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# Removal of Exit 21 Off-Ramp on Interstate 84 Eastbound (EB) in Waterbury

State Project No. 151-340

### **The Project:**

- The purpose of this project is to reduce traffic congestion on I-84 EB in the vicinity of Exits 19-22 in Waterbury and to improve traffic flow, air quality, and the local roadway network.
- This project is an Early Action breakout project of the New Mix PEL Study, State Project Number 151-331.
- This project proposes to remove the Exit 21 Off-Ramp from I-84 EB and extend the auxiliary lane to allow more merge and diverge space for drivers entering and exiting I-84 EB in the vicinity of Exit 22.
- The On-Ramp to I-84 EB from Meadow Street will remain open.
- The I-84 EB Exit 22 Off-Ramp will be restriped to two lanes to accommodate the anticipated increase in traffic due to the removal of the Exit 21 Off-Ramp.
- Work will be done to improve the functionality and safety of the local roadway network, including new traffic signals with improved signal timing and phasing.
- This project includes streetscape and urban design improvements that are expected to create a safer and more welcoming environment for pedestrians and bicyclists, and may include:
  - Installation of ADA-compliant crosswalks
  - New sidewalks
  - Bicycle facilities
  - Decorative plantings
  - Wayfinding signage







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### **Benefits:**

- Reduced travel times on I-84 EB in the vicinity of Exits 19 to 22
- Improved safety as a result of extended merging and diverging distances when entering and exiting I-84 in the vicinity of Exit 22
- Reduced congestion and improved air quality
- Enhanced safety for bicyclists and pedestrians on local streets
- Welcoming streets with wayfinding signage and plantings

### Schedule:

- February March: Stakeholder Outreach
- March 2023: Concept Public Information Meeting
- June 2023: Public Information Meeting
- Late 2024: Design Completion
- 2025 to 2026: Construction



Sample intersection improvement

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