

HIGHWAY 1 COLQUITZ BRIDGES PROJECT INFORMATION & UPDATES

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PROJECT OVERVIEW

The Highway 1-Colquitz River Bridges Widening project will widen and seismically retrofit both existing two-lane bridges over Burnside Road on Highway 1 in Victoria, as well as establish a dedicated bus-on-shoulder lane. Widening the Colquitz River bridges will make for a more reliable, efficient commute for south Islanders while protecting local waterways and ecosystems. The Project will provide environmental enhancements by planting native trees, removing invasive species and treating highway runoff via a rain garden before discharging into the Colquitz River. Pomerleau Inc was awarded the construction contract in March 2024 for the project.

PROJECT UPDATES

Construction activities continue to progress onsite, including ongoing widening work on the South Bridge and continued infrastructure installation along Highway 1. Pile installation at the South Bridge has been completed. The South Bridge works will transition to the abutments and approaches over the month of August. Highway 1 traffic management work is ongoing, and includes shifting of concrete roadside barriers to facilitate working room for grading and demolition works. The temporary median crossover continues to be used during nighttime works. Infrastructure for the new bridge deck drainage system has been installed along Burnside Road West, as well as the rain garden excavation has been completed.

1 MONTH LOOKAHEAD

The following construction activities are anticipated to begin/continue over the next month:

- South Bridge Pier Cap Widening.
- Commencement of the South Bridge abutment and approach works.
- Ongoing Deck Work on the South Bridge.
- Traffic Control and Temporary Crosswalk along Burnside Rd.
- Traffic Control along Highway 1.
- Installation of drainage infrastructure along South Side of Highway 1.
- Excavation and Grading works at North Bridge.

PROTECTION OF THE ENVIRONMENT

The Highway 1 Colquitz Bridges Project is conducting bi-weekly environmental audits to ensure the project is following best environmental practices and that these practices are working effectively. The latest environmental audit was conducted on July 29th, and it examined the concrete pouring for the South Bridge deck pile, clearing and earthworks along Highway 1, and the excavation along Burnside Road West for the bridge deck drainage system installation. Tree protection fencing along with sediment fencing is being maintained correctly within the project site. Water quality monitoring continues to be conducted throughout the course of the project.

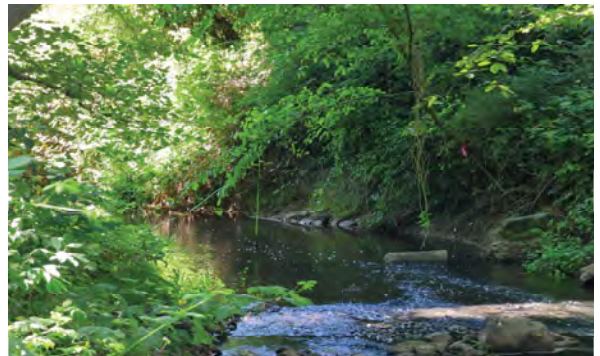


Figure 1: Hydrophone Setup During Piling Activities

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Figure 2: Overhead View of Median Cross Over



Figure 3: Pile Installation at South Bridge



Figure 4: Works Along Highway 1



Figure 5: Overhead View of South Bridge Pile Installation