



TOWN OF FALMOUTH

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Ms. Mary-Joe Perry, District Highway Director
MassDOT District 5
1000 County Street
Taunton, MA 02780

Re: Falmouth – Recommendation of RSA dated July 2023, Relocation of Crosswalk across Route 28A at Old Dock Road to Area with Greater Visibility and Fewer Accessibility Concerns

Dear Ms. Perry:

As you will recall, a Roads Safety Audit (RSA) was completed for a portion of West Falmouth Highway (Route 28A) between Chapoquoit Road and Old Dock Road on April 24, 2023. The results of this RSA were published in a report by McMahon, a Bowman Company in July 2023.

In Table 3: Potential Safety Enhancement Summary, on Page 19 of the report under the Safety Issue category of Pedestrian Accommodations the following two Potential Safety Enhancements are listed:

1. Consider relocating the crosswalk across Route 28A at Old Dock Road to an area that has greater visibility and fewer accessibility and vehicle encroachment concerns, and
2. Bring all crosswalks to ADA compliance, including the use of high-visibility markings and the installation of compliant curb ramps.

At its January 6, 2025 meeting the Falmouth Select Board voted to submit this formal written request to MassDOT District 5 to request the District take immediate action taken to install an ADA-compliant crosswalk at Route 28A and Old Dock Road in a location north of the West Falmouth Market driveway, and that the crosswalk be accompanied by a pedestrian-operated blinking light making it abundantly clear to drivers when pedestrians are crossing the road.

I look forward to your office acknowledging receipt of this request, and a timeline for when these critically important safety enhancements will be installed.

Respectfully,

Nancy Robbins Taylor
Chair, Falmouth Select Board