
Construction Update

Middlebury Bridge & Rail Project



Ashlar blocks salvaged from the rail corridor help define the future edge of Triangle Park, and will provide a place to sit.

DATE: Friday, October 2, 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, replaced two nearly 100 year old rail bridges in the center of Middlebury with a tunnel. The bridges were about 300 feet apart, with one located on Main Street/VT 30 and the other on Merchants Row.

CONSTRUCTION UPDATE:

- Landshapes is placing the historic ashlar blocks around the Triangle Park perimeter, as pictured above.
- Contractors Waters and Landshapes continue pouring sidewalks and installing the bump-out on the midpoint crosswalk at Merchants Row,

pictured below.

- Kubricky continues forming and pouring the concrete cap walls that create a finished top to the u-walls on the north end of the project.
- Kubricky will begin grading Printer's Alley in preparation for pouring the sidewalk connecting Main Street to the Marble Works.
- Hours of construction continue to be 7AM - 5PM. This year, construction will conclude around Thanksgiving for an early winter shutdown.

TRAFFIC IMPACTS:

- Main Street and Merchants Row are open to all travelers. Merchants Row remains a one-way road going uphill toward Court Square and South Pleasant Street.
- Seymour Street will be closed for approximately 4 hours at 6pm on Monday to accommodate installation of a new waterline.

PLANNED PROJECT COMPLETION: 2021



*It's beginning to look like fall in downtown Middlebury!
Landshapes installs the paver bump-outs while Carrara works with Waters
in the background to pour a section of sidewalk through Triangle Park.*

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