

LOTICIP Projects in Progress

The Town of Suffield is investing in several transportation improvements through the State's Local Transportation Capital Improvement Program (LOTICIP). These projects will make it safer and easier to walk, bike, and travel throughout town while improving connections between neighborhoods, schools, and local destinations.

Projects in Progress

- 1 Farmington Canal Heritage Trail Rehabilitation
- 2 Bridge Street Improvements
- 3 Windsor Locks Canal Trail Reconstruction
- 4 Kent Avenue Sidewalk Extension

Total LOTICIP Investment: ~\$5.2 million

Timeline: Projects in design now, with construction beginning as early as 2026

Farmington Canal Heritage Trail Rehabilitation

What's Happening: Rehabilitation of 6,500 feet of existing paved trail.

Why It Matters: This well-used trail is nearly 20 years old and showing wear. Improvements will provide a smoother, safer surface.

Key Details:

- 1 10-foot-wide paved trail
- 2 Part of regional trail from New Haven to Massachusetts
- 3 Connects to the East Coast Greenway

Funding: \$921,000 (LOTICIP); Construction anticipated 2026

Bridge Street Improvements

What's Happening: Full roadway reconstruction and safety upgrades along 1.3 miles.

Why It Matters: Creates a safer, more connected corridor for drivers, pedestrians, and cyclists.

Key Details:

- 1 Widened roadway (minimum 30 feet)
- 2 5-foot bicycle lanes in each direction

- 3 New sidewalks to fill gaps
- 4 Drainage upgrades
- 5 Improved visibility with reflective striping

Additional Notes: A 10-foot multi-use path is under evaluation pending environmental review.

Funding: \$2,348,000 (LOTICIP)

Windsor Locks Canal Trail Reconstruction

What's Happening: Replacement of deteriorated pavement with a stone dust surface.

Why It Matters: Preserves the historic character while improving usability.

Key Details:

- 1 Follows historic canal towpath (1827–1829)
- 2 Popular for walking, biking, and fishing
- 3 Designed to fit the natural setting

Funding: \$1,200,000 (LOTICIP); Design led by Windsor Locks

Kent Avenue Sidewalk Extension

What's Happening: New and improved sidewalks to close a key gap.

Why It Matters: Improves pedestrian safety and access to key destinations.

Key Details:

- 1 1,420 feet of reconstructed sidewalk
- 2 500 feet of new sidewalk
- 3 5-foot shoulder where sidewalk isn't feasible
- 4 Drainage upgrades
- 5 Intersection improvements at Route 75

Additional Notes: Off-road sidewalk options are being evaluated.

Funding: \$795,600 (LOTICIP)

Stay Involved

Project updates and opportunities for public input will be shared as designs progress. Residents are encouraged to participate and provide feedback.