

# State Aid Program - Project Request

Project Name: SRTS - West Newbury - Dr. John C. Page School

Application Date: 11/17/2022

## Applicant Information

Municipality	WEST NEWBURY
District	District 4

## Municipal Contact

Name	Angus Jennings
Title	Town Manager
Email	townmanager@wnewbury.org
Phone	(978)363-1100
Address	381 Main Street, West Newbury, MA
Zip Code	01985

## Grant Type

Grant Type	SRTS
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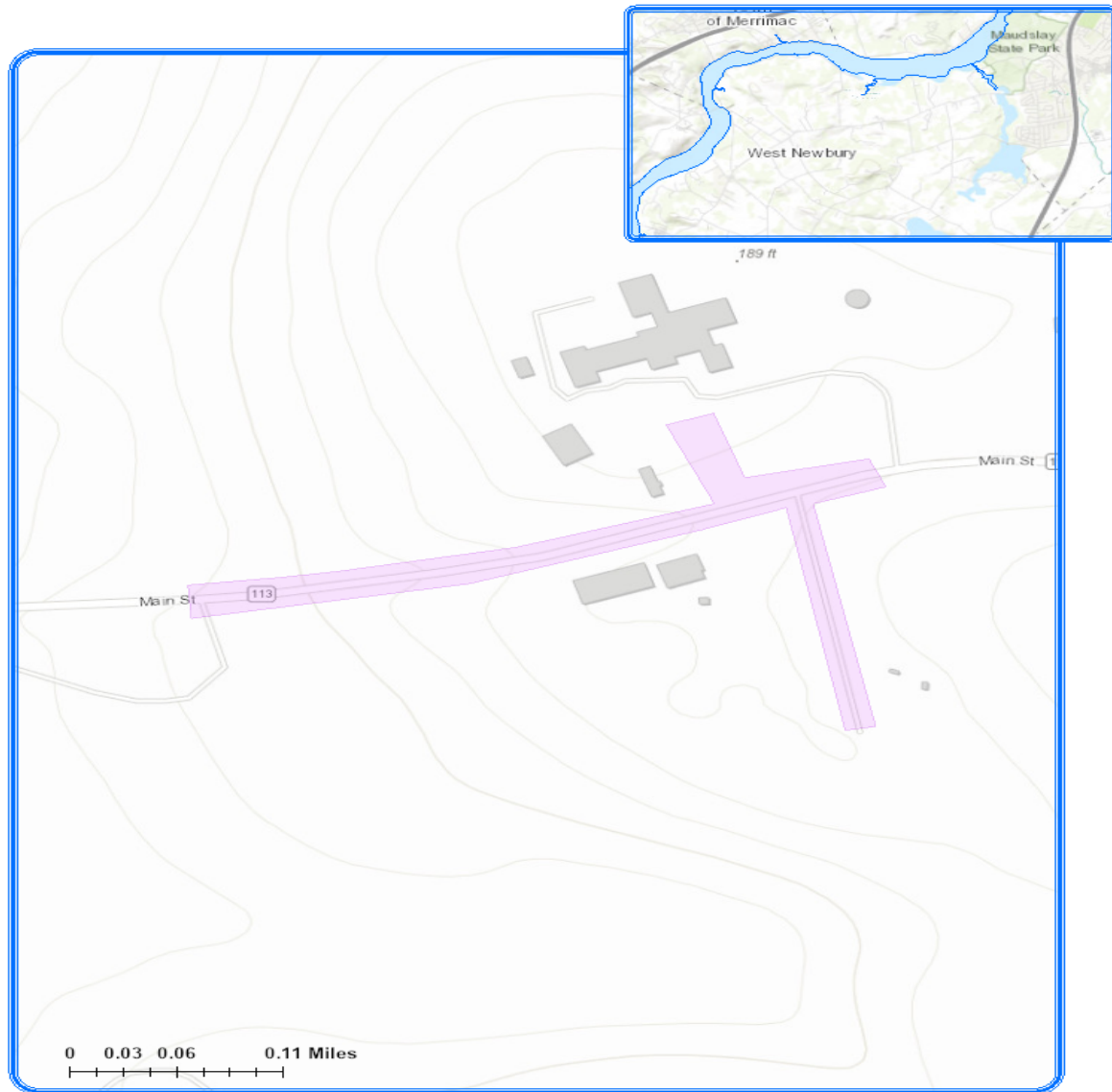
## Nature of Request

Scope of Work	Pedestrian safety improvements and new sidewalk and shared-use path connections to improve school accessibility between the Page School and the Pipestave Recreation Area and other points to the west along Main Street (Route 113), a MassDOT-owned roadway.
Desired Start of Construction Date	04/01/2026

SRTS - West Newbury - Dr. John C. Page School

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## GIS MAP



## IMAGERY MAP



**Legend**  
Road Inventory  
Wetlands  
MAP/IT Projects - HPS - Existing Facility

## **Geo Processing Summary**

No Intersection found with HSIP Clusters

No Intersection found with HSIP Pedestrian Crash Clusters

No Intersection found with HSIP Bicycle Crash Clusters

No Intersection found with Top 200 Intersection Clusters

Intersection found with Schools (a)

Intersection found with Schools (b)

No Intersection found with Condition Index

No Intersection found with Bridges

No Intersection found with Culverts

No Intersection found with RSA

No Intersection found with Opportunity Zones

No Intersection found with Freight Corridors

No Intersection found with Rail Yard

No Intersection found with Seaport

No Intersection found with Environmental Justice

No Intersection found with Environmental Justice (1/4 mile buffer)

Error occurred with Title VI

Error occurred with Title VI (1/4 mile buffer)

No Intersection found with Housing Choice Communities

Intersection found with Schools

No Intersection found with Hospitals

No Intersection found with Transit stations

Intersection found with Open Space, Article 97

No Intersection found with Impaired Waterbodies 1/4 mile buffer (streams)

