

# *The Bayonne Bridge: Project Development*



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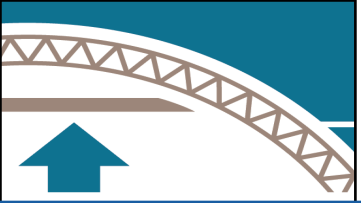
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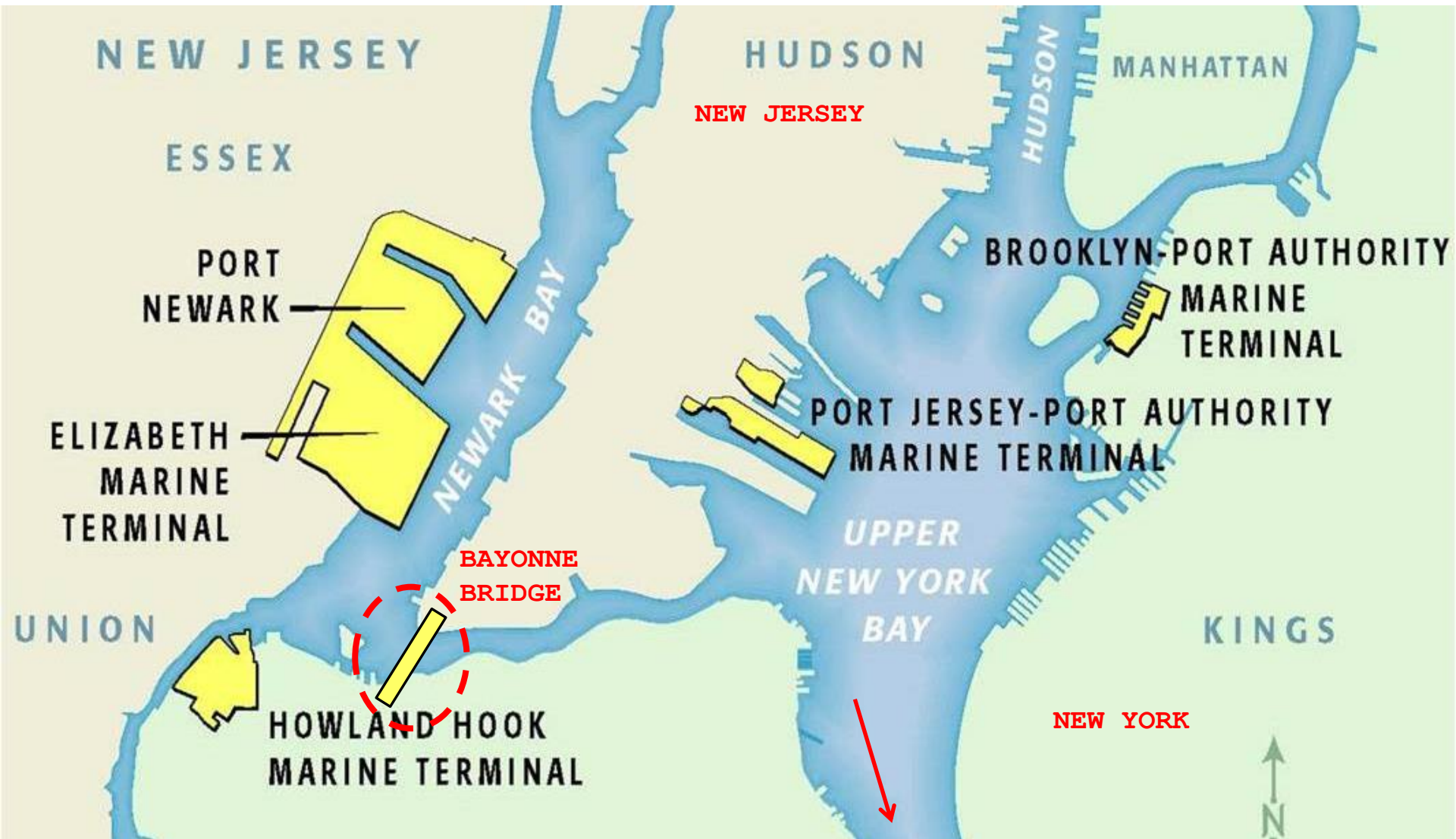
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# ***Project Development***





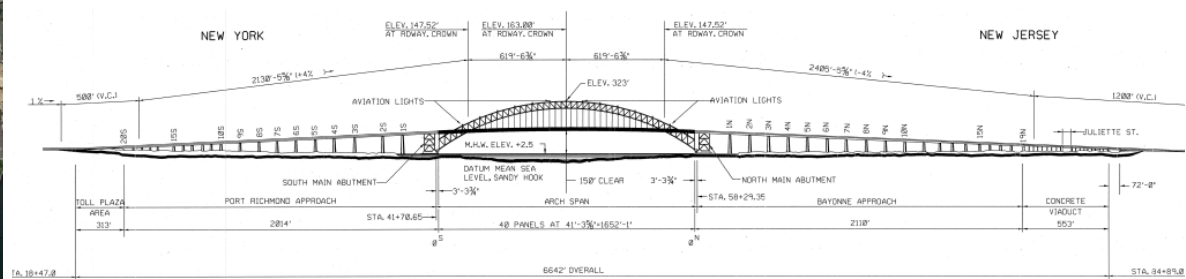
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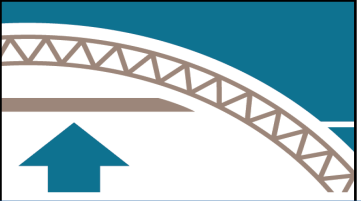






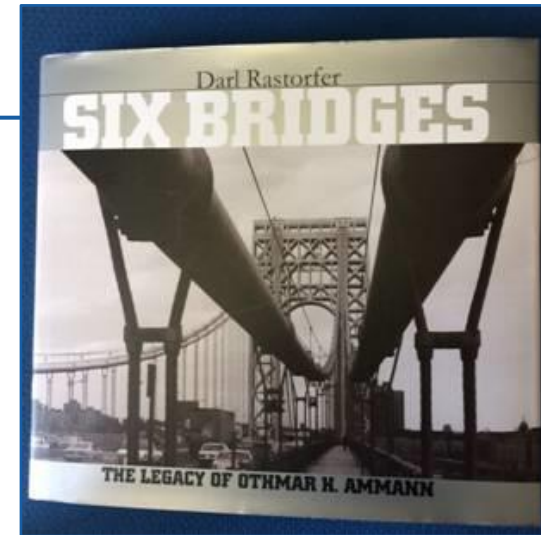
# Existing Facility





# Bayonne Bridge History

- *Designed by Othmar Ammann and Cass Gilbert  
Also Designed The George Washington Bridge; Triborough Bridge; Bronx - Whitestone; Throgs Neck; and Verrazano-Narrows*
- *Opened to Traffic on November 15, 1931  
1,675-foot, Steel Arch Span was the Longest in the World at the Time, and Remained so for 46 years*
- *1985 Designated a National Historic Civil Engineering Landmark*
- *2001 National and NJ State Historic Register Eligible (2003 NY Eligible)*

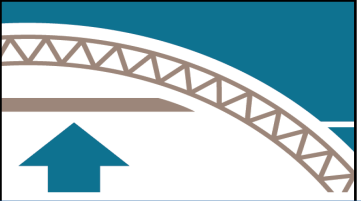






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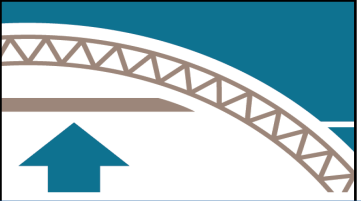






## *Existing Main Arch Span*





## *The Port of New York and New Jersey*

- *Busiest Port on the Eastern Seaboard - 30% of Shipping Traffic*
- *Third Largest Container Port in the Western Hemisphere, and 27<sup>th</sup> Largest in the World*
- *\$202.6 Billion in Cargo Came Through the Port in 2013. Almost 80% of Imports Support Commerce in the Surrounding Region*





# *The Port of New York and New Jersey*

- ***Port Activity Supports:***
  - ***280,000 Jobs***
  - ***\$11.2 Billion in Annual Personal Income***
- ***Kill Van Kull Provides Maritime Access to Port Newark-Elizabeth and Howland Hook Marine Terminal in Staten Island, NY***



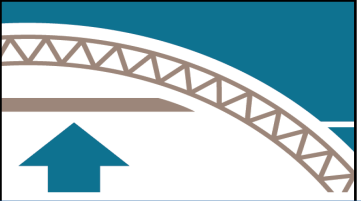




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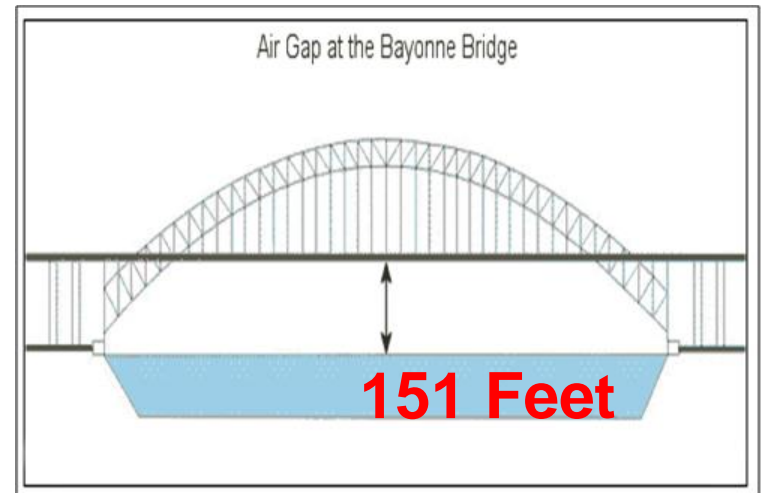
- *Economic Impact of Bayonne Bridge Construction Program*
- *6,300 Total Job Years (or Approximately 1,500 Jobs/Year)*
- *\$380 Million in Wages*
- *\$1.6 Billion in Regional Economic Activity*

