

**STATE OF NEW YORK
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

Case No. 40233 - Petition of the County of Suffolk, pursuant to Section 91 of the Railroad Law, for an order of the Commissioner directing the replacement of a public grade separation structure at the crossing of CR16, Horseblock Road, in the Town of Brookhaven, County of Suffolk, over the tracks of the Long Island Railroad at MP55.80, USDOT #338-629M.

PETITIONER'S REPRESENTATIVE AND ADDRESS:

Gilbert Anderson, P.E., Commissioner, Suffolk County Department of Public Works
335 Yaphank Avenue, Yaphank, NY 11980.

NOTICE is hereby given that a public hearing will be held in the above-entitled matters before the Honorable Alicia McNally, Chief Administrative Law Judge, New York State Department of Transportation, at the Brookhaven Town Hall Auditorium at 1 Independence Hill, Farmingville, NY 11738, on August 7, 2018 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

By a letter dated November 20th, 2017 requesting this hearing, the County of Suffolk stated that it is currently progressing a project to replace the County Route 16 Bridge (BIN 3300800), which carries Horseblock Road over the Long Island Railroad and Long Island Avenue. The existing bridge that crosses over the Long Island Railroad is a 4 span structure with a width of 46 feet that has geometric and structural deficiencies and has experienced ongoing deterioration. The County proposes to eliminate all deficiencies by constructing a new bridge on the same alignment as the existing bridge. The new bridge will be a 2-span structure that will shorten the bridge length and have a width of 64 feet with a vertical profile that will provide the required stopping sight distance for the 50 mph design speed. The new bridge will improve the vertical clearance under the bridge to in excess of 20' - 9" which is the minimum required as the LIRR has granted a waiver relaxing the standard 22' required vertical clearance. This hearing will establish a record and enable a determination as to whether the proposed project is in the public interest.

Parties are requested to advise the Office of Proceedings (518-457-1182) if a sign language interpreter, an assistive listening system or any other accommodations will be required to facilitate participation in this hearing.

Parties who are planning to attend this hearing should confirm the day before the hearing that the hearing has not been adjourned, especially in case of inclement weather, by calling the Office of Proceedings or going to the Department's website which is located at:
<https://www.nysdot.gov/divisions/legal-services-division/hearing-notices>.

Parties who wish to receive a copy of the final report that is issued in the case must send a written request to the Office of Proceedings, NYSDOT, 50 Wolf Road, Albany, New York 12232.

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