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Rep. Greene: Bond Commission Approves Grants for Beacon Falls, Seymour Projects



Grants will Fund Resurfacing of Section of Route 42 in Beacon Falls; Seymour Library Project

Funding for the resurfacing of a section of Route 42 in Beacon Falls and a grant that will help pay for the replacement of the air conditioning system at the Seymour Public Library have been approved by the State Bond Commission, state Representative Len Greene said today.

The Bond Commission approved the funding at its regular monthly meeting today (June 29, 2007), said Representative Greene, R-105th District.

“I’m very pleased that Governor Rell included the resurfacing of the Beacon Falls section of Route 42 as part of her statewide plan to modernize and upgrade our state’s transportation network,” Representative Greene said. “Keeping our two-lane state highways well maintained makes them safer for motorists and pedestrians and contributes to the economic health of our state by helping to ensure the efficient and safe movement of vehicles that serve commercial and industrial clients throughout Connecticut.”

“The new air conditioning system that will be installed at the Seymour Public Library will make the facility a more comfortable and inviting place for patrons during the summer and a healthier place for staff and visitors throughout the year,” Representative Greene said. “It is a worthwhile investment of state funds that will benefit the entire community.”

The funding for the Route 42 project in Beacon Falls is part of a \$54 million allocation that will pay for the resurfacing of about 180 miles of two-lane roads throughout the state. A 1.65 mile section of Route 42 about three-tenths of a mile south of the access to Route 8 southbound to state route 852 will be resurfaced at an estimated cost of \$365,381. The project is expected to get underway later this summer or in the fall, Representative Greene said.

The Seymour Public Library grant totals \$67,333 and will help pay for the replacement of the present air-conditioning system that was installed in 1980, but was not redesigned in the 1990s when the library was expanded. The present system provides adequate cooling in some parts of the library, but other sections are poorly ventilated, Representative Greene said.