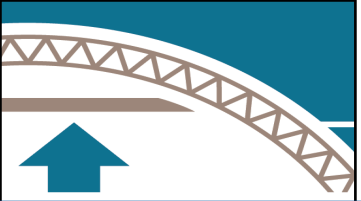




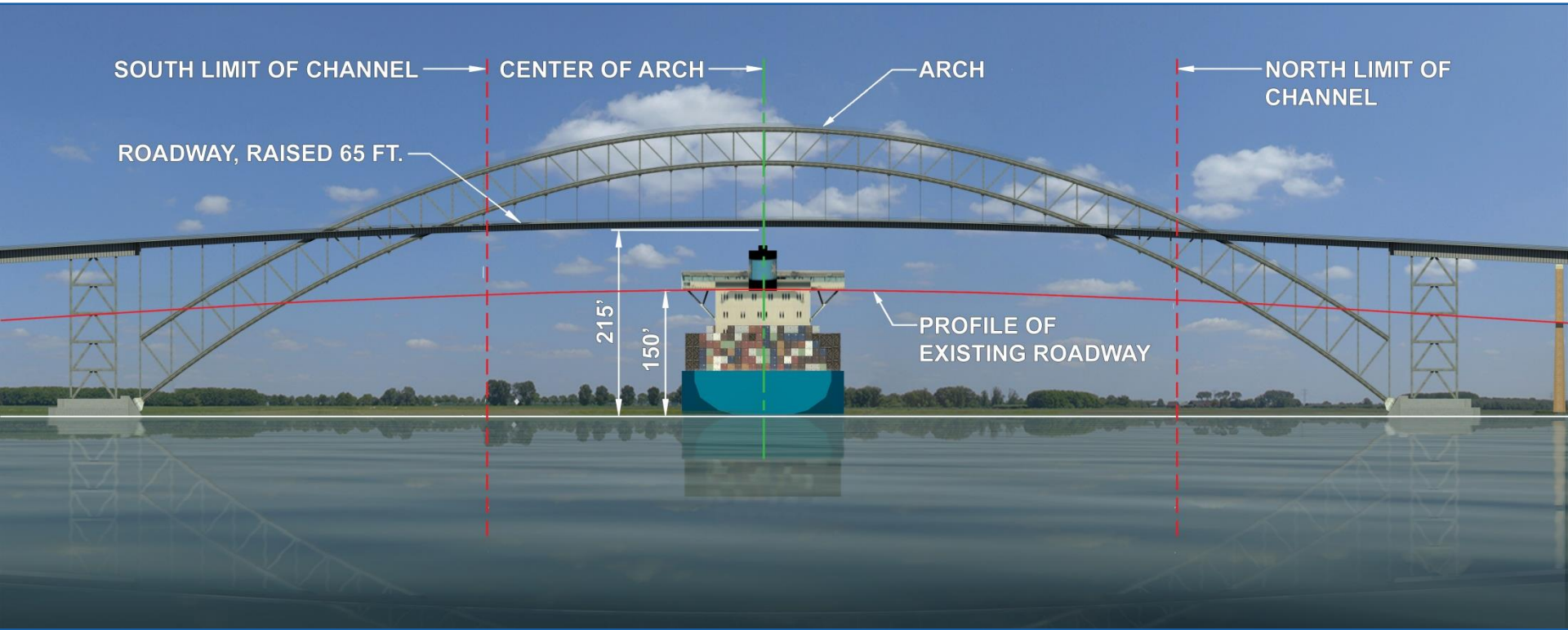
# **Problem:** **Bayonne Bridge Air Draft Restriction**

- **Existing 151-foot Air Draft**
- **The Expansion of the Panama Canal will Allow for New, Larger, (Post-Panamax) Ships with Increased Clearance Requirements**
- **Taller Ships (up to 200-ft), will not be able to Navigate Beneath the Bayonne Bridge**
- **The Bridge of the Americas (Pacific Approach to Panama Canal), has a 201-foot Clearance**
- **Trends in Shipping (shown in photo)**
  - **8,000 TEU Regina Maersk**
  - **13,000 TEU Emma Maersk**





# Problem: Bayonne Bridge Air Draft Restriction







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Current



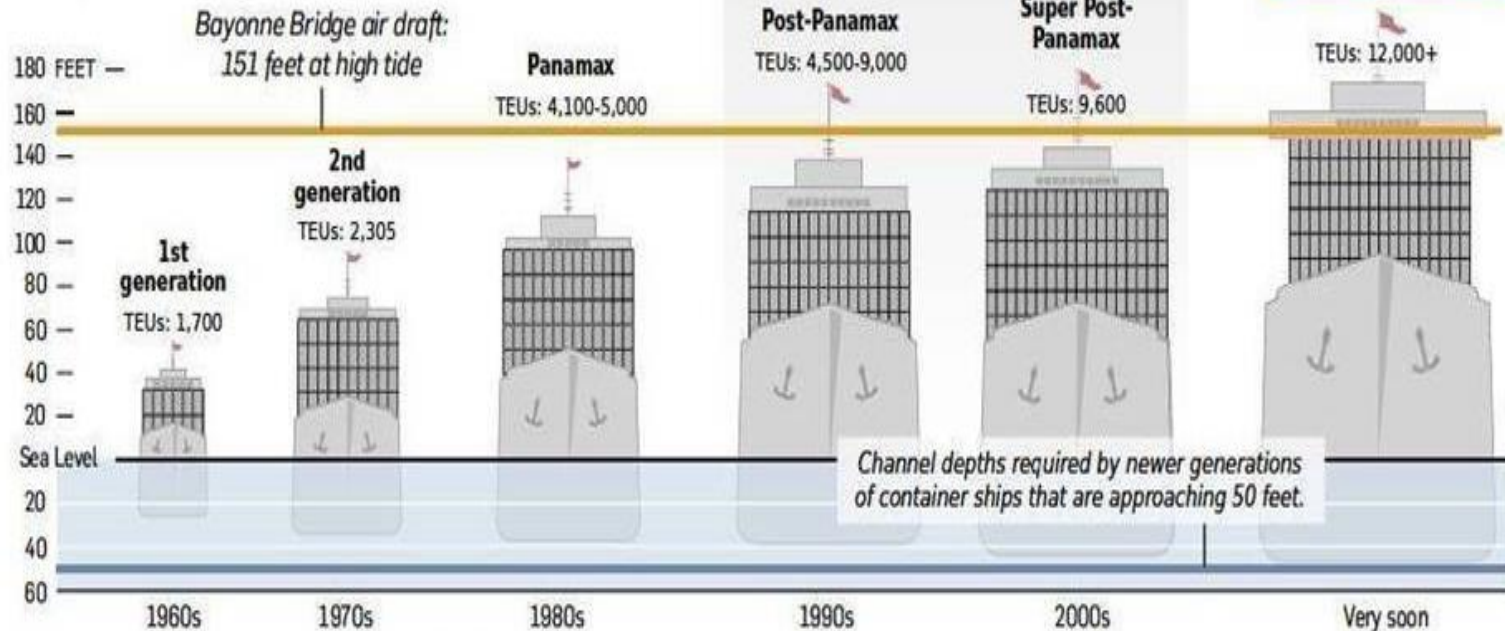
Future



## TEU: Twenty-foot equivalent unit

A measure of volume or capacity based on the standard dimensions of a 20-foot cargo-carrying container; a 40-foot container provides for the same volume or capacity as two 20-foot containers (2 TEUs).

☐ = one 40-foot container



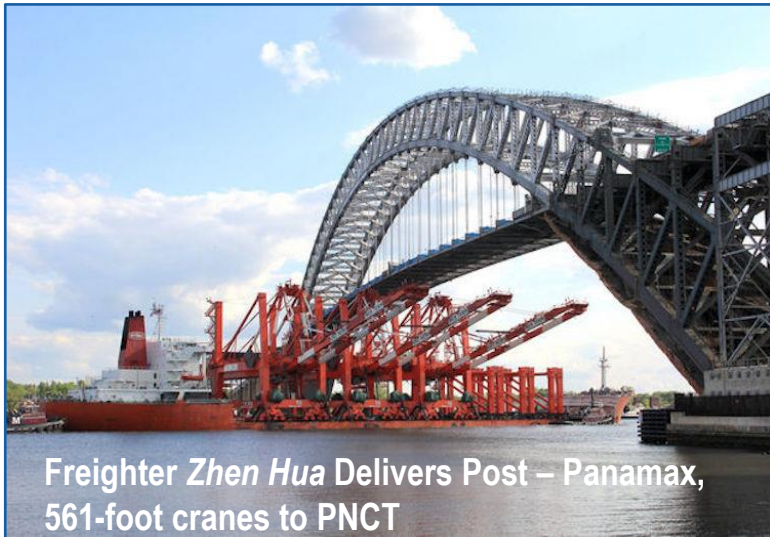
"Post-Panamax" refers to ships that are too large to navigate the Panama Canal. But they will fit through after the canal is expanded.

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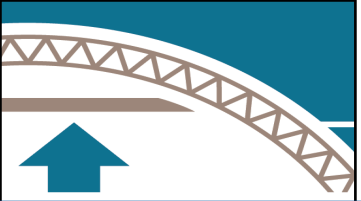


## Program Benefits



Freighter *Zhen Hua* Delivers Post – Panamax,  
561-foot cranes to PNCT

- ***Enhance regional economic competitiveness***
- ***The Bayonne Bridge Project will generate more than 2,500 construction jobs, \$380 Million in wages, and more than \$1.6B in regional economic activity***
- ***Increase environmental sustainability, access for newer larger ships***
- ***Modernize the roadway with wider 12-foot lanes, median divider, and shoulders***
- ***Maintenance of community character – No ROW required***
- ***Wider, full length Pedestrian Walkway / Bikeway***
- ***Potential for future Transit Access***



# Alternatives Review and Analysis

## BRIDGE MODIFICATIONS

### ✓ **Raise the Roadway (Retrofit or New Piers)**

- **Jack the Arch**
- **Lift Bridge**



## BRIDGE REPLACEMENT

- **New Bridge**
- **New Tunnel**



## NON-BRIDGE ALTERNATIVES

- **Ferry Service (Vehicular/Passenger)**
- **Remove the (Historic) Bridge**







# Bayonne Bridge Alternatives Review and Analysis

Alternative	Bridge Modification			Bridge Replacement		Non-Bridge		
	Raise the Roadway	Jack Arch	Lift Bridge	New Bridge	New Tunnel	Alternate Port Sites	Lock	Ferry
Constraints/ Operational Limitations	✓	✗	✗	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗
Neighborhood / Environmental Impacts	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
Cost	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	-	-
Schedule	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	-

# *“Raise the Roadway” Rehabilitation and Retrofit*



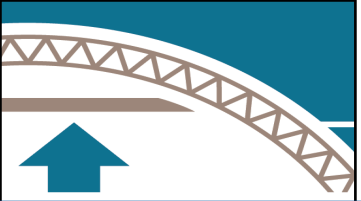
**Existing**

- ✓ 151 ft. air draft
- ✓ 6 ft. walkway
- ✓ 4-10 ft. lanes, no shoulders
- ✓ No median barrier