Intersection found with Impaired Waterbodies 1/4 mile buffer (lakes)

No Intersection found with DEP Wetland Areas (100 foot buffer) Rivers

No Intersection found with DEP Wetland Areas (100 foot buffer) Lakes

No Intersection found with DEP Wetland Areas (100 foot buffer) River Basin

Intersection found with DEP Wetland Areas (100 foot buffer) River Basin and Coastal Drainage



No Intersection found with DEP Wetland Areas (100 foot buffer) Coastal Drainage Area

No Intersection found with DEP Wetland Areas (100 foot buffer) Linear

No Intersection found with DEP Wetland Areas (100 foot buffer) Area

No Intersection found with ACEC

Intersection found with ORW

No Intersection found with BioMAP2 Core Habitat (1/2 mile buffer) - Priority Natural Communities

No Intersection found with BioMAP2 Core Habitat (1/2 mile buffer) - Forest Core

No Intersection found with BioMAP2 Core Habitat (1/2 mile buffer) - Vernal Pool Core

Intersection found with BioMAP2 Core Habitat (1/2 mile buffer) - BioMap2 Wetlands

Intersection found with BioMAP2 Core Habitat (1/2 mile buffer) - Aquatic Core

Intersection found with BioMAP2 Core Habitat (1/2 mile buffer) - Species of Conservation Concern

No Intersection found with NHESP Rare Habitat (100 foot buffer of priority habitat)

No Intersection found with Coldwater Fisheries

No Intersection found with NHESP Rare Habitat (100 foot buffer of estimated habitat)

No Intersection found with Certified Vernal Pools (750 foot buffer)

No Intersection found with Potential Vernal Pools (750 foot buffer)

No Intersection found with Flood Zone Polygons

No Intersection found with Vulnerable Culverts

No Intersection found with Vulnerable Bridges

Intersection found with Article 97 Open Space attribute

No Intersection found with Hazardous Materials

No Intersection found with 2070 Vulnerable Culverts

No Intersection found with 2070 Vulnerable Bridges

No Intersection found with Previous Projects

No Intersection found with Bridge Database

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# Safe Routes To School (SRTS)

MASSDOT - HIGHWAY DIVISION

## MassDOT Safe Routes to School Infrastructure Project Application

### School Applicant Information

Date: 11/15/2022

1. Name of Applicant School:	Dr. John C. Page School
2. School Applicant Contact:	Emily Puteri
3. Title/Role:	Principal
4. Phone:	(978)363-2671
5. Email:	eputeri@prsd.org
6. Address:	694 Main Street
7. Address 2:	
8. Town/City:	West Newbury
9. Zip Code:	01985

### Municipal Co-Applicant Information











10. Municipal Applicant Contact:	DPWdirector@wnewbury.org
11. Title/Role:	DPW Director
12. Phone:	(978)363-1100
13. Email:	dpwdirector@wnewbury.org
14. Address:	381 Main Street
15. Address 2:	
16. Town/City:	West Newbury
17. Zip Code:	01985

### Part I - School Information

#### A. School Characteristics

18. Is the school designated Title I?	No
19. What percent of students are considered Economically Disadvantaged?	11%
20. Total enrollment:	308

21. What grades are served by the school?

	K	
	1	
	2	
	3	
	4	
	5	
	6	
	7	
	8	
	Other	

22. Are there any plans for potential closure, relocation, or expansion of the school? Please explain.

No .

23. Student distances to school. If unknown, please leave all the zeros in the chart.

Distance	<½ mile	½ to 1 mile	1 – 1.5 miles	1.5 – 2 miles	> 2 miles
Number of students	5	24	24	37	221
% of school population	1.6	7.7	7.7	11.9	71.1

24. Are any students bused within a mile of the school?  
If yes, please explain.

Yes

Bussing within one mile is required because the school is located along Main Street (Route 113), which does not currently have sidewalks or formal bicycle accommodations in the area.

25. Do school districts charge families a fee for bus transportation to/from school?

No

If yes, what is the fee? \$

per

Week

26. Provide number of students that take each mode of transportation TO and FROM school (on a typical day). Record comments on these numbers, if any. If unknown, please leave all the zeros in the chart.

Mode	Walk	Bicycle	Family Vehicle	Carpool (multiple families in one vehicle)
Number of students TO School	10	0	70	0
% of school population	0	0	0	0
Number of students FROM School	10	0	70	0
% of school population	0	0	0	0

Mode	School Bus	Public Transit	Childcare/ after school program vehicles	Other
Number of students TO School	205	0	20	0
% of school population	0	0	0	0
Number of students FROM School	205	0	20	0
% of school population	0	0	0	0

Record comments on these numbers, if any.

## Part II - Facility Location and General Information

27.	Project Description:
	Provide a brief description of the project including road names and project limits (i.e., where the project is located), and length of project: Limit your response to 500 words. Do not write "see attached documents." Your project description should be included in this text box.

The proposed project will construct a new sidewalk connection from the school property to Main Street (Rt 113 - State Highway); shift and enhance an existing crosswalk with a proposed RRFB and new curb ramps; provide a shared-use path along the Pipestave Recreation Area driveway; and construct a sidewalk along Rt 113 for approx. 1,200 feet to the west toward Town Center. The project will also be used by the general public, including active equestrian use crossing Rt 113 to an extensive network of trails. This project will enhance safety and connectivity for school-related activities, remote walking days, and after-school recreational access.

28. Is the proposed project on an existing walking and/or bicycling route(s)? Visit the Potential for Everyday Biking site and Potential for Walkable Tripsite to gather and provide additional information in this application.	No
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29. How were the proposed project improvements identified? (Walk audit, Road Safety Audit, or other similar assessment at or near the school?)

