

Highway 7 Dewdney Bridge Replacement Project

Thank you for participating at this information session

- Learn more about the project, including design changes made based on feedback from the March 2020 public open house
- Meet the project team
- Share your questions and feedback
- Discuss construction considerations
- Find out ways to stay informed about the project

The Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure acknowledges that this project is within the traditional territory of the Stó:lō people, with special gratitude to the Leq'á:mel First Nation for hosting this session on their Lands.

We are honoured to be here and to work with the Stó:lō Nations, and especially with Leq'á:mel First Nation, on this project.

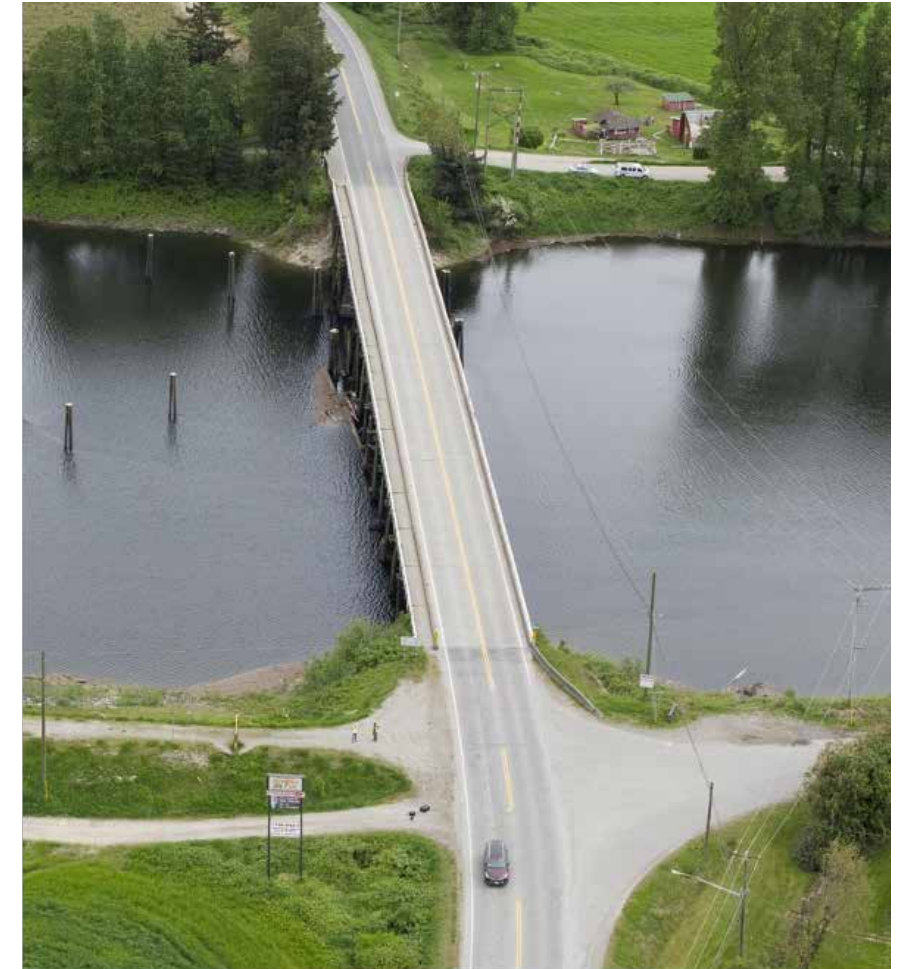


Image: Dewdney Bridge today

Project location and purpose

Dewdney Bridge connects Highway 7 on either side of Nicomen Slough, with connection to Highway 1 via Highway 9 and 11

- The existing Dewdney Bridge was built in 1958 and is at the end of its serviceable life.
- The new bridge will be constructed beside the current bridge, on the upstream side.
- Replacing the bridge is a more cost-effective way to achieve modern seismic and environmental standards than upgrading the existing structure.

The new bridge will be constructed beside the current bridge, which will subsequently be removed.



