



## **TOWN OF PRESTON**

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### **FEDERAL LOCAL BRIDGE PROGRAM PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT PROGRAM**

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## **PRESS RELEASE**

For additional information please contact Sandra Allyn-Gauthier, 389 Route 2, Preston, CT and (860)887-5581.

Preston, Conn. – Sandra Allyn-Gauthier announced that the Town of Preston is contemplating a project to replace the Cooktown Road Bridge over Unnamed Brook. The bridge replacement project would receive federal funds under the Federal Local Bridge Program administered by the Connecticut Department of Transportation.

If undertaken, the project design would be expected to begin in 2023, with construction likely in 2025 or 2026.

Sandra Allyn-Gauthier points out that federal, state and local policy promotes early information to citizens on such projects and encourages people to raise any concerns with municipal officials early in the planning process. Persons wanting additional information should contact Sandra Allyn-Gauthier, at (860) 887-5581.

A minimum 80% of the cost of the bridge replacement would be funded with federal aid, with the remaining 20% maximum paid from state bond funds.

The federal-aid authorization for the project is provided under the “Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act” (MAP-21) and/or the “Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act” (FAST) and/or the “Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act” (IIJA) administered by the Federal Highway Administration and the Connecticut Department of Transportation.