

Public Meeting August 20 at Portsmouth Library

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Second Public Meeting for Maine-NH Connections Study will take place August 20th

AUGUSTA, Maine – The second Public Informational Meeting for the Maine-NH Connections Study will take place on August 20 at the Portsmouth Public Library, 175 Parrott Avenue. The 6 pm meeting will be preceded by an open house from 4-6 pm that will feature a display and summary of the baseline data that has been collected to date for the study.

“The open house will give those who are interested in data on vehicle and bicycle traffic, river navigation and land use the time they need to absorb this information,” said Carol Morris, study spokesperson. “And since all the information stations will have a study team member available, it means folks can informally ask questions and make comments.” Morris added that written comment forms will also be available at the open house and at the meeting.

The agenda of the meeting includes a presentation of the baseline data collected, an update on the status of the bridge inspection and the federal stimulus application and an opportunity for the public to comment on the study’s draft Purpose and Need Statement, which has been under development by the Steering and Stakeholder Committees over the summer.

The draft Purpose and Need Statement will be posted at www.maineNHconnections.org prior to the meeting; Study Data will be posted on the web site during the week following the meeting.

Persons or groups who want to receive updates on a regular basis can contact Carol Morris by calling (207) 329-6502 or by e-mail to cmorris@morriscomm.net.