



Marion/Wareham Bridge Replacement (US 6) Over the Weweantic River

*Design-Build Project in Marion
and Wareham*

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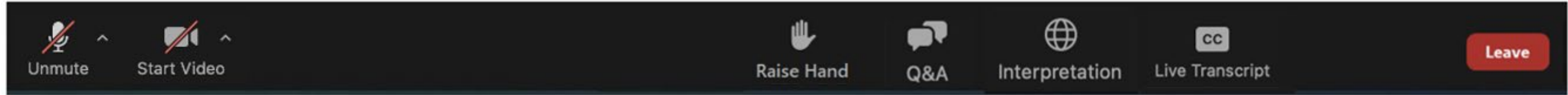
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Agenda

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- 02** Project Overview
- 03** Construction Approach
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- 05** Project Benefits
- 06** Question & Answer



Project Team

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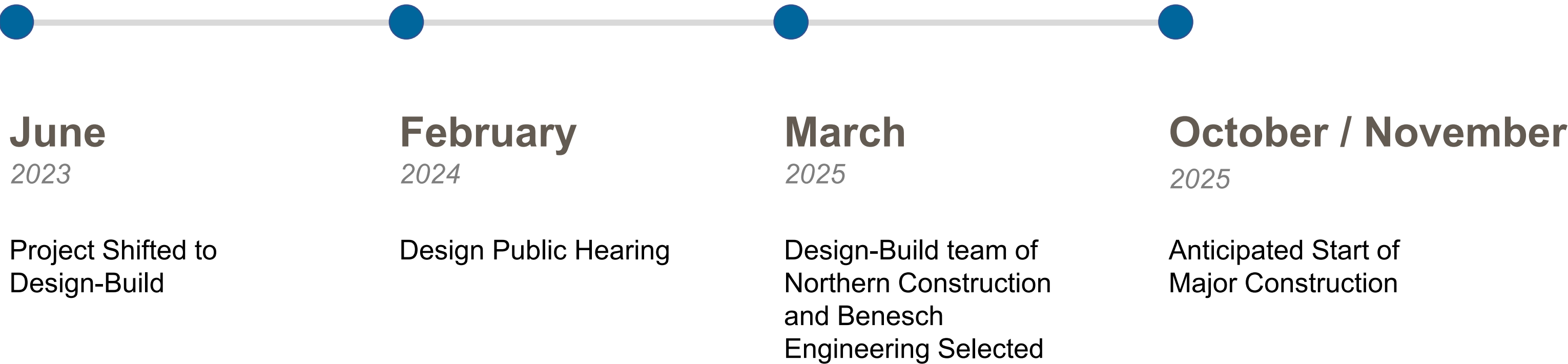
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Regina Villa Associates – Public Outreach – Sarah Paritsky and Sarah Zeiberg

Project Limits



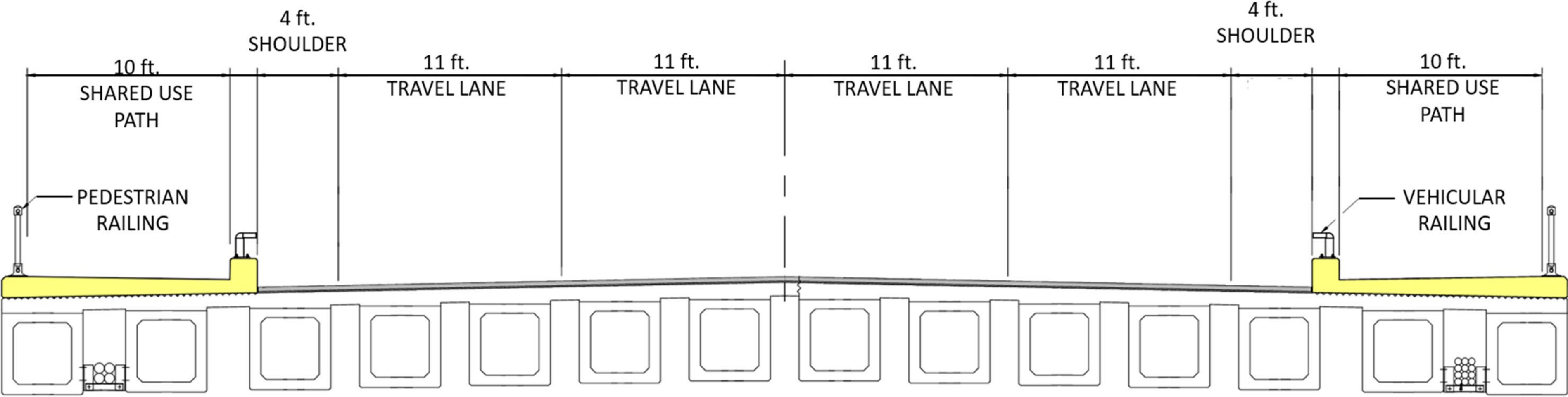
How did we get here?



