

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
Department of Transportation

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FROM: Bryan F. Lynch, P.E.

**AT: Bureau of Planning and
Community Assistance**

SUBJECT: Project # 15991
Allenstown SRTS
Granite Street

TO: Shaun Mulholland, Town Administrator

Memorandum

After a review of the current anticipated costs for this project it is clear that the project will be short funding by over \$200,000. SRTS Program funds are now very limited since the old SRTS program is being stopped and under new guidelines will be incorporated into the New T/A Program which, is an 80% reimbursement federal program.

Given the new SRTS program situation it leaves few options for Project 15991. The project will need outside funds to continue as originally scoped or the project scope needs to be cut and/or a combination of the two options. NHDOT has some flexibility in the funding as currently programed under current SRTS program; however it does not have the capacity to cover a shortfall of about \$240,000 dollars.

NHDOT's suggestion is to reduce the scope of the project. Understand that NHDOT cannot fund a sidewalk that is incomplete, therefore the reduced scope will have to be such that the project would start and stop where people especially children can access the sidewalk and walk to the Schools in the center of Town, in keeping with the intent of the original Program and Project award.

NHDOT is aware of the significant percentage of the Town's school children that live in the Holiday Acres area and we support the concept of a Safe Route to School as represented by this project.

Would suggest that the project sidewalk begin at the end of the existing sidewalk behind the Rite-Aid Store on Granite Street and continue along Granite Street to Route 3, proceed as a crosswalk on Route 3 and add a pedestrian signaling system to the existing traffic signal at the intersection of Route 3 and Granite Street. The proposed sidewalk should then proceed along the northwesterly side of Granite Street to the Chester Turnpike. Crosswalks and access ramps should be provided to cross Granite Street to the southeasterly side and then to cross on the Chester turnpike to the easterly side of the Chester Turnpike and end at an accessible ramp on the easterly side. .

(See Attached Google Earth MAP)



The path shown is about 1550 feet in length and includes the sidewalk, crosswalks, ped signals and ADA ramps, signs and markings.

This scope removes the sidewalk from Chester Turnpike to Parkwood Ave.

The town must consider the issues with drainage at the intersection of Chester Turnpike and Granite Street and if the Town will be reconstructing this area on their own and what would be the timing for that work.

I would recommend this scope be priced for the following phases of the proposed project 15991; PE, ROW and CONSTRUCTION