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Ms. Simone Monteleone  
Superintendent  
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RE: Project 608495 – Concord-Lincoln-Lexington – Resurfacing and Related Work on Route 2A

Dear Superintendent Monteleone,

Thank you for your letter dated February 9, 2022, regarding the resurfacing of Route 2A in Concord, Lincoln, and Lexington. MassDOT appreciates the historical significance and economic vitality of the Minute Man National Historical Park. The goals of MassDOT's project are to install a new pavement wearing surface to extend the service life of Route 2A and provide traffic calming treatments and pedestrian accommodations, at select locations, to improve overall safety along the corridor. MassDOT's intent is to balance the necessary operational and safety improvements with the need to avoid impacts to the Park. Contrary to prior reports or information, this is a single phase, independent project and MassDOT has no other projects planned or under consideration for this segment.

In addition to the comments in your letter, and those you provided during the February 18, 2022 Section 106 Consultation, MassDOT received written comments from other Consulting Parties, including each of the three local Historical Commissions. MassDOT has modified elements of the design in response to some of the comments received and is compiling additional data to support the design elements that will be retained. I wanted to confirm that the proposed travel lane width is 10.5 feet in each direction, as measured from the midpoint of the outermost yellow center line to the midpoint of the white shoulder line. MassDOT is also developing a set of renderings to depict the current and proposed conditions for the primary elements of the project. Once those tasks are complete, MassDOT will coordinate with the FHWA to present the updated information to the Consulting Parties as soon as scheduling allows.

MassDOT would like to thank the National Park Service, and the other Consulting Parties, for participating in the Section 106 process and for the detailed comments provided. We look forward to continuing to collaborate with all stakeholders to develop a design that meets our shared goals. If you have any questions, please contact Michael Murphy, MassDOT's Project Manager at [Michael.P.Murphy@dot.state.ma.us](mailto:Michael.P.Murphy@dot.state.ma.us) or Frank Suszynski, P.E., Deputy District 4 Highway Director at [Frank.Suszynski@dot.state.ma.us](mailto:Frank.Suszynski@dot.state.ma.us).

Sincerely,

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