

October 16, 2020

RE: Virtual Public Meeting
State College Area Connector
Planning and Environmental Linkage Study

Dear Government Partner:

The Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT), in cooperation with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), invites you to participate in a virtual public meeting for the State College Area Connector Planning and Environmental Linkage (PEL) Study in southern Centre County. The PEL study will identify existing and projected transportation issues within the study area through engineering and environmental investigations as well as public and stakeholder engagement, create a transportation vision, and identify viable solutions to address the transportation needs.

In order to introduce the project to the public and receive their feedback, PennDOT is hosting a public meeting. Due to the ongoing health and safety concerns related to the COVID-19 pandemic, along with our commitment to protect public health during this national emergency, PennDOT District 2-0 is conducting this public meeting **virtually**.

The virtual public meeting will be held via the PennDOT study webpage beginning **Wednesday, October 28 at 5:30 P.M. and continuing through 11:59 P.M. on Wednesday, November 4**. The virtual public meeting will present the study purpose, study needs, environmental and engineering features within the study area, and provide an opportunity to comment on the study materials. To participate in the meeting, go to www.PennDOT.gov/SCAC.

Written comments regarding the State College Area Connector PEL Study may be submitted by mail to PennDOT District 2-0, Attention: Dean D. Ball, P.E., 70 PennDOT Drive, Clearfield, PA, 16830. Comments may also be submitted by email to deball@pa.gov or online on the study webpage. **All comments on the virtual public meeting materials must be received by Wednesday, November 11, 2020.**

PennDOT makes every reasonable effort to accommodate the needs of the public. If other accommodations are needed or you have any general questions or concerns regarding the State College Area Connector PEL Study or the virtual public meeting, please contact Dean D. Ball, P.E., Project Manager, at deball@pa.gov. Additional Information about the PEL Study may be found online at www.PennDOT.gov/SCAC.

The virtual public meeting materials and exhibits will be presented in English. If you need communication accommodations, or an interpreter, or have a disability and need assistance, special arrangements can be made to accommodate most needs. **Please call PennDOT's District 2-0 Public Information Office at (814) 765-0423 by Monday, October 26, 2020, for assistance.** Please be aware that advance notice is requested as some accommodations may require additional time.

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