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**Route 7 Wilton Project Scheduling Blasting Operations
During Day For Removal of Rock**

Wilton, Connecticut – The Connecticut Department of Transportation is announcing that blasting on Route 7 in the vicinity of Station Access Road will occur between the hours of **9:00am and 2:00pm Monday through Friday** for approximately two weeks.

Vehicles traveling in this area will be halted for approximately 10 minute intervals immediately prior to the blast occurring. Pedestrian traffic will also be prohibited during the same time period. These precautions are necessary to protect drivers, passengers and pedestrians during the rock blasting and permit subsequent inspection of roadways. The variable message signs in the area will advise motorists and pedestrians of this work.

The public will be warned two times prior to each blast. The first warning will take place 15 minutes prior to blast by a series of whistles and the second warning will be a series of whistles immediately prior to blast. Additionally, local businesses and residences in the immediate area of the blast will also receive notification of blasting work scheduled in their area.

The work is part of the overall project to widen Route 7 in Wilton that will accommodate two travel lanes, both northbound and southbound, for a length of approximately three miles from Wolfpit Road to Olmstead Hill Road. The project is scheduled for completion in 2010.

Please use caution when traveling through the construction work zone to ensure the safety of motorists and construction personnel.

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