

Construction Update

Middlebury Bridge & Rail Project

Construction Update - week of March 16-20, 2020

DATE: Friday, March 13, 2020

PROJECT TYPE: Construction of Rail Tunnel

LOCATION: VT Route 30 (Main Street) & Merchants Row, in downtown Middlebury in Addison County, VT

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The Vermont Agency of Transportation (VTrans), in collaboration with the Town of Middlebury, is undertaking a project to replace two nearly 100 year old rail bridges in the center of Middlebury with a tunnel. The two bridges are about 300 feet apart, with one located on Main Street/VT 30 and the other on Merchants Row. In early 2020 the contractor will continue the work to stabilize/reinforce the slopes along the rail corridor to support the excavation needed to install the tunnel beginning in late May.

TRAFFIC IMPACT: Most work will be performed within the rail corridor with no impact on travel within downtown Middlebury. Travelers may see increased construction truck traffic in the area of the Marble Works and near Fifield Farm on Route 30 close to the Middlebury/Cornwall town line but it will not interfere with travel on roads and sidewalks.

PROJECTED PROJECT COMPLETION: 2021

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