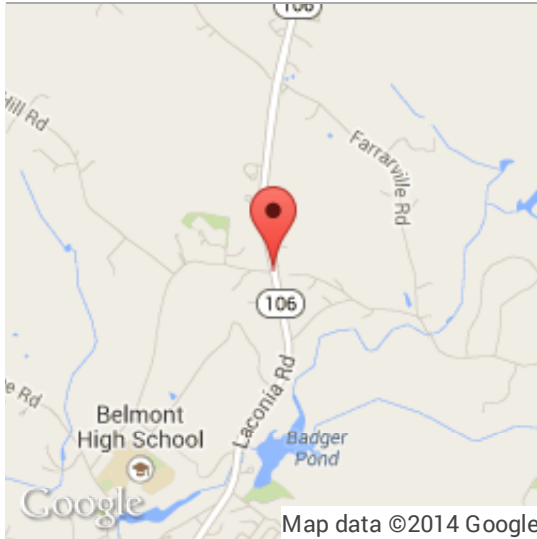


Commission to vote on Route 106 and Seavey Road project

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BELMONT — A state commission is slated to determine the fate of a proposed reconstruction of the New Hampshire Route 106 and Seavey Road intersection when it meets on July 23.

“They will see the project again and then they will vote on whether there is a necessity for the project or not,” Project Manager Victoria Chase said.

In December, the governor and Executive Council appointed the commission to hear from the public and transportation officials on the project.

Construction is expected to widen the highway and allow for a left-turn lane onto Seavey Road for vehicles traveling northbound on Route 106, and a right-turn lane for those traveling south. Road work will begin about 750 feet south of the intersection and end around 850 feet north.

Crews will also perform slope work on both sides of the road, move utility poles, and buy small sections of private property.

The intersection has been a cause for concern for safety officials, with 31 motor vehicle crashes reported at the spot between 2003 and 2012.

During an April 29 public hearing, Project Manager Michael Dugas said the state Department of Transportation was expecting to spend about \$620,000 on the project, all of which will come from state and federal funds.

Since the hearing, Chase said engineers have been continuing to work on designs.

The commission is gathering at NHDOT, 7 Hazen Drive, Concord, in rooms 112/113 at 11 a.m. on July 23. The meeting will serve as a decision-making forum for the commission and they will not be taking testimony. Members of the public are invited to observe the proceedings, however.

If the project passes, construction is expected to begin at the same time as the repaving of Route 106. Bids are tentatively expected to be advertised on April 1, 2016.

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