

To: Transportation Committee
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Subject LOTCIP Funding Increase – Suffield Farmington Canal Heritage Trail (L139-0003)

A Transportation Committee meeting will take place at 12 noon on Monday, March 20, 2023. At the meeting, we will be discussing and acting on the following:

Suffield Farmington Canal Heritage Trail Project (L139-0003)

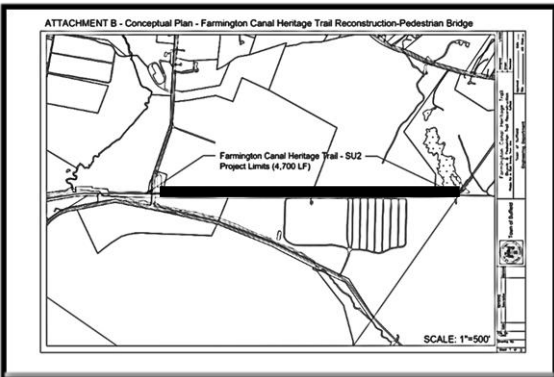
The Town of Suffield is requesting a LOTCIP funding increase of \$357,200 from \$921,200 to \$1,278,400 (38.7%). The project was approved under the 2022 Solicitation for \$921,200 and is currently in the Application Phase. The funding increase is to address comments from CTDOT’s review of the application and to improve the constructability of the project.

Specifically, the increases are the result of itemized contract unit pricing associated with the construction of the pedestrian bridge. The original proposal included wood decking, and the Town now proposes to use composite decking and concrete abutments in the structure design to ensure an extended service life. These changes result in an additional \$56,000.



Additionally, the Town is proposing to remove the existing culvert to install the pedestrian bridge, which will amount to an increase of \$148,000.

Project-wide increases in unit costs and inflation, as well as increases to percentage-based items, result in an additional \$153,200.



To incorporate costs associated with the pedestrian bridge resulting from CTDOT’s application review and ensuring an extended service life, costs for the removal of a culvert, and substantially higher unit prices due to inflation, staff recommends Committee approval of an additional \$357,200 of LOTCIP funding for the Suffield Farmington Canal Heritage Trail Project (L139-0003), increasing the funding approval from \$921,200 to \$1,278,400.