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Improvements to Intersection of Diamond Hill Road At Mendon Road

WOONSOCKET, RI: After following the progress of improvements to the road surface of Diamond Hill Road, Mayor Lisa Baldelli-Hunt worked with the RI Department of Transportation on additional necessary upgrades to the intersection of Diamond Hill Rd. and Mendon Rd. The Mayor identified the need to RIDOT and stayed in contact with the agency to keep the project moving. Now, with the assistance of RIDOT, this phase of improvements is about to start.

The project includes installation of turn lanes to Diamond Hill Road and Mendon Road as well as improvements to traffic signal phasing and timing. This work is being done to provide a dedicated lane for left turning vehicles as well as to reduce congestion at the intersection. The RIDOT anticipates that the project will be out to bid this fall for a 2016 construction schedule.

Mayor Baldelli-Hunt commented that, "As a State Representative, I personally pursued the implementation of this intersection upgrade and I have followed this project for a number of years. As Mayor, I wanted to ensure that the work was going to actually get done. Anyone that has been stuck in congestion at this intersection will be thrilled with the improvements," stated the Mayor.

Further press advisories will be issued as we approach construction.

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