

# FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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# MDOT public meeting Aug. 27 to discuss I-94 bridge removal project in Detroit

**DETROIT, Mich. -** The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) is hosting an in-person public meeting to discuss the removal of the <u>McClellan Avenue overpass</u> <u>at I-94</u> in Detroit. At this meeting, the project team will be sharing information about demolition schedules, vehicular and pedestrian detours, and an overview of the reconfiguration of the Gratiot Avenue interchange.

### Who:

Interested members of the public MDOT staff

#### When:

Tuesday, Aug. 27, 2024 6 - 8 p.m.

#### Where:

Alkebu-lan Village 7701 Harper Ave. Detroit, MI 48213

# **Accessibility:**

Attendees who require mobility, visual, hearing, written, or other assistance for effective participation should contact Orlando Curry at 517-241-7462

or <u>CurryO@Michigan.gov</u> preferably at least five business days prior to the scheduled meeting. Forms are located on the <u>Title VI webpage</u>. Requests made after this timeframe will be evaluated and honored to the extent possible.

# **Project background:**

The removal of the McClellan Avenue overpass is necessary for various reasons. Opened in 1956, the bridge has never been rebuilt. It has been closed since March due to continued deterioration that poses a risk to the public.

In addition, the bridge needs to be removed due to the upcoming reconfiguration of the I-94/Gratiot Avenue interchange. The outdated interchange will be brought up to modern design standards for safety, replacing the existing loop ramps with traditional diamond-style exit and entrance ramps. Due to its proximity to Gratiot Avenue, the existing McClellan Avenue overpass presents clearance issues for high-profile vehicles that will be using the new ramps.

# **Public comment:**

MDOT continues to seek public participation and welcomes input. Comments can be submitted via e-mail at <a href="mailto:MDOT-I94Detroit@Michigan.gov">MDOT-I94Detroit@Michigan.gov</a> and in person at the public meeting.