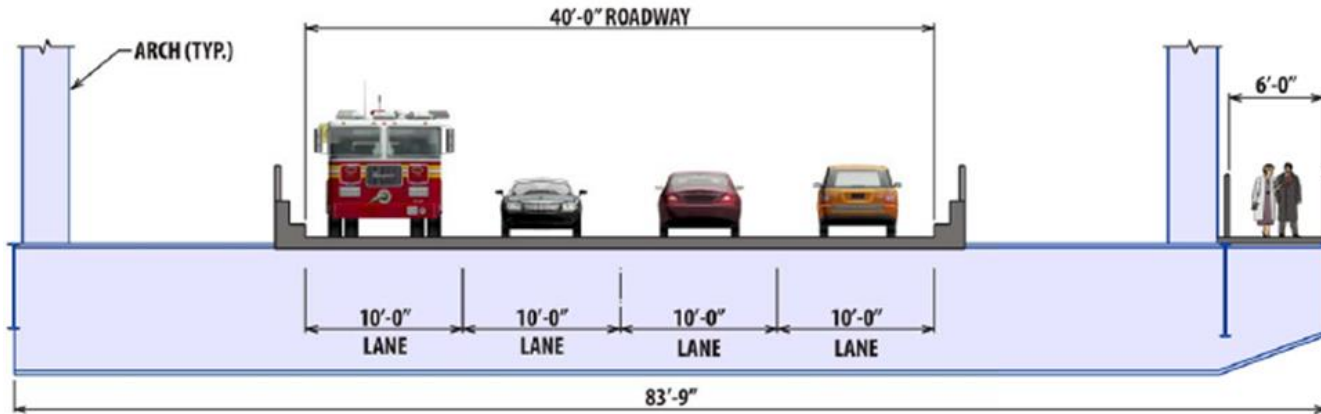


**Proposed**

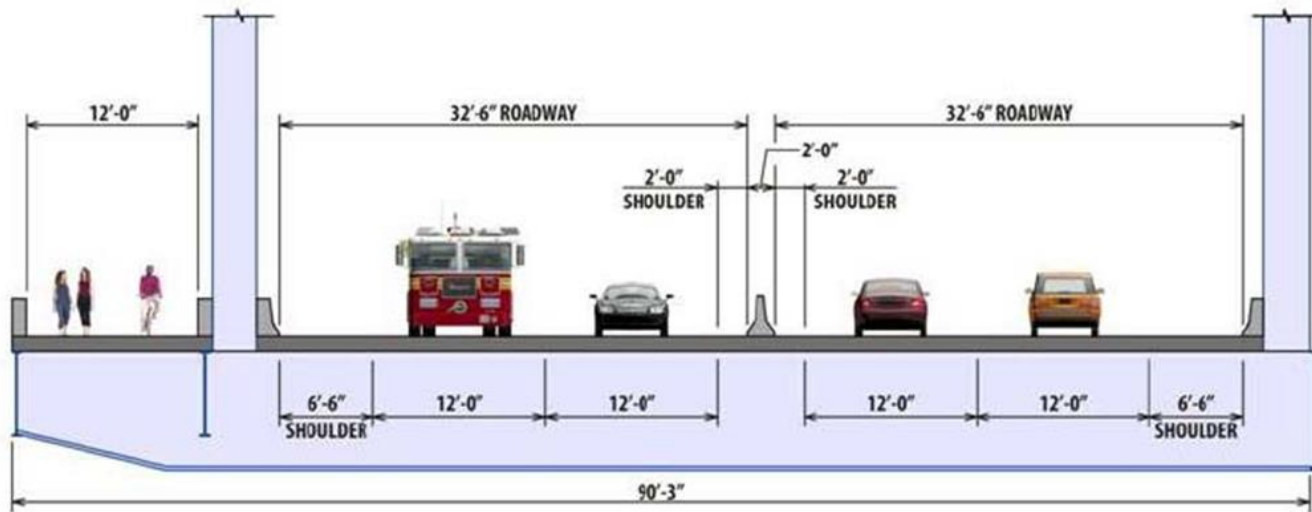
- ✓ 215 ft. air draft
- ✓ 12 ft. walkway / bikeway
- ✓ 4-12 ft. lanes, with shoulders
- ✓ Median Barrier
- ✓ Future transit



# Existing & Proposed Roadway



**EXISTING ROADWAY (4 - 10 FOOT LANES, NO SHOULDERS, 6 FOOT WALKWAY)**

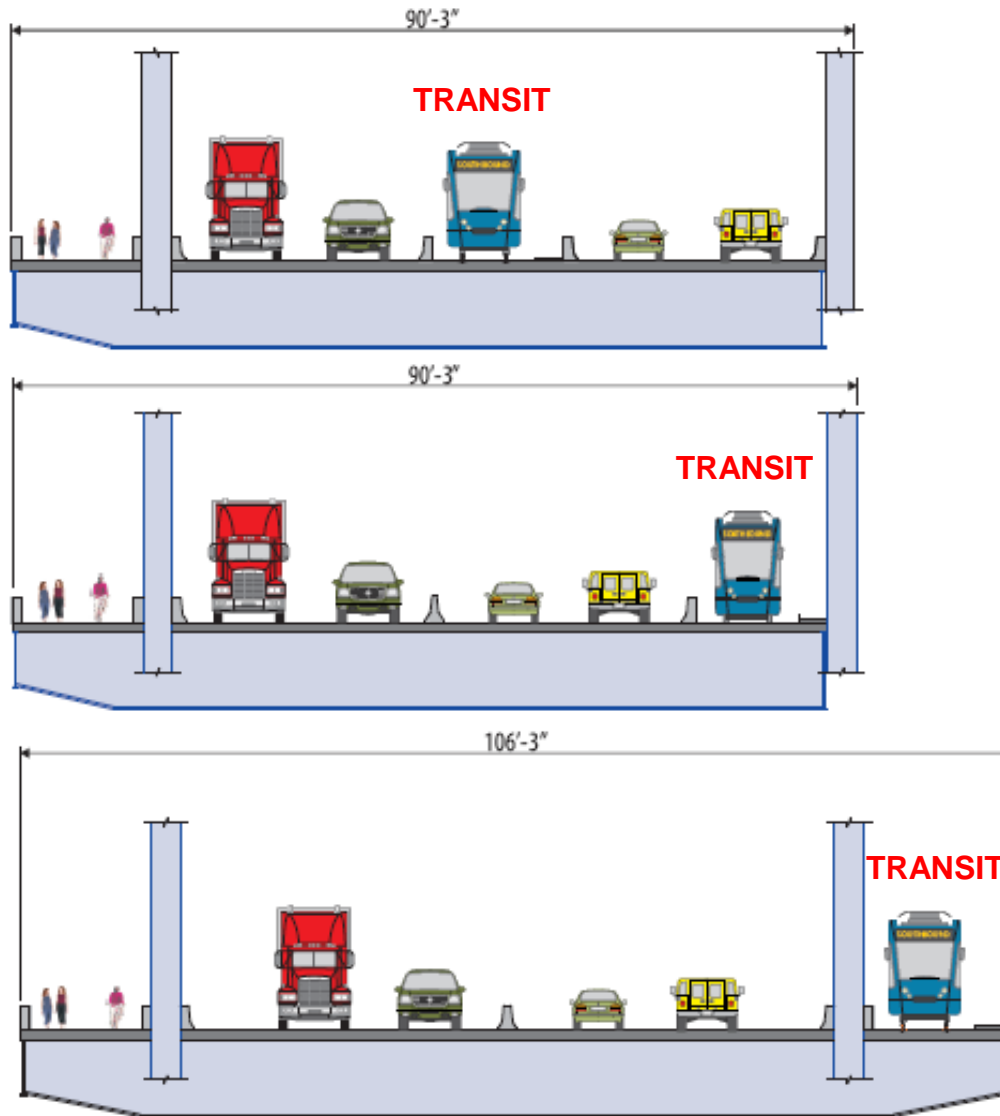


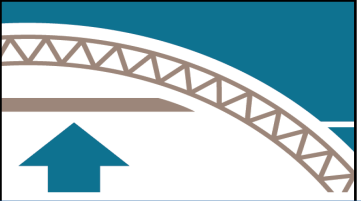
**PROPOSED ROADWAY (4 - 12 FOOT LANES, PARTIAL SHOULDERS, 12 FOOT WALKWAY/BIKEWAY)**





# Roadway Design - Future Transit Options





# Bayonne Bridge Interagency Coordination & Regulatory Review Process

**Approximately 50 permits from  
20 different Agencies**

## **Federal**

- US Army Corp of Engineers
- US Coast Guard
- US Fish and Wildlife Service
- Marine Fisheries Service
- Amer Council on Historic Preservation
- US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

## **State of New York**

- NYS Dept of Environmental Conservation
- NYS Dept of State
- NYS Dept of Transportation
- State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO)
- Utility Relocation / Coordination

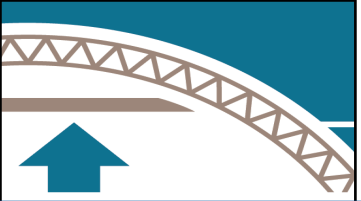
## **State of New Jersey**

- NJ Dept of Environmental Protection
- NJ Dept of Transportation
- State Historic Preservation Officer
- Utility Coordination

## **Local / Municipal**

- City of Bayonne
- County of Hudson
- Hudson County Sheriff's Office
- NY / NJ Elected Officials
- NYC Dept of Environmental Protection
- NYC DOB
- NYC Dept of Transportation
- NYC Transit Authority

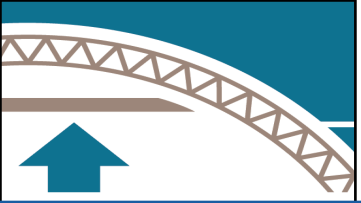




## *Program Timeline*

- **March 2008** – US Army Corps of Engineers initiates National Cost Benefit Analysis ( Federal Funding Potential )
- **August 2009** – PA Initiates Conceptual Planning and Engineering
- **December 2010** – PA selects “Raise the Roadway” Alternative
- **Nov 2011** – Complete Preliminary Engineering Design (Joint Venture – HDR/PB)
- **August 2011** – NEPA Environmental Review Initiated (USCG Lead Fed’l Agency)
- **April 2012** – Contractor Pre Qualification (RTQ) Solicitation Outreach Meeting
- **July 2012** – Announce Pre Qualified Construction Contractor Teams
- **December 2012** – Complete Final Engineering Design
- **Q2 2013** – Complete Environmental Review and Permits
- **Q2 2013** – Award Bayonne Construction Contract: Skanska-Koch Kiewit
- **2016 – Remove Navigational Clearance Obstruction**
- **2018** – Complete Construction





# Environmental, Regulatory, and Community Issues - Overview

## Traffic - Roadway Closures - Parking

## Hazardous Materials

- 1st Street (Williams Industries) Site Remediation

## Noise \*

- Compliance with Noise Code (day; night; weekend limits)

## Air Quality \*

- 3 Tiered Dust / Air Monitoring Program –
  - ✓ Regional Air Quality,
  - ✓ Areas with Known Contaminants (Lead/Arsenic),
  - ✓ Perimeter Monitoring
- Dust Trackers
- Real Time Investigation and Incident Reports

