

West Side Connector Road October 2010 Update

The Towns of Northbridge, Sutton, and Douglas are working with private land owners to establish a connector roadway parallel to Route 146. The roadway will run from the Whitins Road/Main Street exit, technically in Northbridge, to the Lackey Dam Road exit in Douglas.

This roadway will provide access to over 400 acres of back land that currently can not be accessed from the surrounding residential streets. The development of the roadway with related water, sewer and perhaps gas infrastructure, will provide for substantial new tax base generation and job creation. The preliminary layouts will allow the area to be buffered from abutting residential uses and allow traffic generated here to directly access the interstate highway system without going through residential neighborhoods.

Private landowners have provided all information they have developed to date and we have identified potential issues with water and sewer installations. A final conceptual layout plan has been prepared and an Request for Proposals for definitive roadway design should go out within the next month.