



The gravel operation

According to Amcs, NECR and CCRR have agreed to use a temporary siding for service this summer. NECR will apply to VAOT for industrial siding funds. Twin State will seek a permanent siding south of the temporary siding into Twin State's quarry.

Concerns about traffic; new road alignment

Initially, rail operation will decrease truck traffic, as gravel to Twin State will move by rail. However, McSweeney pointed out, truck traffic could rise back up if current businesses, or new customers proposed by CCRR for Westboro yard, increased their distribution traffic.

The city could reduce some traffic impact on the residential area by rerouting Glen Road.

The public meeting

On 22 May, McSweeney, NHDOT's Jim Marshall and Finn Posner, Lorie Barnes, Stan LaValley (a major CCRR stockholder), Ken Ryder who heads the city's public works department, and Ken Niemcyk who runs the planning department, met and agreed that NHDOT will announce at the end of this week the day of a public information meeting in

Lebanon, which will provide an opportunity for concerned citizens to hear the plans for the railroad, and to ask questions. CCRR will present its proposed operation, and NHDOT will present long-range plans for that part of the use of the Westboro railyard not used by CCRR.

"Not everyone will be overjoyed with the project," predicted McSweeney, "but they will have a good opportunity to understand it." {ANR&P discussions 24 & 25.May.00; Kristina Eddy in *Valley News* 17.May.00}

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NEW HAMPSHIRE**

FOR THE NASHUA COMMUTER RAIL, NHDOT will send out RFPs in the "next few days" for preliminary engineering. {ANR&P discussion with Kit Morgan 24.May.00}