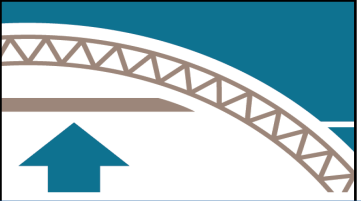
## Community Assistance Program

- Window Replacement Program
- Temporary Hotel Program

## NY / NJ Outreach Office / 800 Hot Line

\* Air and noise monitoring exceeds all Federal requirements





## ***Alternatives Reviews and Analysis - Arch***

### ***41 Options Considered Including:***

- ***Raise the Roadway***
- ***Jack the Arch***
- ***New Bridge***
- ***New Tunnel***
- ***Ferry Service (Vehicular/Passenger)***
- ***Remove the (Historic) Bridge***



***JACK THE ARCH OPTION***





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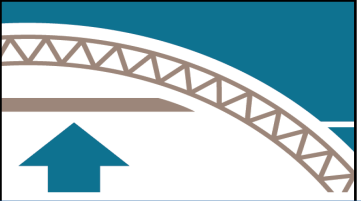
*New Bridge Option*





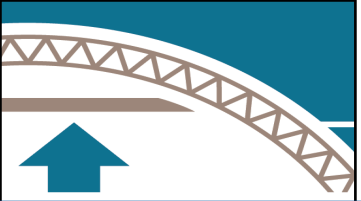
# *Raise the Roadway* *Rehabilitate, Retrofit, and Reuse - Arch*





# Construction Work Zone Overview

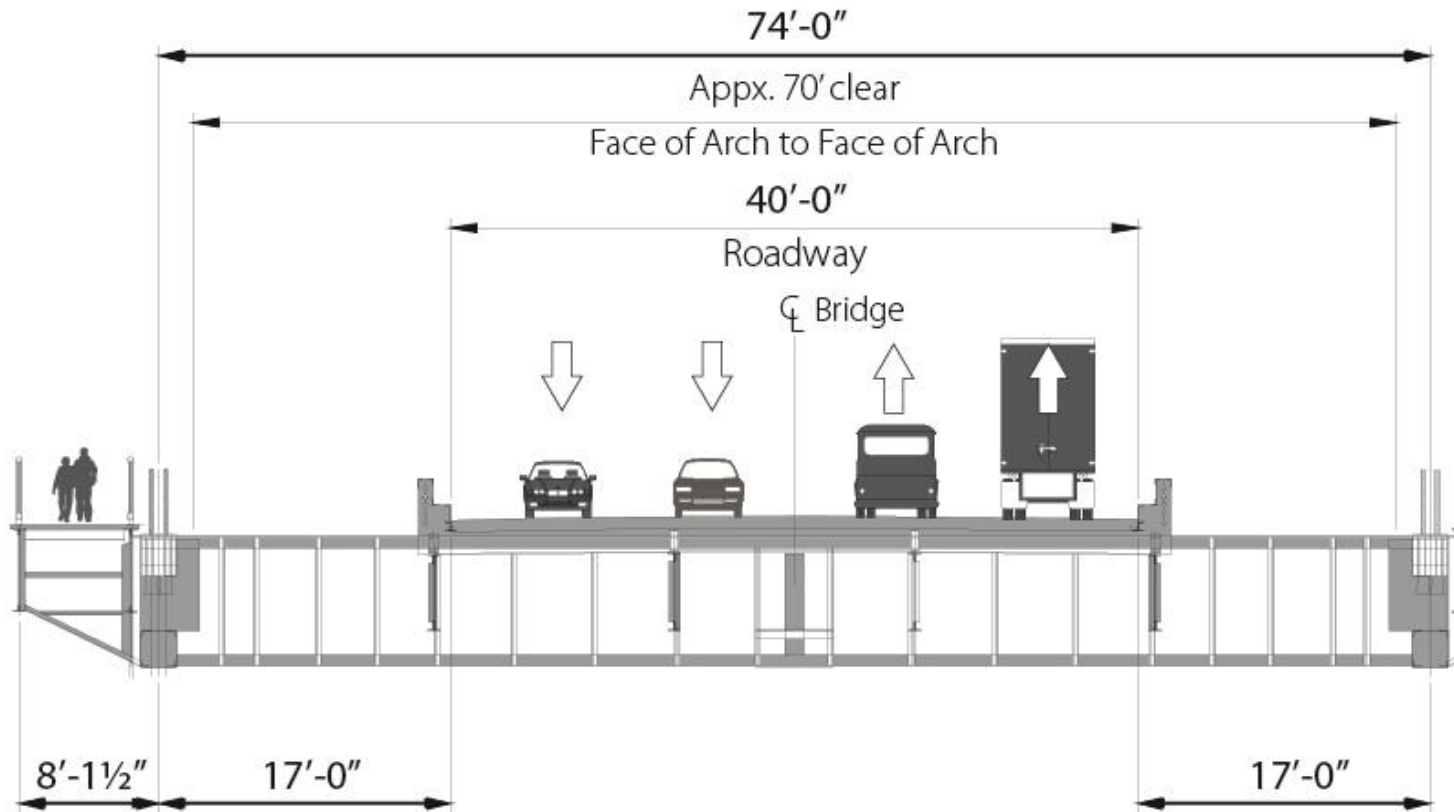




# Construction Staging – Main Span

Arch Span – Existing  
View Looking North

 Demolition/Prep  
 Construction



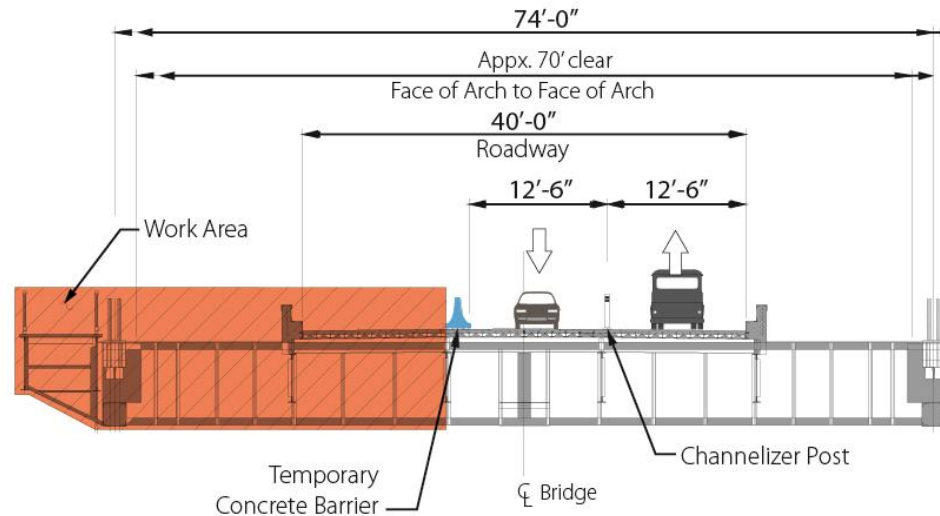


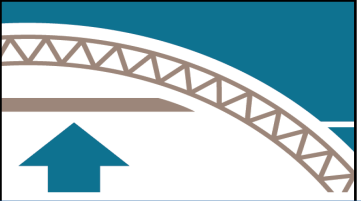


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Arch Span - Stage 1 ( Adjusted by Contractor)  
View Looking North

