



# Walk Bridge Replacement Project

## Visual Survey and Documentation of Building Conditions

### Why is a visual survey of my property being performed?

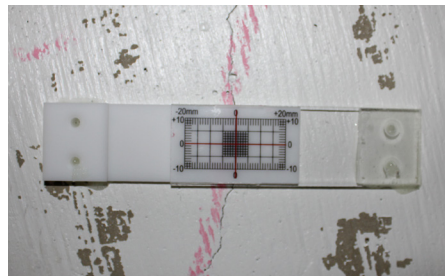
A visual condition assessment is completed before and after construction projects to monitor for any changes that may have occurred to the building or property due to the construction process. The visual review from grade and roof levels is an evaluation technique used to capture general observations about the cladding systems (brick, siding or similar), window conditions and roofs. Interior side observations are also typically made to document articles like plaster or drywall cracking.

### Who does the visual survey?

The visual survey will be completed by experienced inspectors, engineers and those with an architecture background that have deep knowledge performing condition assessment work. They will photo document their findings and use survey sheets and other documentation techniques to note preconstruction conditions and any post construction changes.

### Will any monitoring devices be installed on my property?

Crack monitors may be installed to better monitor cracks in exterior walls, foundation walls, or at interior drywall or plaster. Crack monitoring gauges can be used to measure movements across a crack. Following the initial installation, inspections at regular intervals are carried out to measure and record crack width measurements. If they need to be placed on the exterior or within a building or residence, they will not be installed unless arrangements for such have been made with the property owner or tenant. Arrangements will also be made for the periodic review of the gauges.



Crack Monitoring Gauge

### What is the duration of the visual survey?

The visual survey may take several hours, and time within the residence will be limited as best as possible. As the surveys will be before and after the Walk Bridge test pile program, two different surveys will be completed and thus your property will be accessed at least twice. If crack gauges are approved and set at your property, additional interim visits as noted above will be completed.

### When will the survey be performed?

Preconstruction surveys are anticipated to be performed in July/August 2018.

### Will a person need to be present during the survey?

A person is generally needed to be present during the interior survey to allow access to the property and access for the exterior survey for any sides of the property not readily able to be reviewed from public streets. This will occur two times at a minimum; before and after construction.

## WALK BRIDGE PROGRAM | 2018

The Connecticut Department of Transportation initiated the *Walk Bridge Program* to replace the 122-year-old deteriorating railroad bridge that crosses the Norwalk River in Norwalk, CT. The existing four-track swing bridge opens to provide access for commercial and private maritime users along the Norwalk River. When closed, the Walk Bridge connects the rail line that passes through the heart of historic South Norwalk on the west side of the river to East Norwalk on the east side.

The Walk Bridge is a critical transportation link between Washington, D.C., New York City and Boston, carrying Metro-North's New Haven Line with approximately 125,000 passengers daily, Amtrak and freight services.

The Replacement of the Walk Bridge is anticipated to start construction in 2019.



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