

# S.R. 0222 WIDENING PROJECT S.R. 0222, SECTION 28M

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND AVAILABILITY FOR PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENT ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT & DRAFT SECTION 4(f) EVALUATION

The Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT) Engineering District 5-0, in cooperation with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), will conduct a Public Hearing on June 23, 2022 for the S.R. 0222 Widening Project in Richmond and Maiden Creek Townships, Berks County. The hearing will be conducted as part of a 30-day public review and comment period on the Environmental Assessment (EA) and Draft Section 4(f) Evaluation Report. The public review and comment period will begin on June 6, 2022 and end on July 6, 2022.

The EA and Draft Section 4(f) Evaluation consider widening Route 222 from just east of Schaeffer Road (T-757) to the Kutztown Bypass. Included as part of this project are the construction of roundabouts at the intersections with Richmond Road and Pleasant Hill Road and the online replacement of the bridge carrying Route 222 over Moselem Creek. The widening alternative being considered meets the project needs to improve safety, reduce congestion, and correct structure deficiencies, while minimizing environmental impacts and addressing public and agency feedback. The EA has been prepared in accordance with, 23 CFR 771, and the National Environmental Policy Act.

### The EA/Draft Section 4(f) Evaluation is available for review at the following locations:

- Richmond Township Municipal Building – 11 Kehl Drive, Fleetwood, PA
- Maiden Creek Township Municipal Building – 1 Quarry Road, Blandon, PA
- Fleetwood Area Public Library – 110 W. Arch Street, Fleetwood, PA
- Kutztown Community Library – 70 Bieber Alley, Kutztown, PA
- Berks County Planning Commission – Berks County Services Center (14<sup>th</sup> Floor), 633 Court Street, Reading, PA
- PennDOT District 5-0 – 1002 Hamilton Street, Allentown, PA
- FHWA PA Division – 228 Walnut Street (Room 508), Harrisburg, PA

### The EA/Draft Section 4(f) Evaluation is also available for review on the PennDOT District 5-0 website:

<https://www.penndot.pa.gov/RegionalOffices/district-5/PublicMeetings/Berks-County/Pages/US-222-Widening-.aspx>

Written comments may be submitted by email to [c-jgolomb@pa.gov](mailto:c-jgolomb@pa.gov), or by mail to PennDOT District 5-0, Attn: Joshua Golomb, 1002 Hamilton Street, Allentown, PA 18101. All written comments must be received by 5:00 p.m., July 6, 2022.

Persons interested in providing oral testimony in public or private may schedule time at the public hearing or in advance by calling (717) 216-5285. Testimony times will be scheduled in five-minute blocks on a first-come, first-served basis. Oral testimony may also be supplemented with written testimony.

The public hearing location is compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA). Any person requiring additional information or special assistance to participate in the hearing should contact Mr. Joshua Golomb, P.E., Project Manager at (717) 216-5285 or email at [c-jgolomb@pa.gov](mailto:c-jgolomb@pa.gov) by Friday, June 17, 2022.

### PUBLIC HEARING

<b>Date:</b>	June 23, 2022
<b>Location:</b>	Georgian Room of the Old Main Building Kutztown University campus 15200 Kutztown Road Kutztown, PA 19530
<b>Time:</b>	5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