 **Demolition/Prep**  
 **Construction**

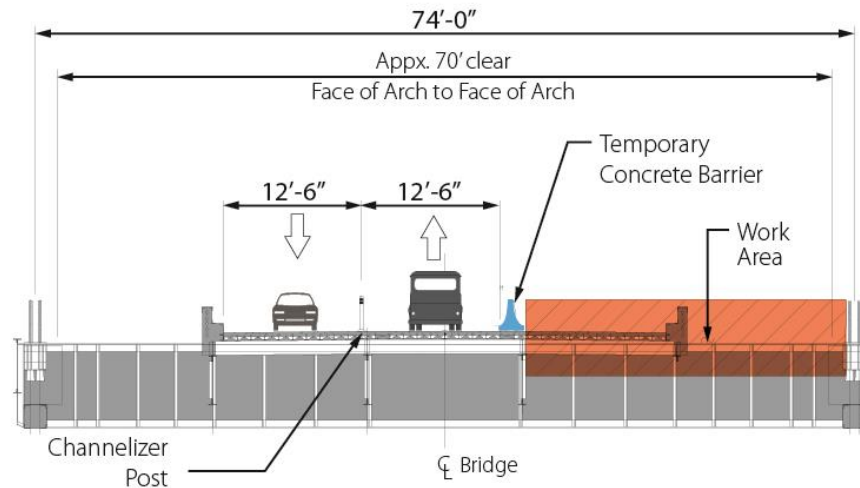


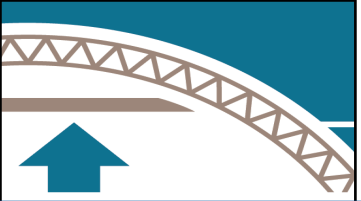


# Construction Staging – Main Span

Arch Span - Stage 2  
View Looking North

 Demolition/Prep  
 Construction

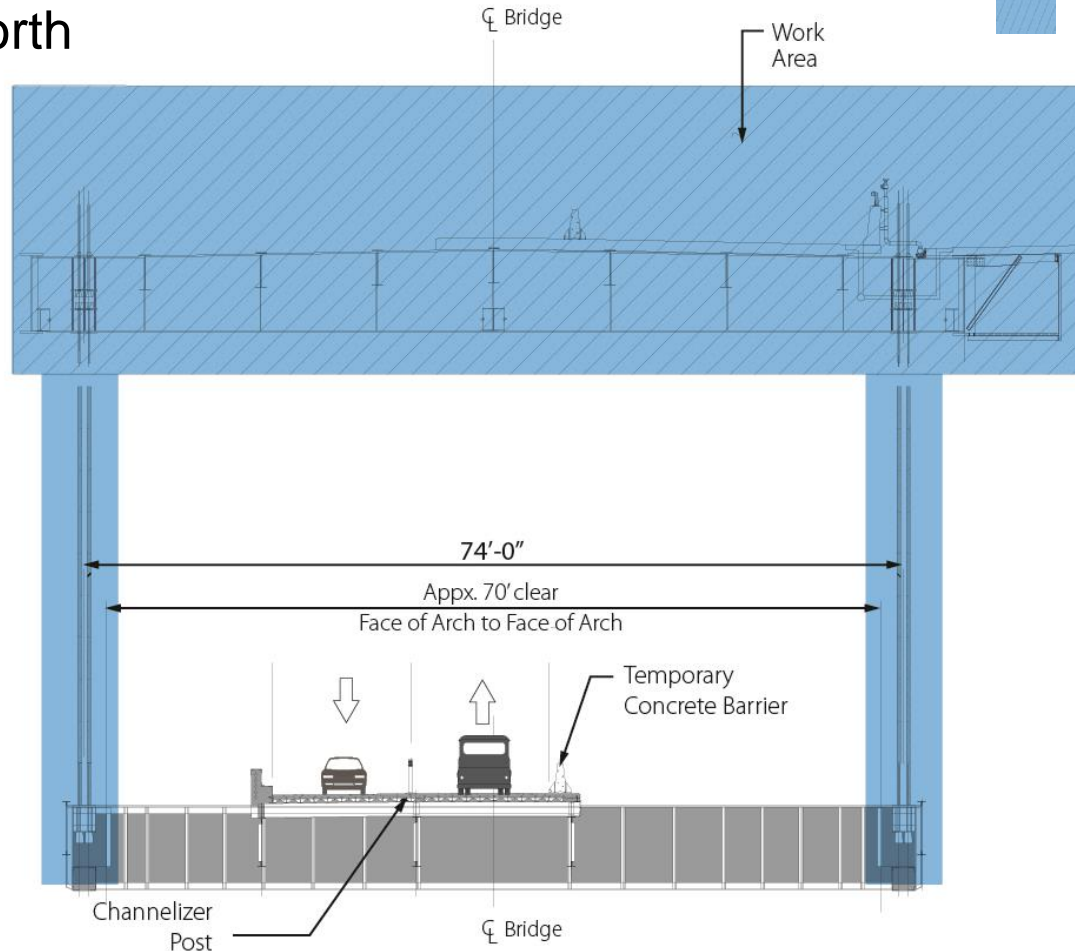




# Construction Staging – Main Span

Arch Span - Stage 3  
View Looking North

 **Demolition/Prep**  
 **Construction**



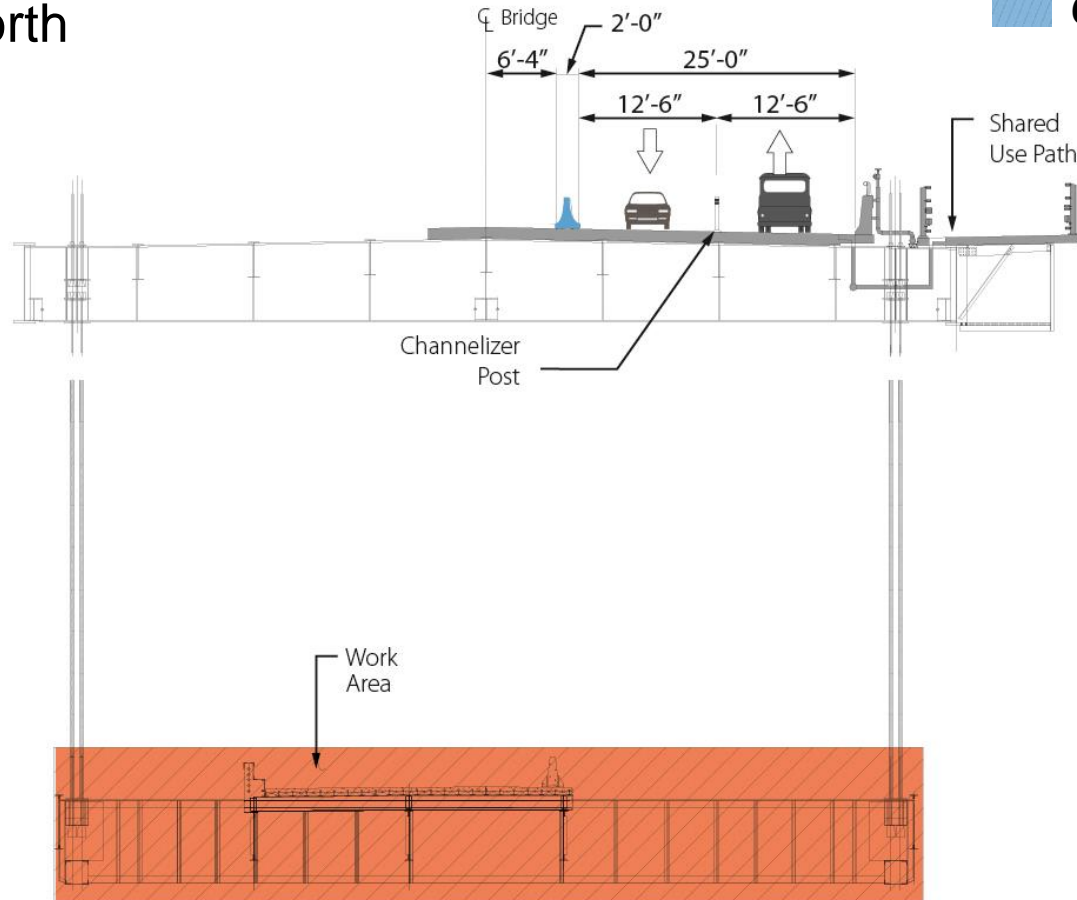


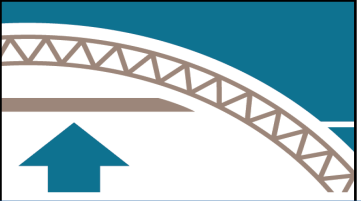


# Construction Staging – Main Span

Arch Span - Stage 4  
View Looking North

 Demolition/Prep  
 Construction

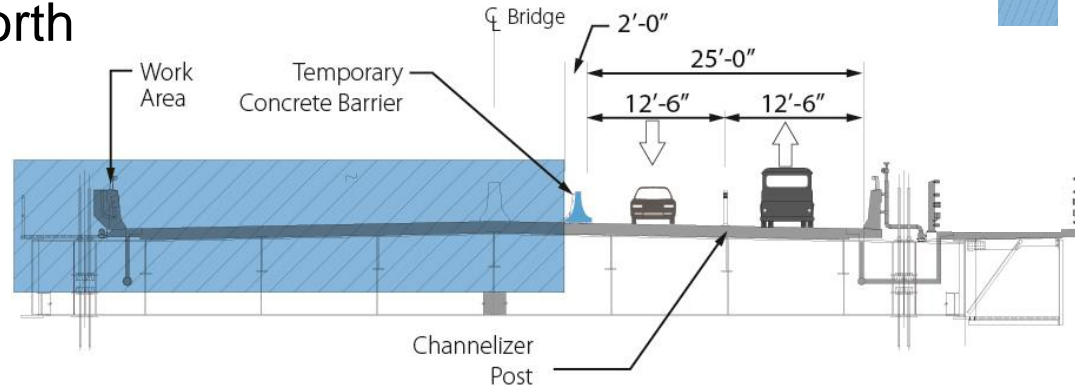


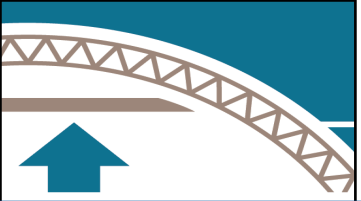


# Construction Staging – Main Span

Arch Span - Stage 5  
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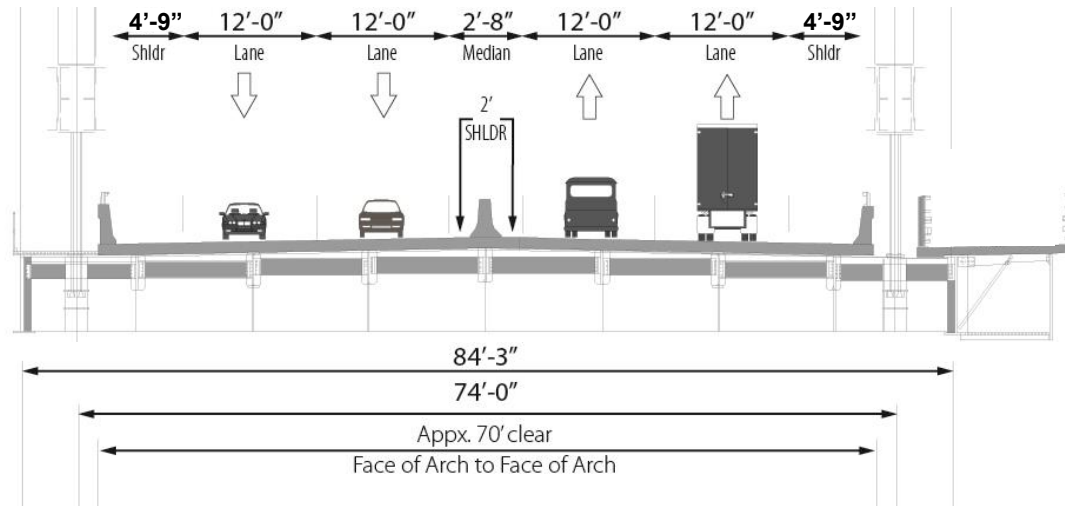
 Demolition/Prep  
 Construction





# Construction Staging – Main Span

-  Demolition/Prep
-  Construction



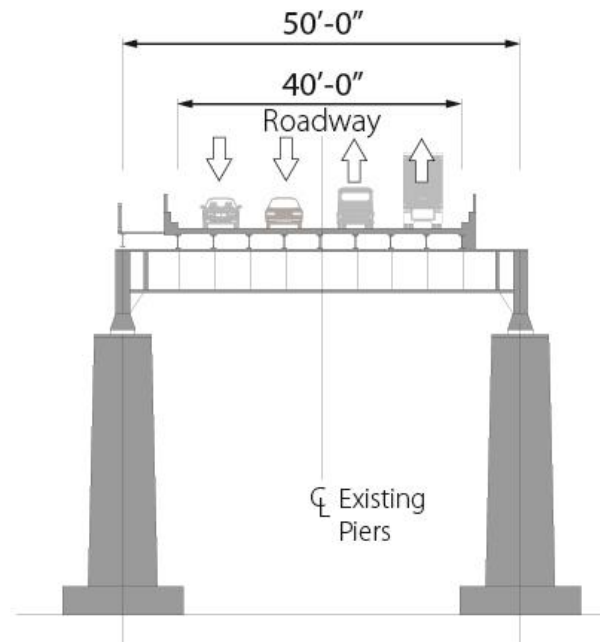


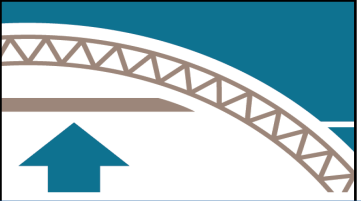


# Construction Staging – Approach Structure

-  Demolition/Prep
-  Construction

Approach Structure  
View Looking North

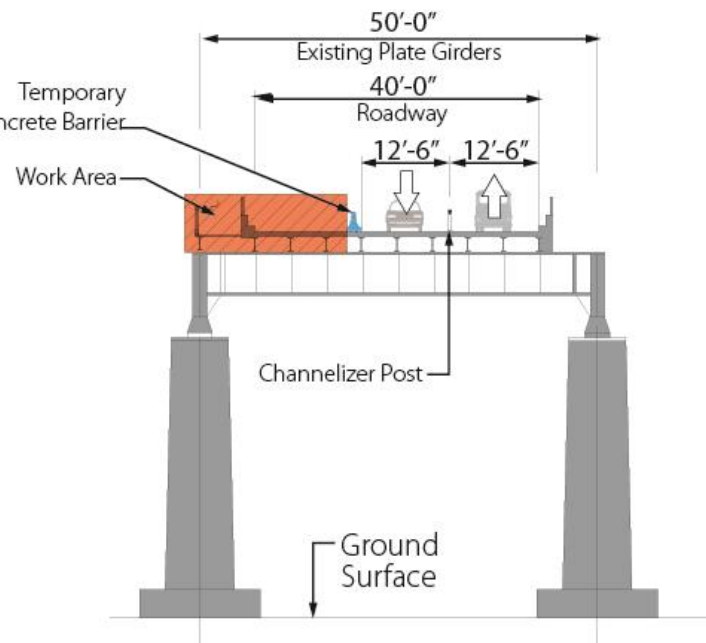


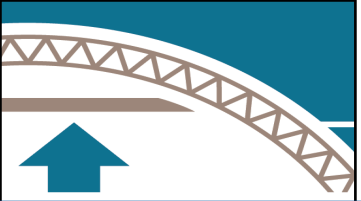


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Approach Structure  
Stage 1  
View Looking North

