meetings with property owners, including the War Memorial Committee, will continue into the spring.

In addition to the planned public informational meetings, and to accommodate those who are unable to attend the public meetings, the project team plans to schedule a few days to walk around Main Street and visit downtown merchants and residents, answering questions and soliciting comments on the progress on the design.

>> How can I stay informed and participate?

Driving forward these improvements to US Route 202 is truly a team effort, and we'd love to hear your thoughts! You can stay involved by:

- Visiting the NHDOT's US Route 202 Project website: (www.nh.gov/dot/projects/jaffrey_16307/index.htm)
- Connecting with the following project team members:
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