2015 marked the start of major construction at the four CT\textit{rail} Hartford Line stations in Berlin, Meriden, Wallingford and Hartford.

Construction at stations generally includes the installation of high-level platforms (approximately 500 feet), an overhead pedestrian bridge, passenger information display systems, ticket vending machines, automatic snowmelt systems and one electronic vehicle charging station. All station elements will be Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)-compliant. Site specific improvements are identified below.

**Planned Station Improvements**

**Berlin:** A new station will be constructed along with a new 220 space parking lot.

**Meriden:** A new station will be constructed to the south as a replacement for the existing station. A new parking lot with a capacity of approximately 65 vehicles will be constructed. Through a separate, transit-oriented development (TOD) initiative, an additional 225 spaces will be accommodated in a parking garage to be built at the corner of Colony Street and Church Street.

**Wallingford:** A new station will be constructed near the corner of Parker Street and North Cherry Street. Parking lots will be provided at North Cherry Street and Route 5 with a total capacity of approximately 220 parking spaces.

The work listed above will incorporate cutting edge design elements and passenger focused amenities at the stations. Passengers will continue to use the current stations until the new stations are opened in 2017.

**Hartford:** A new 260 foot, high-level platform has been constructed on top of the existing low-level platform and was put into service in summer 2016.

**QUICK TERMS**

- **Automatic Snow Melt System:** A system of pipes built into a high-level platform through which heated fluid melts snow and ice.
- **Electric Vehicle (EV) Charging Stations:** A device, located in a parking lot, that allows drivers to plug-in and charge their EV. These devices will be installed in the parking lots of the Berlin, Meriden and Wallingford train stations.
- **High-level Platform:** A platform constructed to a height four feet above the top of the train tracks, at the same height as the passenger train car door sill.
- **Overhead Pedestrian Bridge:** A bridge built as part of a train station that allows passengers to safely travel from one side of a station over the railroad tracks to the other side.
- **Passenger Information Display System (PIDS):** A system consisting of electronic devices at a station that displays schedules and other important passenger information.
- **Ticket Vending Machine (TVM):** A “kiosk” that dispenses a train ticket. It is typically located at a station and provides the benefit of lowering operating costs by reducing staffing needs.
- **Variable Messaging Sign (VMS):** An electronic sign with scrolling text that is installed at stations to inform the public of train schedules, delays and approaching trains.

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