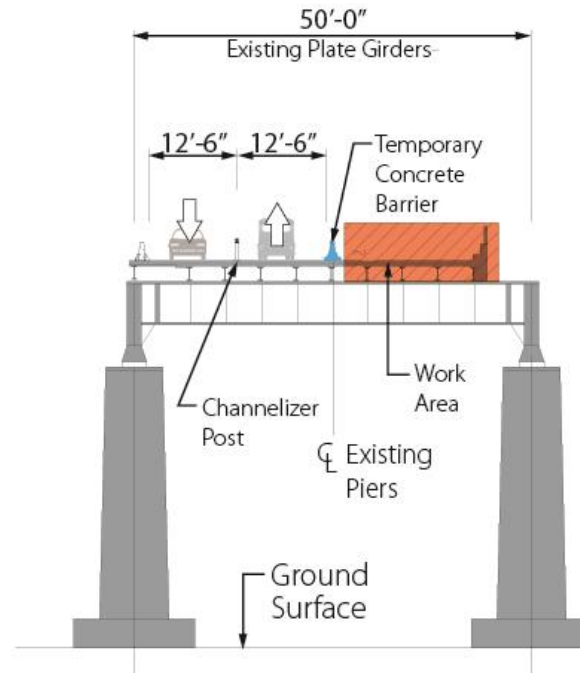




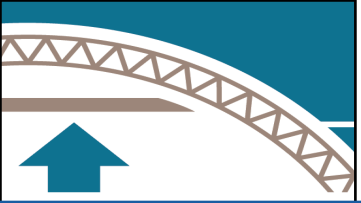
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Approach Structure  
Stage 2  
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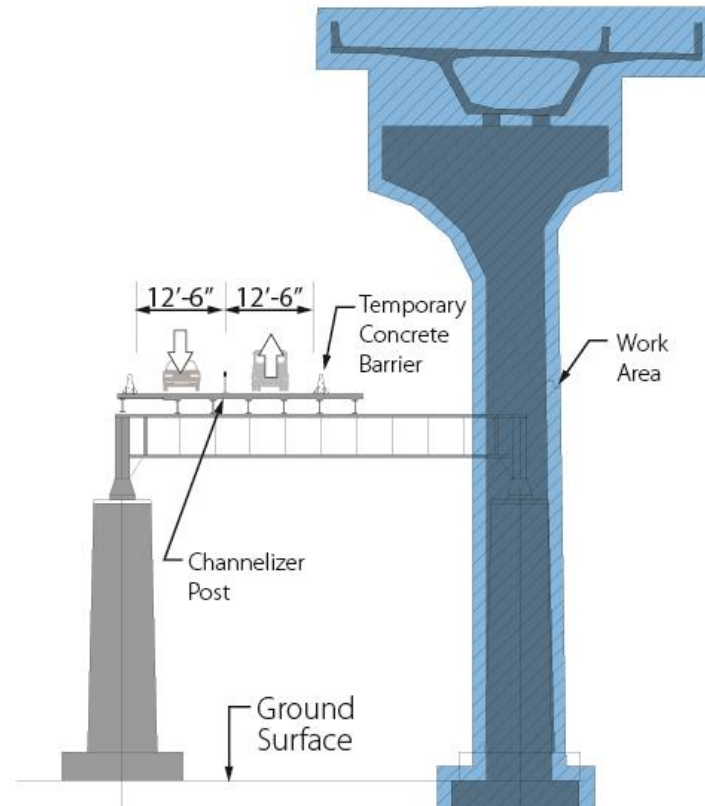


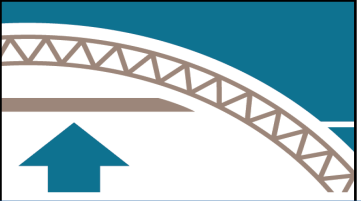


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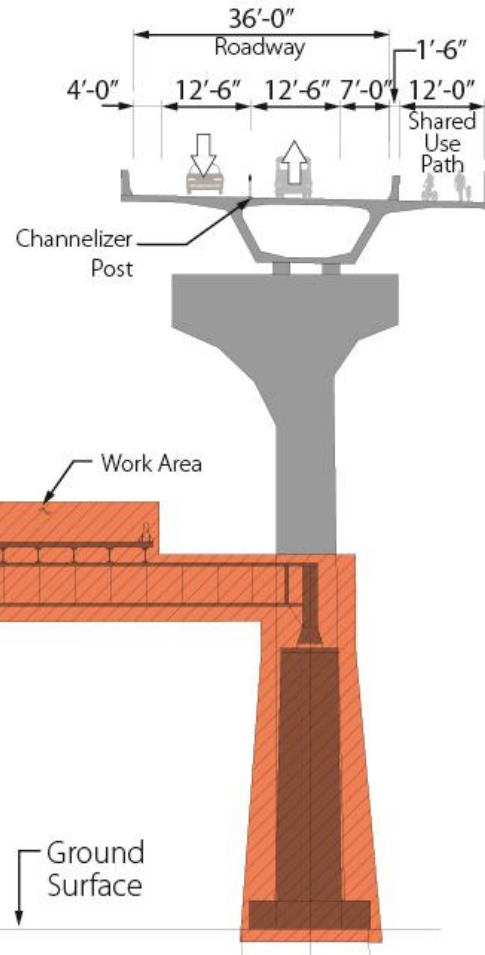
Approach Structure  
Stage 3  
View Looking North



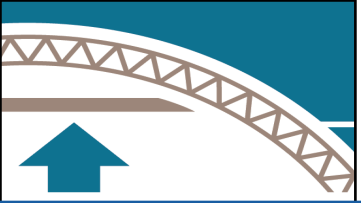


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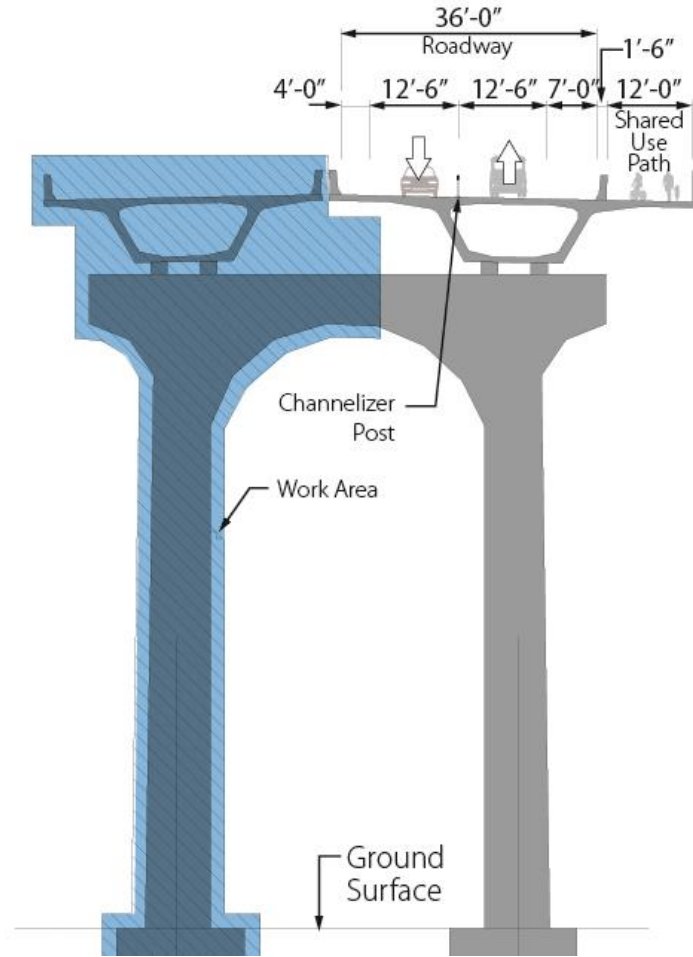


Approach Structure  
Stage 4  
View Looking North



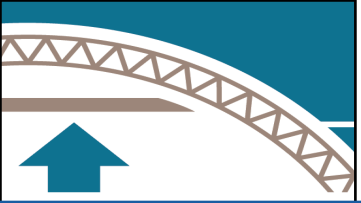
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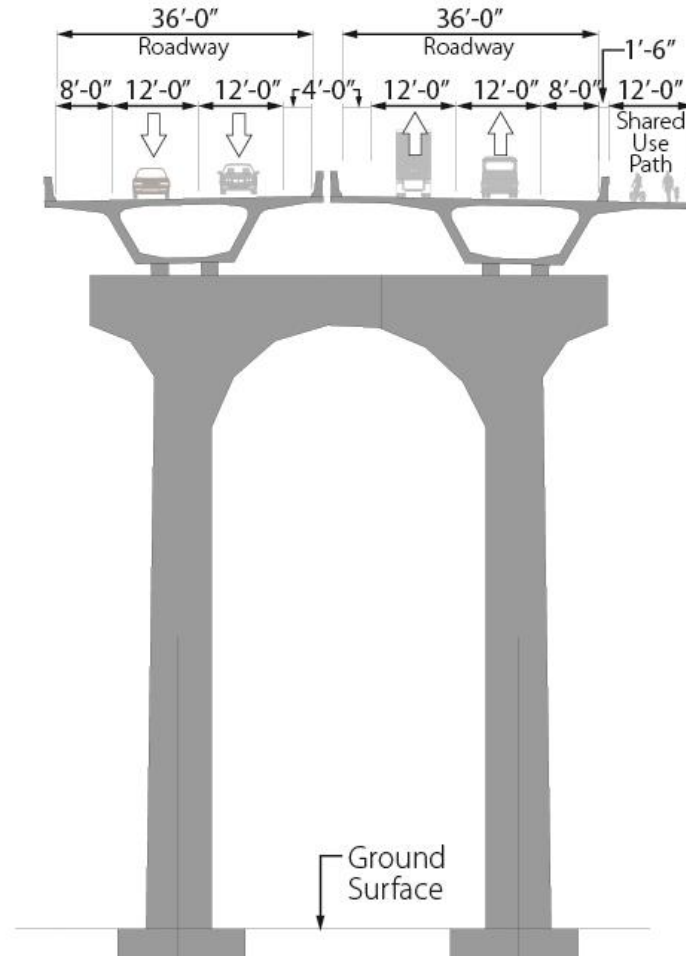
Approach Structure  
Stage 5  
View Looking North





