

Short detour of downtown Middlebury traffic at 1 PM – Wednesday, May 30th

Hello,

At 1 PM, all traffic – motorists, bicyclists and pedestrians - will not be allowed to travel on Main Street/Route 30, between Seymour Street and Main Street/Merchants Row intersection, and on Merchant Row, between South Pleasant Street and Main Street/Merchant Row intersection, while the contractor for the Middlebury Bridge & Rail Project performs a blasting operation.

There will be 18 people stationed throughout the downtown area to guide people in cars, on bikes and on foot. Customers at the bank and post office will remain inside the building while the blast takes place.

About 2,000 cubic yards of marble ledge needs to be removed from the former Lazarus site, located between the bank and post office on Main Street, next to Printer's Alley. The pit will accommodate a new drainage system that will extend some 38 feet below ground and, once complete, will remove standing water from the rail corridor as well as receive stormwater from downtown streets.

Another blast is planned for Friday, June 1. Short, intermittent stops in traffic on Main Street and Merchant Row will occur throughout the following week.

For information on the project view the project website,
<http://vtrans.vermont.gov/projects/middlebury>.

Best regards,

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