

Lowell TIGER Grant for 6 Canal Bridges

Project Overview

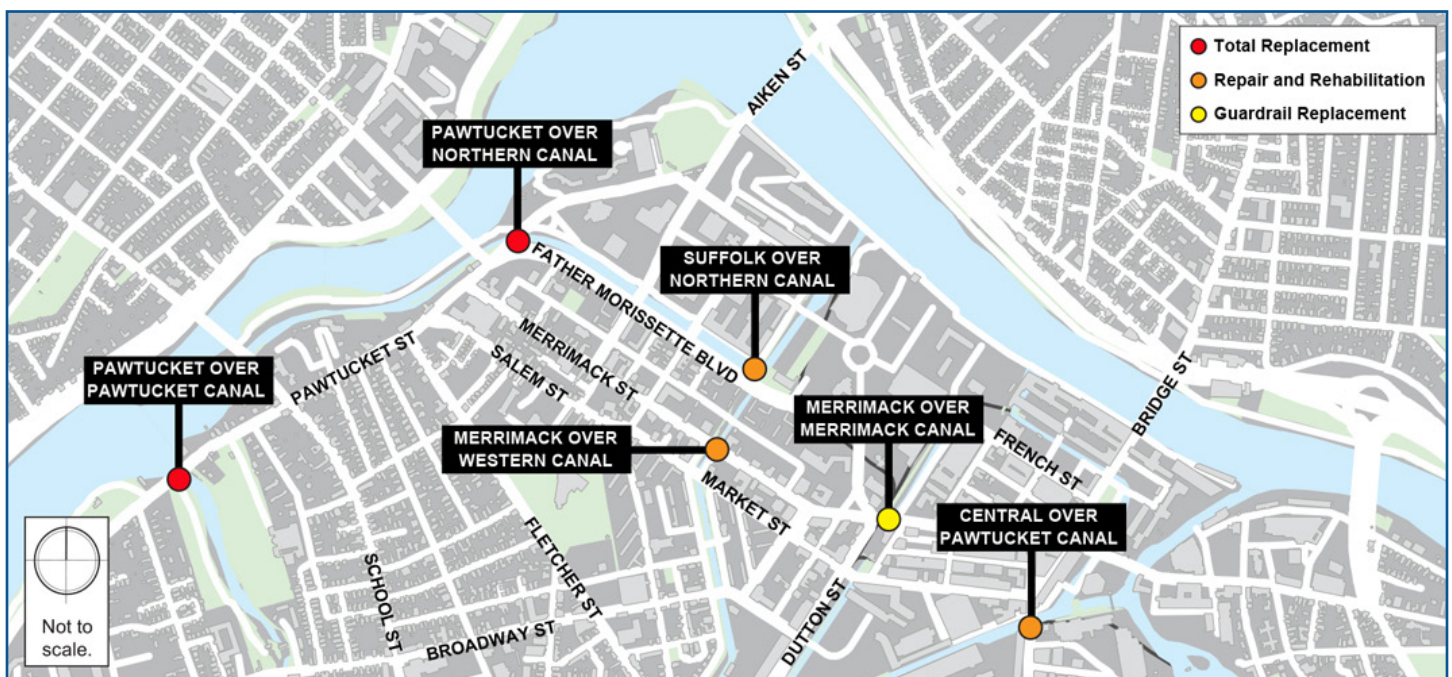


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This project seeks to replace or rehabilitate six critically important canal bridges in the City of Lowell. The City of Lowell has been awarded a \$13,389,750 grant from the United States Department of Transportation's Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER VII) Discretionary Grant Program to fund the work on the six bridges which connect downtown, the adjacent Acre neighborhood, and the campuses of the University of Massachusetts Lowell. The six bridges are as follows:

- Pawtucket Street over Pawtucket Canal
- Pawtucket Street over Northern Canal
- Suffolk Street over Northern Canal
- Merrimack Street over Merrimack Canal
- Central Street over Pawtucket Canal
- Merrimack Street over Western Canal

Each of the six bridges will be subject to varying degrees of work, from total replacement (Pawtucket over Pawtucket Canal and Pawtucket over Northern Canal) to repair and rehabilitation work (Suffolk over Northern, Merrimack over Western, and Central over Pawtucket), to guardrail replacement (Merrimack over Merrimack Canal).



The design work is proceeding on an accelerated time schedule due to federal funding, and must be completed before July 2017. We invite you to get involved with the process early. An initial public information meeting took place on September 19th, 6-8pm, at the Lowell Public Library Meeting Room (401 Merrimack Street). Construction is anticipated to begin in September 2017.

For more information about the project, visit the website at <http://lowellbridges.com/>.

For questions, issues, and concerns, please contact Claire Ricker, AICP, Chief Design Planner, Project Manager, by phone at (978) 674-1423 or by email at CRicker@lowellma.gov.