

CITY OF PORTSMOUTH



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Public Meeting for Banfield Road Master Plan and Culvert Replacements to be held Wednesday, May 4th

Subsequent meeting on Water Country Traffic Study to be announced

PORTSMOUTH, NH – The Portsmouth Department of Public Works will be hosting a second public meeting to discuss the upcoming replacement of three culverts and Complete Streets Master Planning process for Banfield Road. The meeting will take place on Wednesday, May 4, beginning at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall Conference Room A.

Based on the community input from the first public meeting in February, the City's consultant, TEC, Inc., has evaluated three alternative design concepts for the Banfield Road corridor that focus on opportunities to improve pedestrian and bicyclist mobility and safety. TEC will present the alternatives that were evaluated and the process that led to the current recommendation. TEC and City staff will then open the meeting up to the public for additional feedback to help build consensus that will be implemented into the final Master Plan for Banfield Road. The Master Plan will be the foundation for the design of replacement culverts that will likely be constructed in 2017.

Relative to concerns of Banfield Road residents and nearby neighborhoods, a traffic study is also currently underway to examine traffic surrounding Water Country. **A separate meeting will be held to discuss traffic generated by Water Country once the study has been completed.** A press release will be issued with the time, date and location for that meeting.

Please contact Ryan Flynn, Construction Project Coordinator, at 766-1413 or rafflynn@cityofportsmouth.com with any questions.