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Walk audit	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Road Safety Audit	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other similar assessment	

30. Insert photographs (limit 10) of the existing project area.

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### Part III - Identification of Problem, Need or Opportunity

31. Project objectives: Please check all project objective(s) that apply.

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Increase Number of pedestrians to/from school
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Increase number of students that bicycle to/from school



<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Improve safety for students that currently walk to school
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Improve safety for students that currently bicycle to school
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Slow vehicular traffic around school
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Reduce conflicts between pedestrians and/or bicycles and traffic
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Improve the safety of roadway crossings
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Improve pedestrian/bicycle mobility and circulation
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Improve accessibility for pedestrians with disabilities
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Create new bicycle or pedestrian routes to school

32. Indicate existing issues or deficiencies in the project study area impacting walking and biking safety and mobility. Check all that apply and provide supporting narrative. Visit MassDOT's Impact Portal to gather and provide additional information in this application.

- ☒ A history of crashes, particularly involving pedestrians and/or bicyclists.

- ☒ Speeding issues in the project area.

See attached Traffic Safety Audit.

- ☒ Lack of safe crossing(s) (unmarked midblock crossing, long crossing distances or poor yielding compliance at existing crossings), poor/no lighting.

See attached Traffic Safety Audit

- ☒ Lack of sidewalks or other pedestrian facilities.

See attached Traffic Safety Audit

- ☒ Lack of bicycle infrastructure and facilities.

There are no formal bicycle accommodations along Route 113 (State Highway)

- ☒ Frequent or potential areas where pedestrians and bicycles experience conflicts with motor vehicles.

See attached Traffic Safety Audit



Issues with site distance for motorists and pedestrian/bicycle visibility.

See attached Traffic Safety Audit



Need upgraded facilities to make routes accessible and ADA compliant.

There are no compliant ramp facilities in this area along Main Street (Route 113).



Other

33. Does the project have community support? If so, explain. (You will have the opportunity to upload supporting documents below in Question 40.)

Yes

The project needs and recommendations were publicly reviewed with the Select Board at multiple meetings in 2022. The Town created a committee to participate in the Traffic Safety Audit.

34. Do initiatives or committees exist that support SRTS in the community? If so, explain.

Yes

All elementary schools in our school district work with SRTS. The school provides education regarding SRTS to students and parents. Please see the attached support letters from various municipal departments and committees.

35. Is the project(s) identified in an adopted plan or other formal document? If so, explain.

Yes

See the attached Traffic Safety Audit, which includes a preferred alternative that was endorsed by the West Newbury Select Board.

36. Is the proposed project part of a larger project planned at or near the school? If yes, what other improvements are planned?

No

37. Have current design plans been developed for the proposed project? If so, please indicate the design phase (%) and attach to this application.

Yes

Conceptual plan only, prepared by TEC, Inc. for the Town

38. A cost estimate is required for the proposed project. Please provide the overall budget and identify the major budget components of this specific project. Please attach the estimated budget (in PDF) below in Question 40.

Yes

See attached SARPET-based construction cost estimate

39. Are any other infrastructure improvements planned at or near the school by MassDOT or the local municipality or school district or another entity? If so, explain.

No

40. Insert documents (limit 10) for the existing project area.

*Please attach any supplementary files that would help in the review of this project, such as design concepts, alternatives, traffic counts, accident reports, or studies.*

[W Newbury\\_riverbend\\_trailguide\\_2014.pdf](#)

[W Newbury\\_millpond\\_trailmap\\_2013.pdf](#)

[W Newbury SRTS\\_Photos-narratives.pdf](#)

[T1191\\_Traffic Safety Audit Report FINAL 6-15-2022.pdf](#)

[Page Elementary SRTS Concept Plan 11-17-22.pdf](#)

[W Newbury\\_Page School\\_SRTS Construction Estimate\\_11-17-2022.pdf](#)

[Page School SRTS Letters of Support 11-17-22.pdf](#)

[MassDOT letter re West Newbury Rte 113 Crosswalks 3-1-21.pdf](#)





SECTION A - A (PHOTO)



Legend:

- = Asphalt Sidewalk
- = ADA Compliant Pedestrian Curb Ramp
- = Grass
- = Proposed Pavement Apron

- = Existing Pavement
- = Crushed Stone
- = Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon
- = Proposed Retaining Wall

SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL IMPROVEMENTS



WEST NEWBURY – DR. JOHN C. PAGE SCHOOL  
SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL PROJECT  
APPLICATION PHOTOS



**Figure 1** – Secondary school / residence driveway, intersecting with Main Street (Route 113), facing westbound



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**Figure 2** - Main Street (Route 113), facing eastbound, from secondary school / residence driveway

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**Figure 3** – Pipestave Recreation Area crosswalk to secondary school driveway.



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**Figure 4** – Guardrail in front of Pipestave Recreation Area access road, facing eastbound



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**Figure 5** – Main Street (Route 113) facing eastbound, approaching school driveways

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**Figure 6** – Pipestave Recreation Area access road, facing southbound



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**Figure 7** – Main Street (Route 113), beginning of school zone, facing westbound.



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**Figure 8** – Intersection of Main Street (Route 113), Pipestave Recreational Area access road, and the school driveways



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**Figure 9** – Main Street (Route 113), facing eastbound between Mill Pond parking area and the Pipestave Recreational Area access road

