MAC -- Update on CT fastrak
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What is CTfastrak?

• **Bus Rapid Transit (BRT)**
  – Fast, frequent, reliable service throughout central Connecticut corridor
  – Regional Connections: New York, Springfield, New Haven at Hartford’s Union Station
  – Connections to Bradley International Airport via existing Bradley Flyer Service

• **Integrated multi-modal investment strategy**
  – Designed to accommodate future NHHS rail connections at Newington Junction and Flatbush Avenue stations.
CT fastrak Goals

• Reduce congestion on I-84 west of Hartford

• Improve Air Quality: reduced emissions

• Regional mobility improvements

• Transit-Oriented Development opportunities

• Immediate and long-term employment benefits
What are we building?

- Exclusive guideway
- Branded 60-foot articulated buses
- Rapid-transit-style stations
- Multi-use trail
Major Elements

• Exclusive 2-lane guideway
• 11 Transit Stations
• 17 Bridges
• 78 Retaining Walls (23,500 LF)
• 5-mile long multi-use trail
• Relocation of one mile of Amtrak’s active rail
• 4.5-mile long maintenance road for Amtrak
- Union Station
- Sigourney Street
- Parkville
- Kane Street
- Flatbush Avenue
- Elmwood
- Newington Junction
- Cedar Street
- East Street
- East Main Street
- Downtown
- New Britain

New Britain Downtown Station & New Ramps
Progress at Cedar Street Station

- Union Station
- Sigourney Street
- Parkville
- Kane Street
- Flatbush Avenue
- Elmwood
- Newington Junction
- Cedar Street
- East Street
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North of Cedar Street Station
Merging with the Amtrak ROW
Union Station
Sigourney Street
Parkville
Kane Street
Flatbush Avenue
Elmwood
Newington Junction
Cedar Street
East Street
East Main Street
Downtown
New Britain

Flatbush Avenue Bridge Construction

Newfield Avenue
Flatbush Avenue
New Park Avenue
Wall & Bridge Construction at Flatbush Avenue

- Union Station
- Sigourney Street
- Parkville
- Kane Street
- Flatbush Avenue
- Elmwood
- Newington Junction
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View from Parkville Station to the North Abutment
NB & SB Abutments at Capitol Avenue
Looking Southbound at the Broad Street Bridge
What will the user expect?

- **Service Plan**
  - Frequency
  - Flexibility
  - One-Seat Ride

- **Intelligent Transportation Systems**
  - “Next Bus Arriving” Sign
  - Real-Time Applications

- **Electronic ticketing**
  - Ticket Vending
  - Fare Validation
  - Smartcard/Smartphone
Operations Plan

• Maintenance Plan – Roadway; Amenities
• Safety and Security
• Busway Operations Procedures
Marketing Look-Ahead

• Rolled out an enhanced website
• Engaging the media and business communities
• Participating in local and regional public events
• Meeting with community groups
• University & educational organizations outreach
Get On Board!

Ride with us in February 2015!

THANK YOU

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