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Planners offer alternatives to Circumferential Highway

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Transportation planners in Chittenden County have agreed on five projects to improve traffic flow instead of the Circumferential Highway.

Last spring, the governor announced no additional segments of the Circ would be built. He called on planners to find other ways to reduce traffic congestion at trouble spots around the county.



Their short list of ideas includes:

- *A new interchange at Exit 16 off Interstate 89 in Colchester
- *Improvements at the intersection of Route 2A and 289 in Essex
- *Building the so-called Crescent Connector to bypass the 5 corners in Essex Junction
- *Intersection upgrades at Route 2A and James Brown Drive in Williston

The plan also calls for a variety of other transportation management actions, ranging from better traffic signals to increased public transit.

The proposal will be discussed at a public hearing Dec. 14 at 7 p.m. at the Albany College of Pharmacy & Health Sciences, 261 Mountain View Drive, Colchester.

Click here to visit the CIRC Alternatives Task Force website.





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