# DRAFT - TOOL STILL IN PRODUCTION

## State Aid Reimbursable Program Estimating Tool (SARPET)

### PROJECT COST SUMMARY

Project Name:	Safe Routes to School Improvements
Project Location:	West Newbury

PRIMARY INPUT CATEGORY		CALC TABS	ESTIMATED PRICE
<u>Roadway &amp; Multimodal</u>	Length: 2,100 ft	Civil/Drainage/Edging Costs	\$634,940.00
	# Segments: 2		
<u>Pavement</u>		Pavement Repair Costs	\$0.00
<u>Traffic Control</u>	# midblocks: 0	Traffic/Signal Costs	\$7,190.00
	# Intersections: 0		
<u>Lighting &amp; Amenities</u>		Ped/Roadway Lighting/Amenities Costs	\$0.00
<u>Other</u>		Miscellaneous User-Inputted Costs	\$94,284.00
		<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$736,414.00</b>
<b>CONSTRUCTION COST</b>			
<u>Temporary Traffic Control</u>		15% TTCP COST	\$110,462.10
		20% CONTINGENCY	\$147,282.80
		<b>CONSTRUCTION COST (WITHOUT ESCALATION)</b>	<b>\$994,158.90</b>
<u>Cost Escalation</u>	Construction Year: 2026		
	Assumed Inflation: 4.5%	<b>CONSTRUCTION TOTAL</b>	<b><u>\$1,185,550.00</u></b>
Assumed 4.5% increase in costs per year; assumes current year if none entered on Basic Project Data			
**Use this estimated cost on PIF forms - escalation is already included on the MassDOT Website			
<b>NON-CONSTRUCTION COSTS (NOT ESCALATED)</b>			
<u>Survey</u>	Full Topographical Survey Assumed	SURVEY COST	\$0.00
<u>Design</u>	Estimated design fee based on construction cost	DESIGN COST	\$0.00
		<b>PROJECT TOTAL</b>	<b><u>\$1,185,550.00</u></b>

Pricing based on MassDOT bid prices exported on 08/08/2022





State Aid Reimbursable Programs  
Preliminary Estimate Form

Municipality: West Newburry

Contract #:

Project Name: Dr. John C. Page School Safe Routes to School

Program: Safe Routes to School

Project Location: Main Street (Route 113)

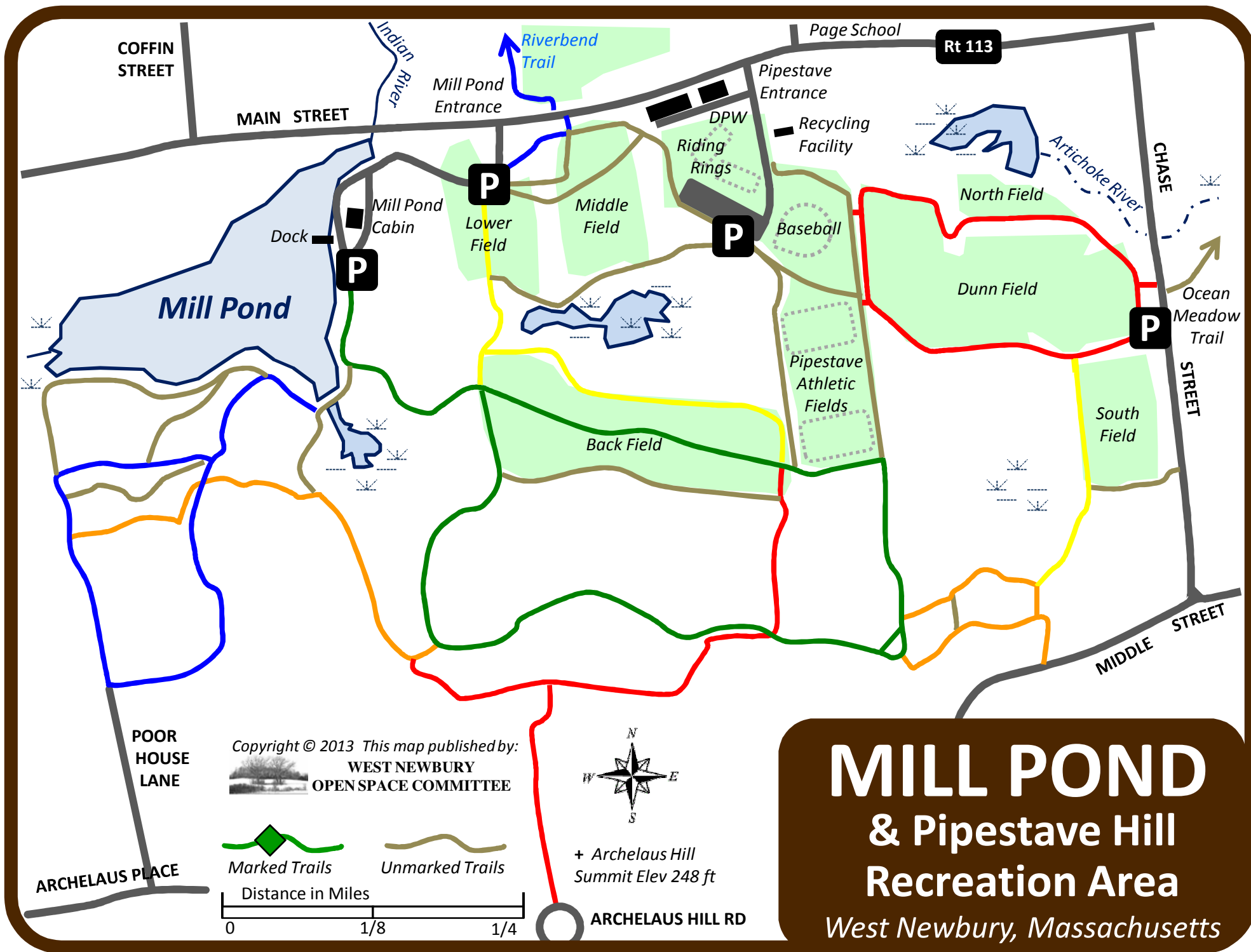
Item #	Description of Item	Unit	Quantity	Unit Price	Total Cost
120.1	UNCLASSIFIED EXCAVATION	CY	510	\$ 48.38	\$ 24,670.00
151	GRAVEL BORROW	CY	420	\$ 49.74	\$ 20,890.00
156	CRUSHED STONE	TON	1200	\$ 53.57	\$ 64,284.00
170	FINE GRADING AND COMPACTING - SUBGRADE AREA	SY	1470	\$ 10.62	\$ 15,610.00