Project benefits



Protect the availability of this vital connection



Provide higher clearance for river navigation



Improve the environment by removing 300+ creosote piles



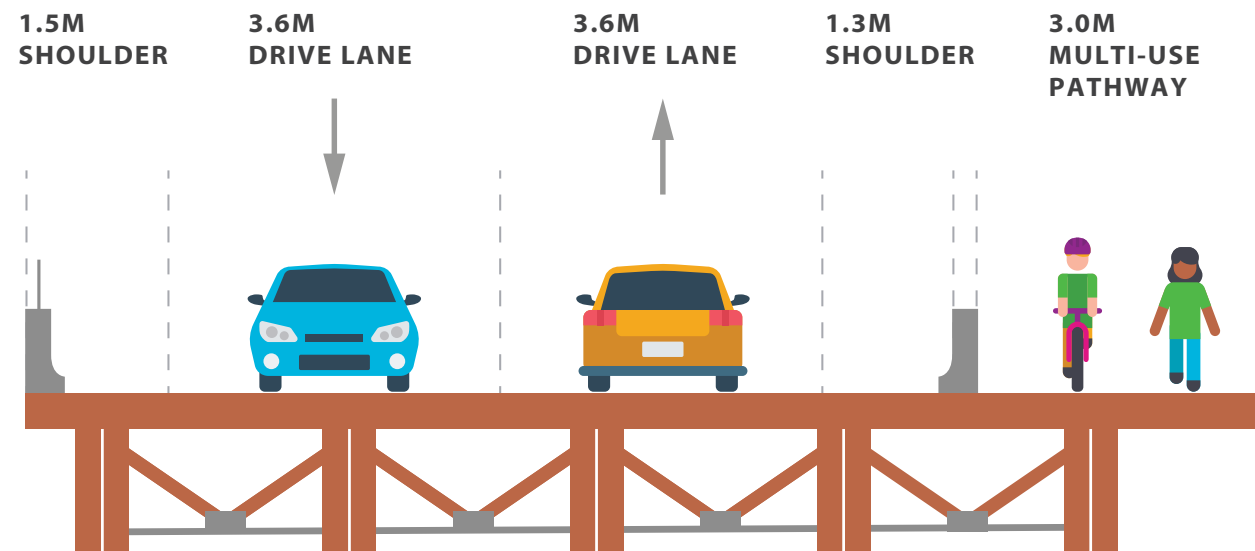
Better accommodate all bridge users, including people who walk and cycle



Ensure network resiliency in the event of a closure on Hwy 1

Refined design: overview

The new design minimizes impact to ALR, private land and utilities.



What to expect during construction

Subject to final design and approval to proceed, construction will take approximately two years. The project team will seek to avoid or minimize construction impacts and will proactively communicate with road users and nearby residents to minimize disruption and help everyone plan ahead.

Potential effect



Moderate **noise** and **vibration** during work hours.



Crews and equipment may temporarily slow **traffic**.



Crews working in/around **environmentally sensitive** streams and riparian areas.

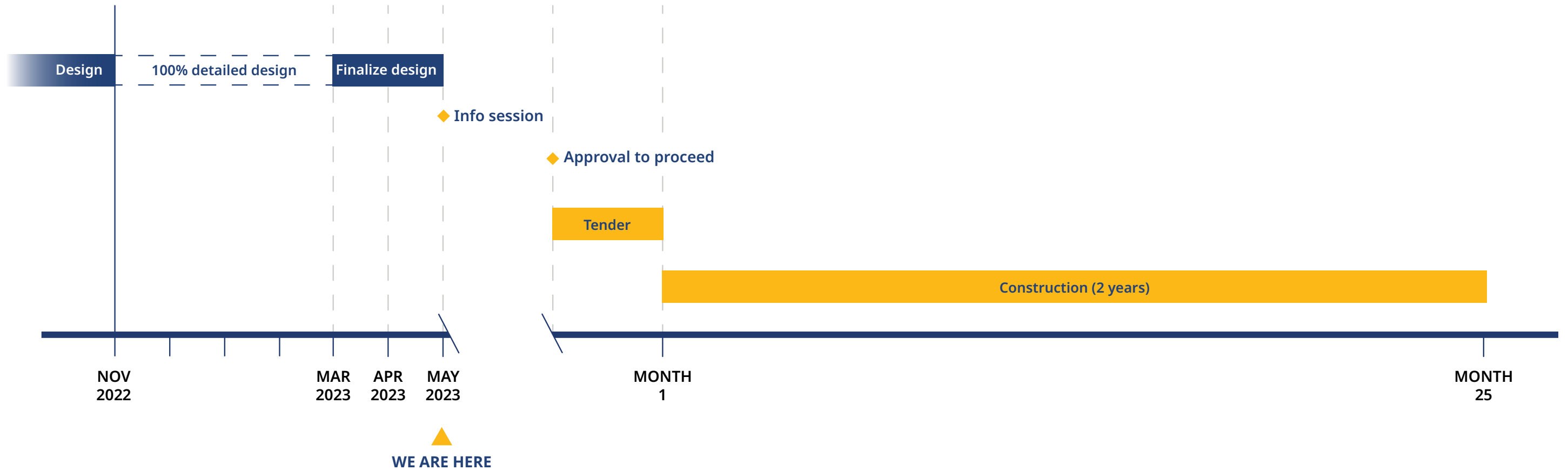


Ground disturbance activities may uncover items of **archaeological or cultural** significance.

Project commitment

- Primarily day-time work (*Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.*)
- Communicate any exceptions well in advance
- Construct new bridge beside existing bridge. Existing bridge will remain open until the new one is available.
- Maintain access to all properties
- Traffic management measures for bridge user and worker safety
- Prepare and implement Construction Environmental Management Plan based on best practices
- Personnel on-site to oversee and monitor sensitive in-stream work
- Qualified archaeologist and/or First Nation representative on-site for land disturbance work
- Chance find protocols in place

Next steps



Thank you



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