

CITY OF PORTSMOUTH



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Public Information Meeting for Water Country Traffic Study to be held Tuesday, May 17th

PORTSMOUTH, NH – The Department of Public Works will host a public information meeting to review findings and discuss recommendations from a study focused on traffic patterns surrounding Water Country. This meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 17th from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in City Hall's Conference Room A.

Residents who live in the neighborhoods around Water Country have been concerned about the volume of motorists who leave Water Country and use their neighborhood streets to get back to I-95. The City and Water Country each provided half the funding for this study, which evaluates the feasibility of redirecting Water Country's exiting traffic onto Route 1, away from Banfield Road, Ocean Road and Peverly Hill Road. The City's consultant, TEC, as well as City staff, will be present at this meeting to summarize this evaluation and discuss potential opportunities. Any changes in traffic patterns that would result in additional traffic on Route 1 would require approval by the New Hampshire Department of Transportation, as they have jurisdiction over this section of Route 1.

For additional information, please contact Eric Eby, Portsmouth's Parking and Transportation Engineer, at 766-1415 or ebeby@cityofportsmouth.com.