220	DRAINAGE STRUCTURE ADJUSTED	EA	10	\$ 454.28	\$ 4,540.00
222.3	FRAME AND GRATE (OR COVER) MUNICIPAL STANDARD	EA	3	\$ 1,019.53	\$ 3,060.00
227.3	REMOVAL OF DRAINAGE STRUCTURE SEDIMENT	CY	40	\$ 281.17	\$ 11,250.00
227.31	REMOVAL OF DRAINAGE PIPE SEDIMENT	FT	470	\$ 9.91	\$ 4,660.00
431	HIGH EARLY STRENGTH CEMENT CONCRETE BASE COURSE	SY	350	\$ 66.36	\$ 23,230.00
440	CALCIUM CHLORIDE FOR ROADWAY DUST CONTROL	LB	2205	\$ 0.43	\$ 950.00
453	HMA JOINT ADHESIVE	FT	6436	\$ 1.13	\$ 7,270.00
472	TEMPORARY ASPHALT PATCHING	TON	4	\$ 238.95	\$ 960.00
506	GRANITE CURB TYPE VB - STRAIGHT	FT	788	\$ 49.13	\$ 38,710.00
506.1	GRANITE CURB TYPE VB - CURVED	FT	263	\$ 59.40	\$ 15,620.00
509	GRANITE TRANSITION CURB FOR PEDESTRIAN CURB RAMPS - STRAIGHT	FT	78	\$ 61.81	\$ 4,820.00
509.1	GRANITE TRANSITION CURB FOR PEDESTRIAN CURB RAMPS - CURVED	FT	26	\$ 67.99	\$ 1,770.00
580	CURB REMOVED AND RESET	FT	1000	\$ 37.15	\$ 37,150.00
620.12	GUARDRAIL, TL-2 (SINGLE FACED)	FT	361	\$ 40.96	\$ 14,790.00
620.32	GUARDRAIL - CURVED, TL-2 (SINGLE FACED)	FT	41	\$ 50.45	\$ 2,070.00
685	STONE MASONRY WALL IN CEMENT MORTAR	CY	220	\$ 984.21	\$ 216,530.00
697.1	SILT SACK	EA	5	\$ 197.61	\$ 990.00
701	CEMENT CONCRETE SIDEWALK	SY	862	\$ 72.90	\$ 62,840.00
701.2	CEMENT CONCRETE PEDESTRIAN CURB RAMP	SY	120	\$ 106.95	\$ 12,830.00
702	HOT MIX ASPHALT SIDEWALK OR DRIVEWAY	TON	90	\$ 221.42	\$ 19,930.00
751	LOAM FOR ROADSIDES	CY	130	\$ 63.65	\$ 8,270.00
765	SEEDING	SY	1167	\$ 2.47	\$ 2,880.00
769	PAVEMENT MILLING MULCH UNDER GUARD RAIL	FT	400	\$ 9.12	\$ 3,650.00
824.221	RECTANGULAR RAPID FLASHING BEACON (SOLAR)	LS	1	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 30,000.00
832	WARNING-REGULATORY AND ROUTE MARKER - ALUMINUM PANEL (TYPE A)	SF	53	\$ 15.19	\$ 810.00
847.1	SIGN SUP (N/GUIDE)+RTE MKR W/1 BRKWAY POST ASSEMBLY - STEEL	EA	14	\$ 177.47	\$ 2,480.00
866.112	12 INCH REFLECTORIZED WHITE LINE (THERMOPLASTIC)	FT	800	\$ 4.88	\$ 3,900.00
SP01	UTILITY POLE RELOCATION	EA	5	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 75,000.00
Total					\$ 736,414.00