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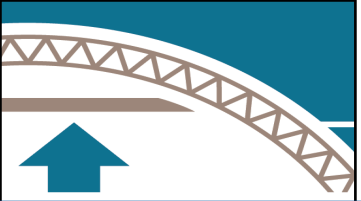


Approach Structure  
Final  
View Looking North



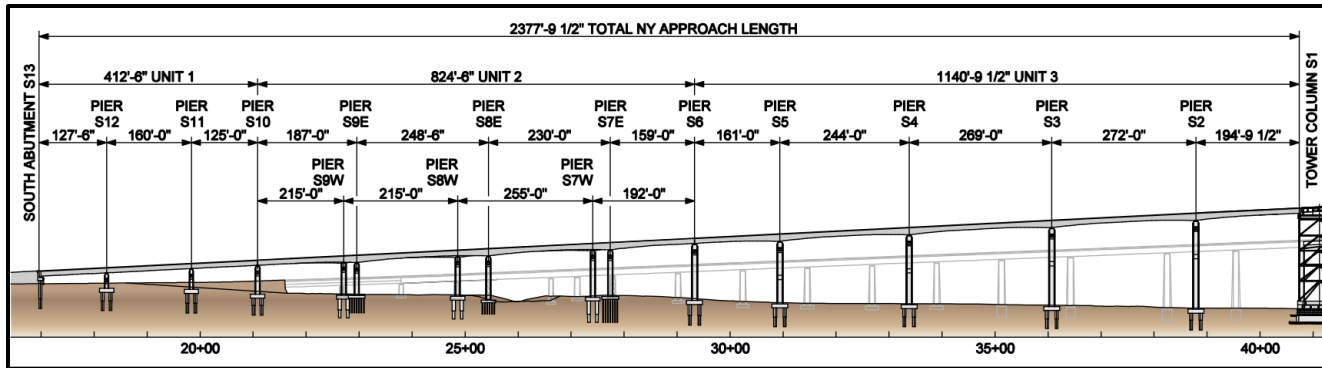
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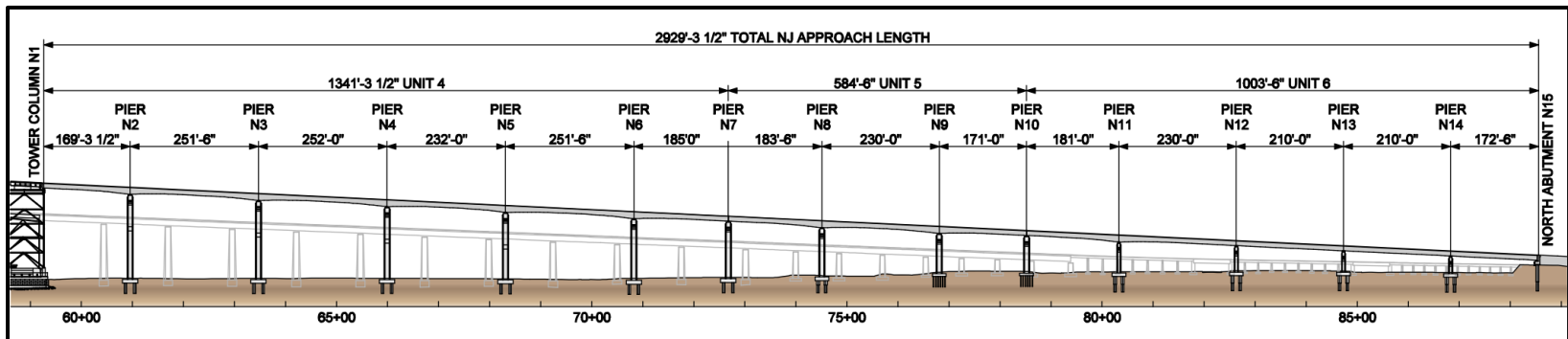


# Approach Structures: Articulation/Pier Fixity

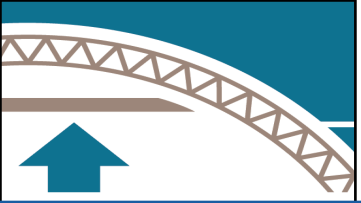
New York (12 spans, 272' max, 125' min)



New Jersey (14 spans, 252' max, 171' min)

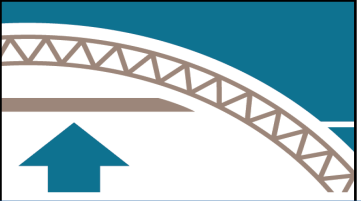




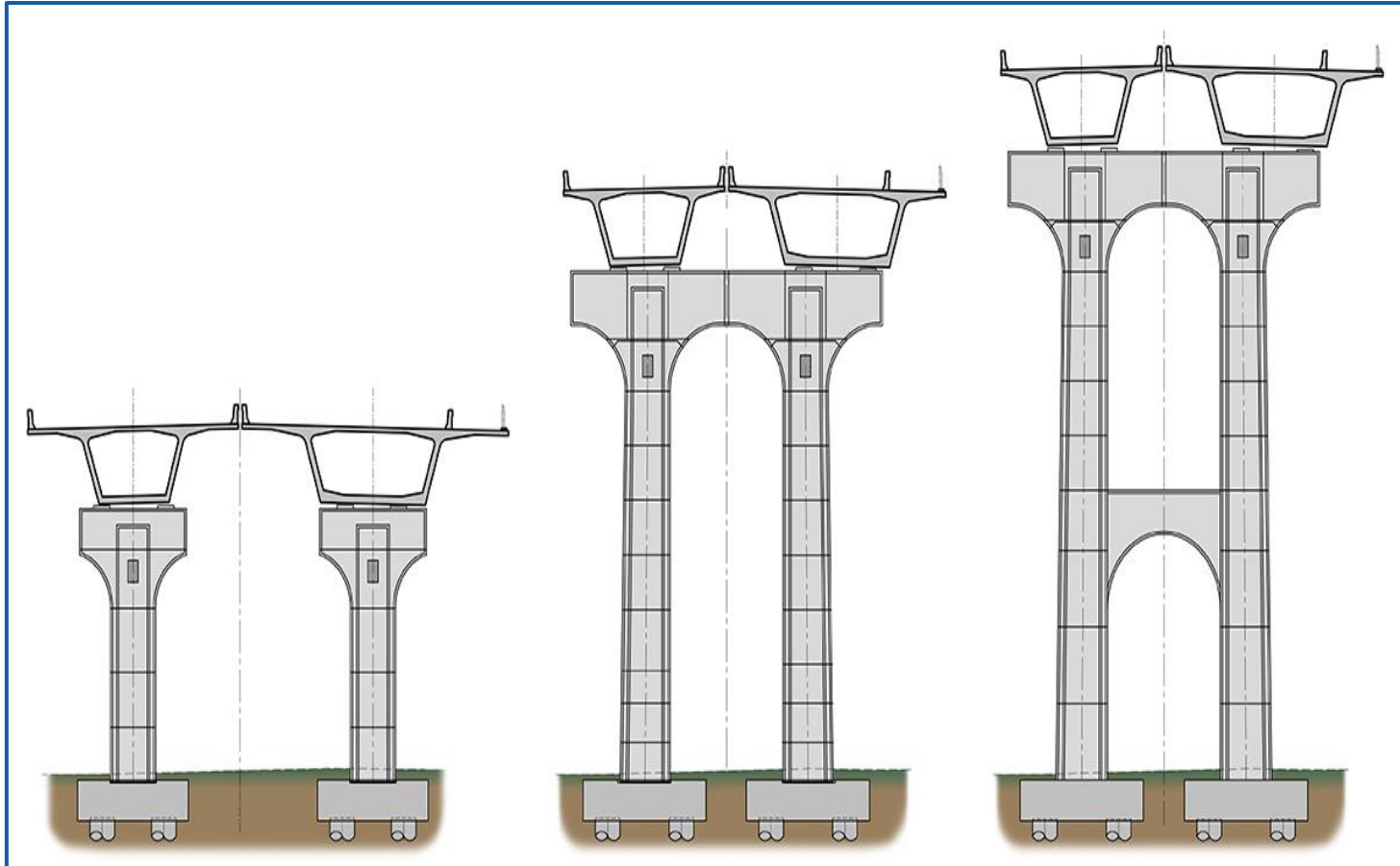


## *Full Replacement of Approach Structures*





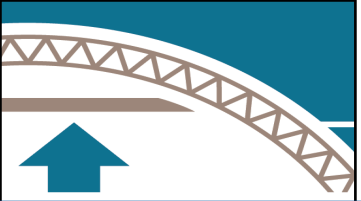
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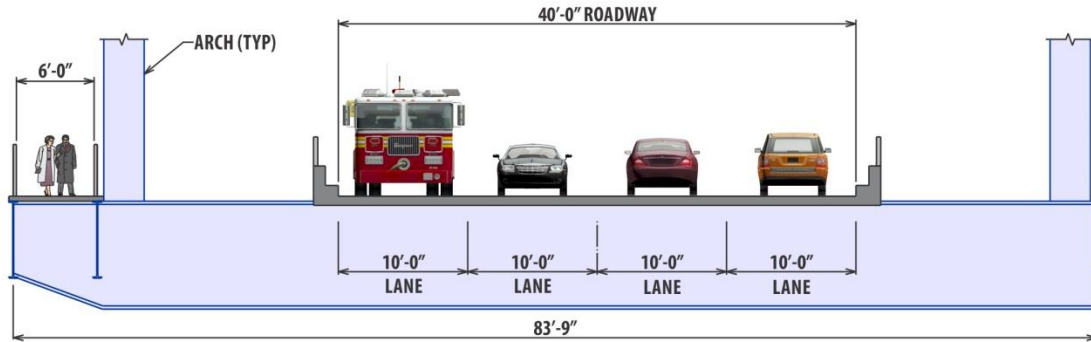
Single Pier