[When developing cost estimates, municipalities may use the State Aid Reimbursable Programs Estimating Tool \(SARPET\), which can be found online at \[www.mass.gov/state-aid-reimbursable-programs-estimating-tool\]\(http://www.mass.gov/state-aid-reimbursable-programs-estimating-tool\).](#)

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Supervisor/Foreman

Date



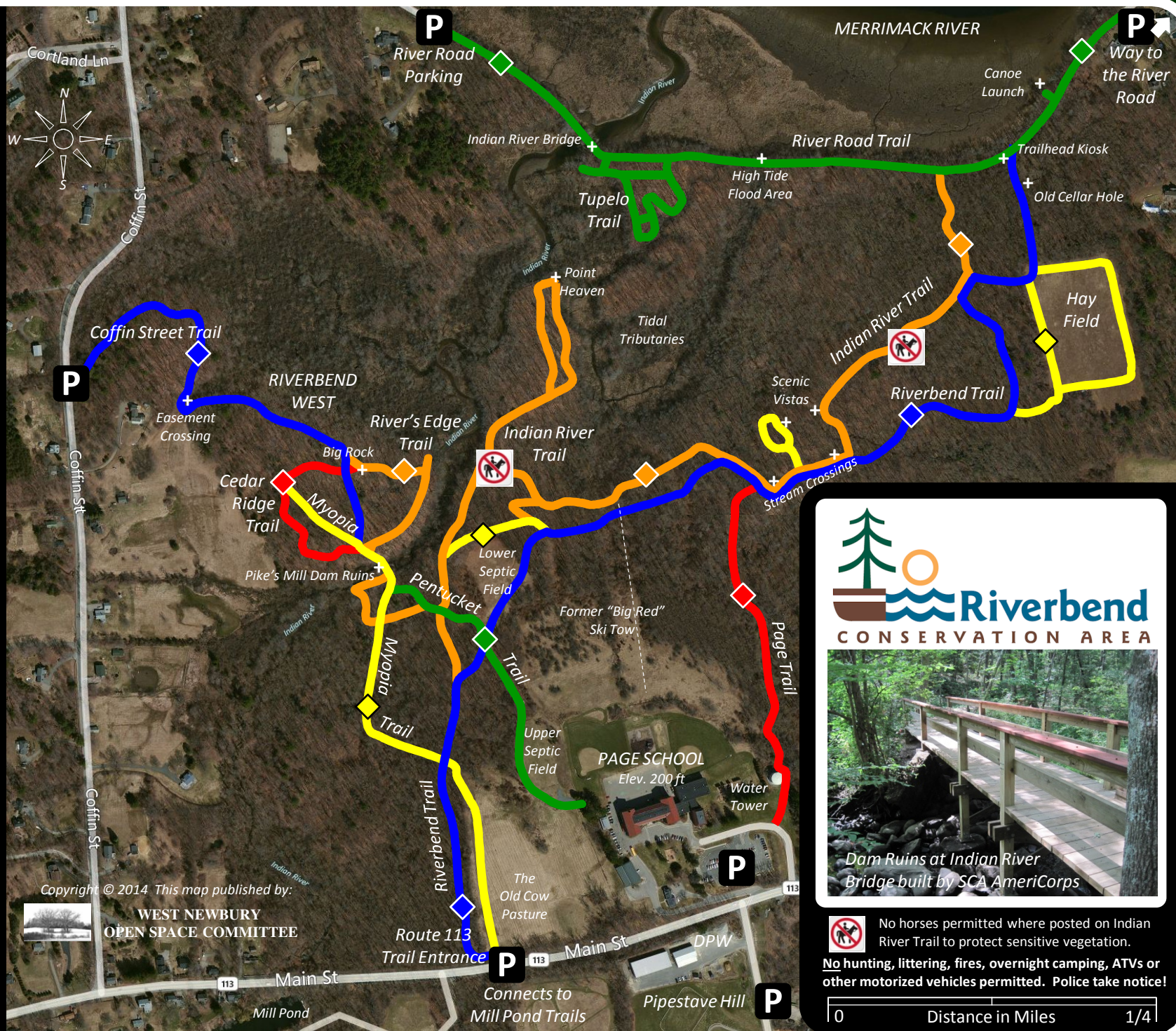
# MILL POND & Pipestave Hill Recreation Area

West Newbury, Massachusetts



# TRAIL GUIDE

# RIVERBEND



No horses permitted where posted on Indian River Trail to protect sensitive vegetation.

**No hunting, littering, fires, overnight camping, ATVs or other motorized vehicles permitted. Police take notice!**

0 Distance in Miles 1/4





## Town of West Newbury Select Board

381 Main Street, West Newbury, MA 01985 | 978-363-1100, Ext. 115  
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November 17, 2022

Cassandra Gascon  
Community Grants Program Administrator  
Massachusetts Department of Transportation Highway Division  
10 Park Plaza, Suite 7410  
Boston, MA 02116

Re: Town of West Newbury – Dr. John C. Page Elementary School  
2022 Safe Routes to School Infrastructure Program Grant Application

Dear Ms. Gascon:

We would like to express the Town of West Newbury's support for the planned pedestrian safety improvements near the Dr. John C. Page Elementary School. Our municipal staff participated in the Traffic Safety Audit that the Town conducted with TEC, Inc. earlier this year. The Select Board was actively engaged in the public outreach process for the planned improvements and subsequently endorsed the improvement plan with the extended sidewalks dated June 15, 2022.

As a Town, we have been seeking safer access to the Pipestave Recreation Area for our students, visitors, and equestrian trail users for some time. We believe the planned sidewalks, crosswalk, and warning devices are critical needs along the driveways and Main Street (Route 113) and will be significant enhancements to this area of State Highway for a myriad of users. The proposed project serves a critically important role our student-age population while also improving safety for the Pipestave Recreation Area users that seek to use the trail network north of Main Street. We hope that this project, if constructed, will create the momentum for subsequent multi-modal facilities between this area and the Town Center in the near future.

The Town of West Newbury is prepared to perform the requisite responsibilities for our proposed Safe Routes to School project, including actively engaging our municipal departments, acting as a liaison to local review boards, facilitating the public outreach with MassDOT staff, and performing the right-of-way acquisition needs associated with areas abutting Town roadways and on municipally-controlled properties.

Please do not hesitate to contact us directly if you have any questions concerning our grant application for the subject project at (978) 363-1100 x111. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Town of West Newbury

David Archibald  
Chairperson

Rick Parker  
Vice Chairperson

Wendy Reed  
Clerk



COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
**THE GENERAL COURT**  
STATE HOUSE, BOSTON 02133-1053

November 10, 2022

Angus Jennings, Town Manager  
Town of West Newbury  
Town Office Building  
381 Main Street  
West Newbury, MA 01985

Re: Town of West Newbury – Dr. John C. Page Elementary School  
2022 Safe Routes to School Infrastructure Program Grant Application

Dear Mr. Jennings:

We write in strong support for the planned pedestrian safety improvements near the Dr. John C. Page Elementary School. The Town's pursuit of the Traffic Safety Audit earlier this year was very helpful in identifying sensible ways to improve safety and pedestrian access across and along Main Street (Route 113).

We have been seeking safer access to the Pipestave Recreation Area for our students, visitors, and equestrian trail users for some time. We believe the planned sidewalks, crosswalk, and warning devices are critical needs along the driveways and Main Street (Route 113) and will be significant enhancements to this area of State Highway for a myriad of users. The proposed project serves a critically important role for our student-age population while also improving safety for the Pipestave Recreation Area users that seek to use the trail network north of Main Street. We believe it also commences the introduction of sidewalk facilities in State Highway in this area that will be an important catalyst as we seek to connect these improvements with existing pedestrian facilities near the Town Center in the future.

Please do not hesitate to contact us directly if you have any questions. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A blue ink signature of Bruce Tarr, consisting of stylized initials.

Bruce Tarr  
State Senator

A blue ink signature of Lenny Mirra, written in a cursive script.

Lenny Mirra  
State Representative



GROVELAND  
MERRIMAC  
WEST NEWBURY

## PENTUCKET REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT  
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15 November 2022

Mr. Angus Jennings, Town Manager  
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381 Main Street  
West Newbury, MA 01985

Re: Town of West Newbury – Dr. John C. Page Elementary School  
2022 Safe Routes to School Infrastructure Program Grant Application

Dear Mr. Jennings:

The Pentucket Regional School District (PRSD) is expressing its support for the planned pedestrian safety improvements near the Dr. John C. Page Elementary School. Student, staff, and community safety is a priority in our schools, and we appreciate that the Town of West Newbury has also made it a priority. As you know, our staff participated in the Traffic Safety Audit that the Town conducted earlier this year. Since I have been Superintendent, we have been seeking safer access to the Pipestave Recreation Area for our students and visitors. We believe the planned sidewalks, crosswalk, and warning devices are critical needs along our school driveway and Main Street (Route 113).

The Pipestave Recreation Area is used for school-related activities both during the day and after the school day. The proposed sidewalk along Main Street will create a walking loop for the Town and school-related activities. We hope that the sidewalk improvements can continue to extend to the west along Main Street in the future in hopes that we can draw student walkers from the Town Center area once constructed.

Please do not hesitate to contact me directly if you have any questions concerning our support for this project at (978) 363-2280. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

  
Justin Bartholomew  
Superintendent of Schools



## PENTUCKET REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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*Emily Puteri- Principal, Tara Ellis- Assistant Principal*

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November 14, 2022

Re: Town of West Newbury – Dr. John C. Page Elementary School  
2022 Safe Routes to School Infrastructure Program Grant Application

Dear Mr. Jennings,

I would like to express my full support for the pedestrian safety improvements near our school. Our staff participated in the Traffic Safety Audit that the Town conducted earlier this year. As you are aware, we have been seeking safer access to the Pipestave Recreation Area for our students and visitors for some time. We believe the planned sidewalks, crosswalk, and warning devices are critical needs along our school driveway and Main Street (Route 113).

The Pipestave Recreation Area is used for school-related activities and students often need to access the fields for after-school sports and recreational activities. The proposed sidewalk along Main Street will create a walking loop for the Town and School-related activities. We hope that the sidewalk improvements can continue to extend to the west along Main Street in the future in hopes that we can draw student walkers from the Town Center area once Constructed.

Please do not hesitate to contact me directly if you have any questions concerning the Page School's support for the project.

Sincerely,

Emily Puteri  
Principal  
John C. Page Elementary School  
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### Mission Statement

The Pentucket Regional School District seeks to inspire its students with a love of learning and to enable them to develop their academic potential and individual talents in an atmosphere that cultivates independent thinking. We will prepare our students to develop respect for others and to be responsible citizens of a global society.

Angus Jennings, Town Manager  
Town of West Newbury  
Town Office Building  
381 Main Street  
West Newbury, MA 01985

November 14, 2022

Re: Town of West Newbury – Dr. John C. Page Elementary School  
2022 Safe Routes to School Infrastructure Program Grant Application

Dear Mr. Jennings:

On behalf of the West Newbury Parent Teacher Organization (WNPTO), I would like to express our committee's full support for the planned pedestrian safety improvements near the Dr. John C. Page Elementary School. The Town's pursuit of the Traffic Safety Audit earlier this year was very helpful in identifying sensible ways to improve safety and pedestrian access across and along Main Street (Route 113).

We have been seeking safer access to the Pipestave Recreation Area for our students and families for some time. We believe the planned sidewalks, crosswalk, and warning devices are critical needs along the driveways and Main Street (Route 113) and will be significant enhancements to this area of State Highway for a myriad of users. The proposed project serves a critically important role for our student-age population while also improving safety for the Pipestave Sports and Outdoor Recreation Area users that seek to use the fields and trail network north of Main Street. We believe it also commences the introduction of sidewalk facilities in State Highway in this area that will be an important catalyst as we seek to connect these improvements with existing pedestrian facilities near the Town Center in the future.

Please do not hesitate to contact me directly if you have any questions concerning the WNPTO's support for the subject project at (617) 838-4612. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

The West Newbury Parent Teacher Organization Executive Board

Name: Belle Hornblower, Jaime Paragios, Allison Geary  
Title: Executive Board





# TOWN OF WEST NEWBURY Public Safety Departments

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**Michael D. Dwyer**

401 Main Street  
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November 11, 2022

Angus Jennings, Town Manager  
Town of West Newbury  
Town Office Building  
381 Main Street  
West Newbury, MA 01985

Re: Town of West Newbury – Dr. John C. Page Elementary School  
2022 Safe Routes to School Infrastructure Program Grant Application

Angus,

Please accept this letter of support for the 2022 Safe Routes to School grant application. Pedestrian safety in our community is a priority and this program would support critical improvements in the vicinity of the Dr. John C. Page Elementary School. Over the past 20 years, vehicular traffic on route 113 including access to community properties in the area has increased. Additionally with an increase in new residential construction in the area, more families are walking to school. The addition of sidewalks and traffic controls/warnings will be a considerable improvement to public safety in our community.

Sincerely,

Michael Dwyer

Police Chief  
Fire Chief



**TOWN OF WEST NEWBURY  
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Angus Jennings, Town Manager  
Town of West Newbury  
Town Office Building  
381 Main Street  
West Newbury, MA 01985

November 16, 2022

Re: Town of West Newbury – Dr. John C. Page Elementary School  
2022 Safe Routes to School Infrastructure Program Grant Application

Dear Mr. Jennings:

At its meeting on November 15, the Planning Board reaffirmed its support for the planned pedestrian safety improvements near the Page Elementary School. The preferred design, resulting from data as reported in the recent Traffic Safety Audit, promises to improve safety and access at this location.

The proposed sidewalks, crosswalk, and warning devices will serve pedestrians, cyclists, and equestrians, by improving safety for those accessing facilities on the north and south sides of Main Street (State Route 113). Both school-age children and the general population will benefit from these changes.