Combined Pier

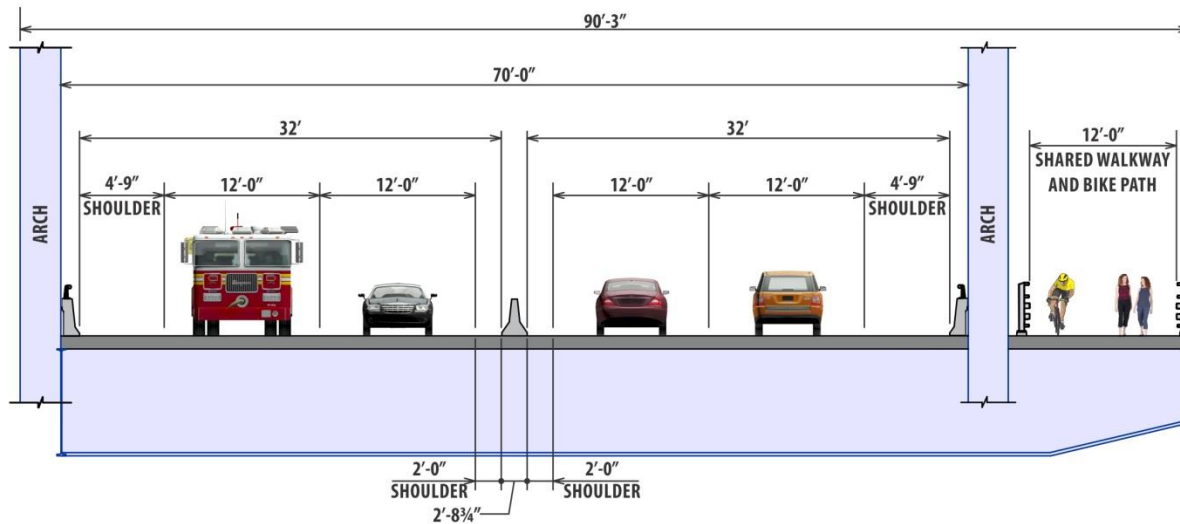
Tall Pier



# Main Span Roadway Looking North

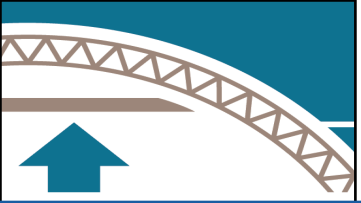


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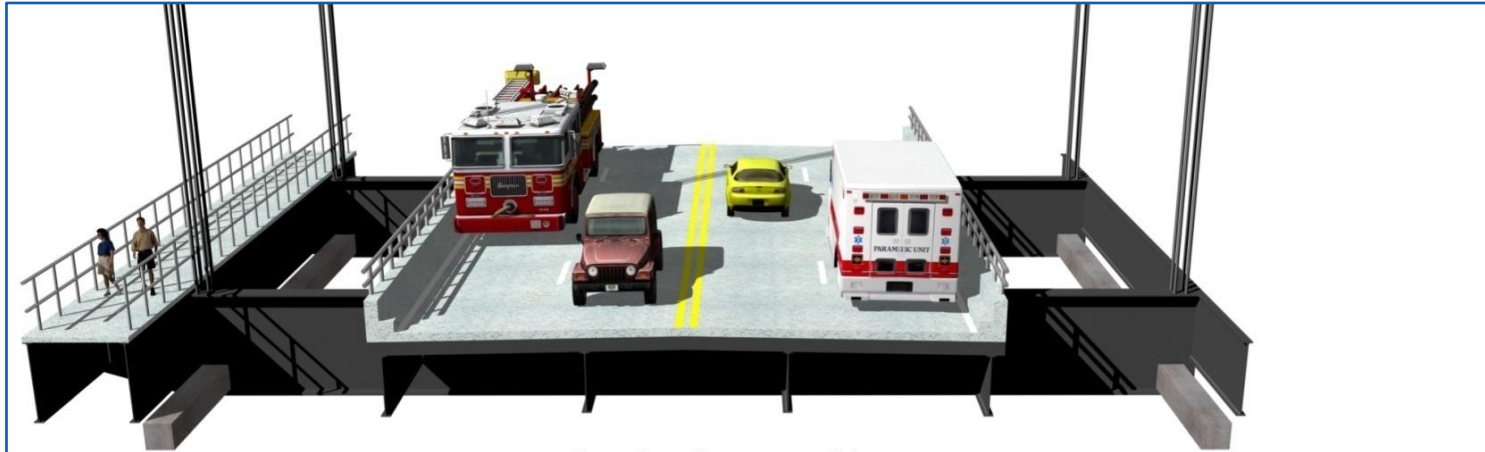


**PROPOSED ROADWAY (4 - 12 FOOT LANES, PARTIAL SHOULDERS, 12 FOOT WALKWAY/BIKEWAY)**

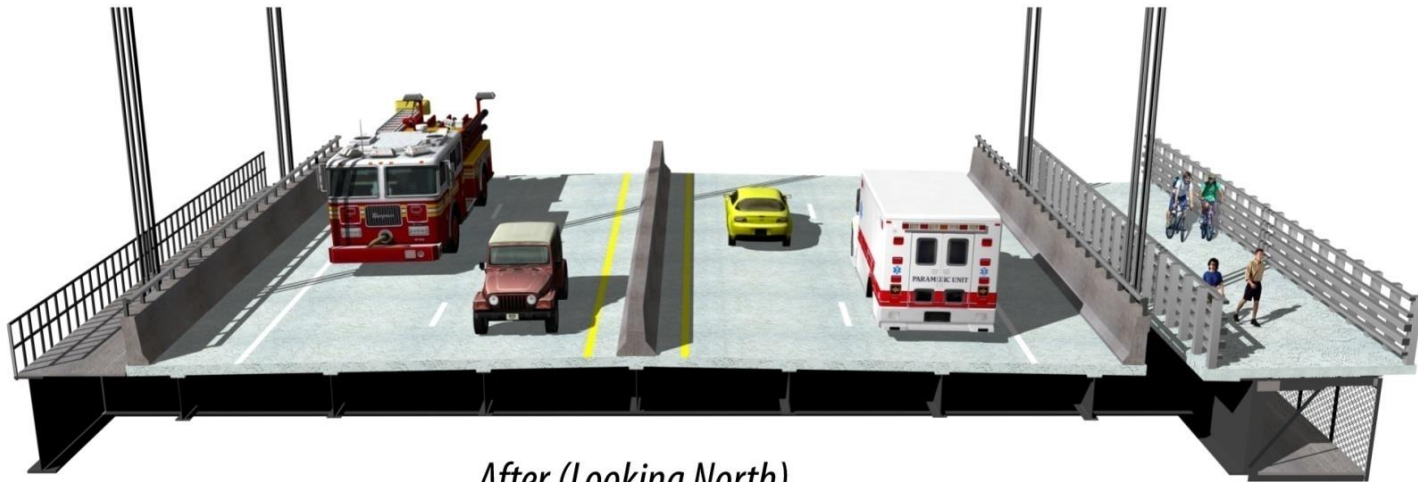




# Existing & New Arch Floor System



*Before (Looking North)*



*After (Looking North)*

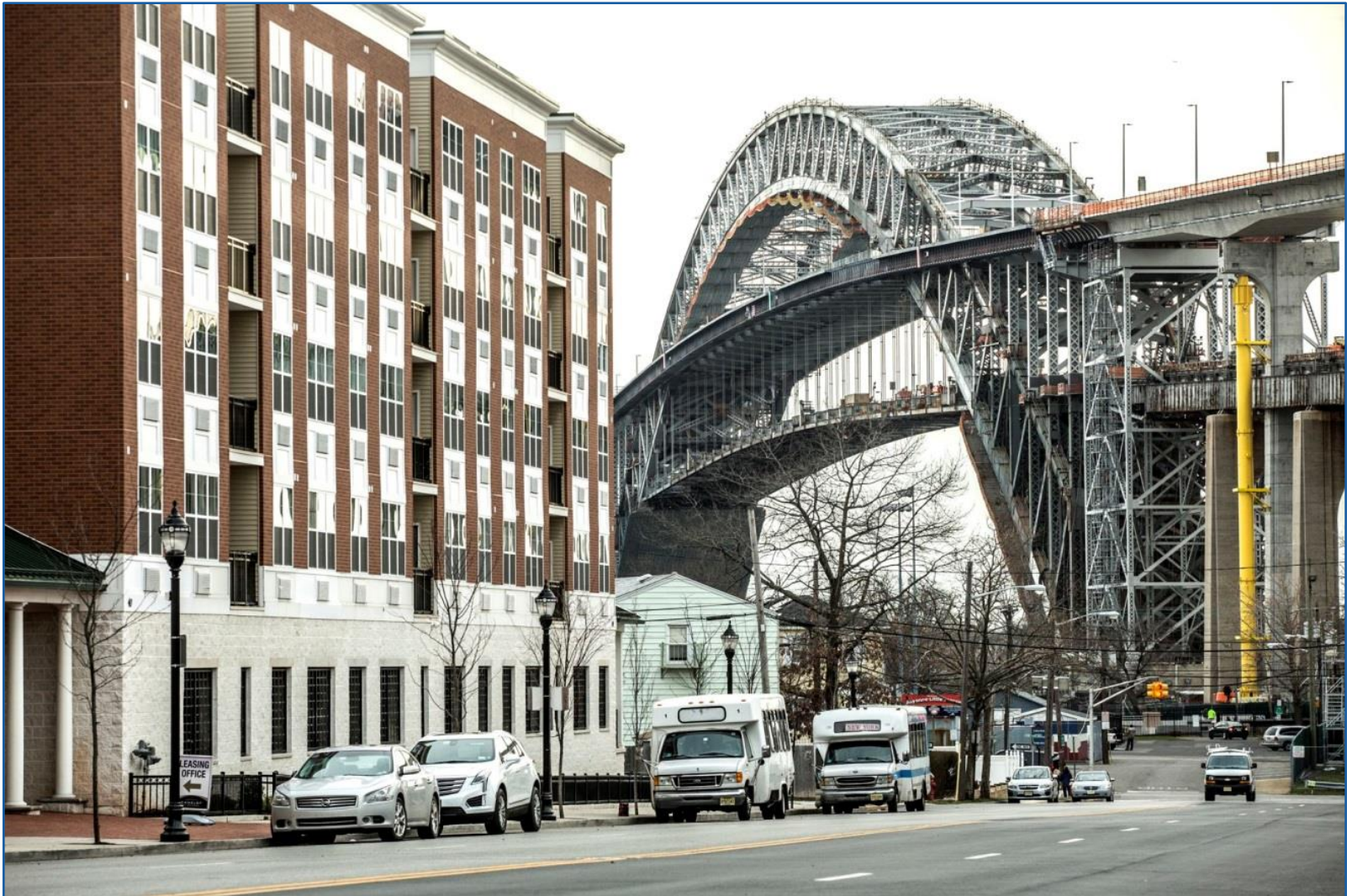
# *Construction Status: NB Lanes (2) Opened February 2017*







# Construction





**September 7, 2017**  
**14,400 TEUs vs. 5,000 TEUs**



*Vessel Height at 185 feet (actual)*





*The End*