Please let us know how the Planning Board may be of assistance as this project progresses.

Sincerely,

Town of West Newbury Planning Board  
Ann E. Bardeen, Chair



**Parks & Recreation Commission**

Town of West Newbury  
381 Main Street  
West Newbury MA 01985

November 14, 2022

Angus Jennings, Town Manager  
Town of West Newbury  
Town Office Building  
381 Main Street  
West Newbury, MA 01985

Re: Town of West Newbury – Dr. John C. Page Elementary School  
2022 Safe Routes to School Infrastructure Program Grant Application

Dear Mr. Jennings:

The Parks & Recreation Commission enthusiastically supports the Town's proposal to the School Safe Routes to School program for the planned pedestrian safety improvements near the Dr. John C. Page Elementary School.

The Commission has long recognized the unsafe pedestrian crossing at Main Street (SR 113). Funding would greatly benefit our youth recreation programs that frequently use the school parking lot for overflow parking. We believe the planned sidewalks, crosswalk, and warning devices are requirements that would resolve this unsafe condition. This project also serves a critically important role for creating active transportation options for all ages by taking the first steps to extend a sidewalk along this busy section of state road.

This project will build on the recently completed Traffic Safety Audit earlier which identifies the most basic pedestrian safety measures such as sidewalks and warning devices. Please do not hesitate to contact me directly if you have any questions concerning the Park and Recreation Commission's support for the subject project at (617) 874-6498. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Brad Buschur, Chair  
Parks & Recreation Commission



Angus Jennings, Town Manager  
Town of West Newbury  
Town Office Building  
381 Main Street  
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November 16, 2022

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Sincerely,

Graham Bacheller  
Chair-West Newbury Open Space Committee

**From:** Deb Hamilton <[tobiemcdogg@icloud.com](mailto:tobiemcdogg@icloud.com)>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, November 9, 2022 2:03 PM  
**To:** Town Manager <[townmanager@wnewbury.org](mailto:townmanager@wnewbury.org)>  
**Subject:** Safe routes to school support

## Safe routes to school support

Angus Jennings  
West Newbury Town Manager

November 9, 2022

Dear Angus,

I currently serve as a member of the Mill Pond Committee, the West Newbury Planning Board, as vice chair of the Essex County Trail Association and Vice President of the West Newbury Riding and Driving Club.

All of these groups support upgrading the crosswalk between Page School and the Pipestave Hill Recreation Area. Safety for students, trail users and equestrians is paramount. Realignment of the street crossing, opening the Pipestave curb and guardrail, and adding user-activated warning lights for both pedestrians and horseback riders will enhance access and safety for all.

Thank you for forwarding this letter to the appropriate designers and agencies.

Yours truly,  
Deborah Hamilton  
227 Middle St  
West Newbury, MA 01985

Angus Jennings, Town Manager  
Town of West Newbury  
Town Office Building  
381 Main Street  
West Newbury, MA 01985

November 17, 2022

Re: Town of West Newbury – Dr. John C. Page Elementary School  
2022 Safe Routes to School Infrastructure Program Grant Application

Dear Mr. Jennings:

I've been asked to add to the need for certain steps to be taken to ensure optimum protection for pedestrian, vehicular, riding and driving activity, and other usage on Pipestave Hill adjacent to the Elementary School, DPW Buildings, Water Tank, playing fields, Day Care, new playground, storage buildings, Town recycle, trails access, and Town Summer Camp.

I will focus on the 100,000+ sq foot school built in 1928. During peak usage there are over 500 individuals present in the facility with constant vehicle activity to include school busses and delivery trucks. There is a modern new gym connected to the main building and the building served as a vital link during evening hours for covid inoculations. Past history tells us even when Emergency Management has been on site to help manage traffic coming and going, drivers on State Highway 113, which is the Town's Main St, are often speeding well beyond the speed limit. The highway connects 2 Cities. Those attending activities in the evening at the School face difficulties in rain and fog situations.

I believe most individuals using this road with traffic coming and going to use facilities favor the proposed measures indicated by this proposal. Thank you.

Richard Cushing  
Town of West Newbury Selectperson 2000-2012



Charles D. Baker, Governor  
Karyn E. Polito, Lieutenant Governor  
Jamey Tesler, Acting Secretary & CEO  
Jonathan L. Gulliver, Highway Administrator



February 25, 2021

Angus Jennings  
West Newbury Town Manager  
381 Main Street  
West Newbury, MA 01985

Dear Mr. Jennings,

Thank you for your letter regarding crosswalk improvements at two locations on Main Street in West Newbury. We have considered your request and offer the following response:

We have recently met with West Newbury DPW Director Wayne Amaral to discuss these locations in greater detail. Both locations are important crossing locations for the two schools in the town of West Newbury and any efforts to improve the crosswalk visibility is desirable.

As noted in your letter, the crosswalk at Pentucket Regional High School has been recently improved with the construction of ADA compliant curb ramps and painted thermoplastic crosswalk markings. The crosswalk at the Page School has a painted thermoplastic crosswalk from the school across Main street to the recreational facility. There is currently no sidewalk or ADA compliant curb ramps at this location.

As part of the discussions, it was suggested that the town should investigate the Massachusetts Department of Transportation's Shared Streets and Spaces Program application process for potential funding for the purchase and installation of the Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons (RRFB's). The Shared Streets and Spaces program has been initiated to help municipalities address the particular challenges of winter amid the ongoing public health crisis. Pedestrian improvements are considered for that funding.

If the Shared Streets application is not successful, MassDOT will work with the town to explore other avenues to enhance the visibility at these crosswalks including the possibility of installing the RRFB's.

Thank you for contacting us and if you need any more information or would like to discuss this issue further, please contact Frank Suszynski, P.E., Deputy District Highway Director at (857) 368-4011.

Sincerely,

Paul D. Stedman  
District 4 Highway Director

PDS/bmf