Project Overview

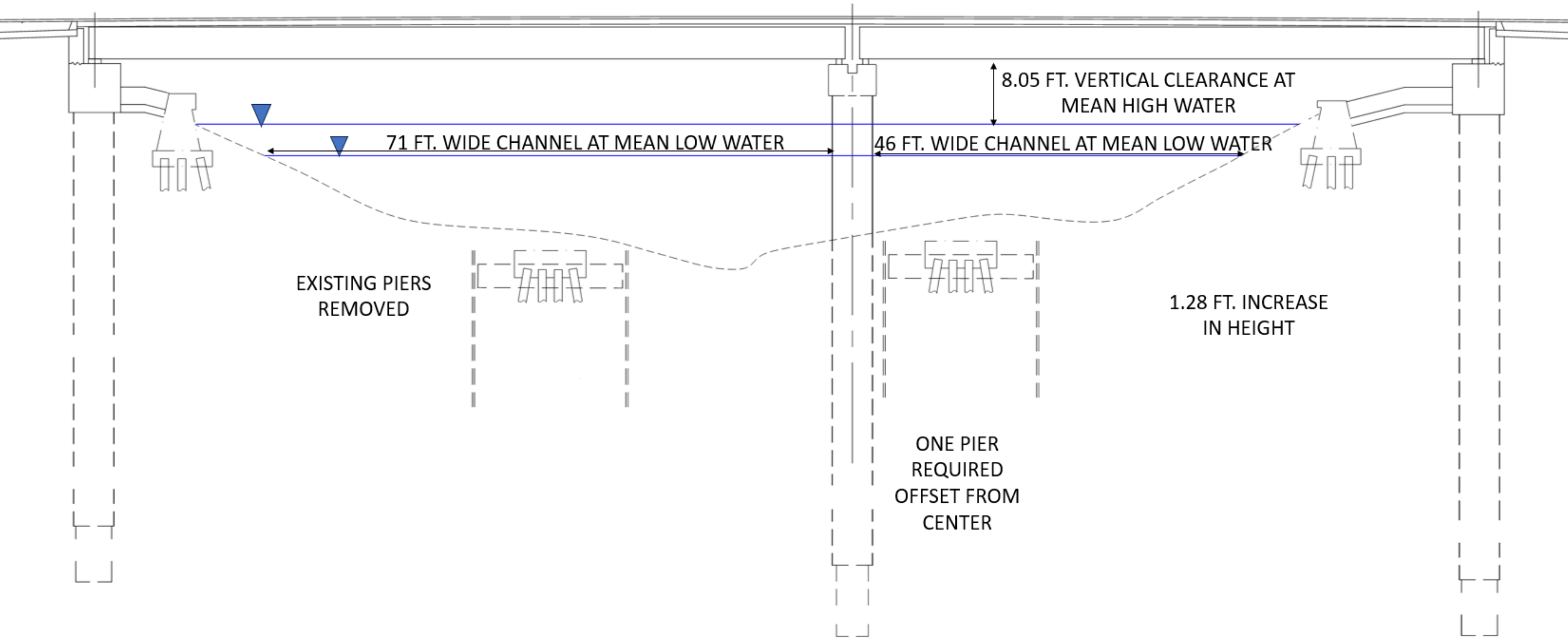
- Full replacement of two bridges located in Marion and Wareham
 - Both on Route 6 (Marion Road & Wareham Road) over the Weweantic River.
- The project will include roadway widening to accommodate:
 - Two 11' travel lanes in each direction
 - 4' shoulders
 - 10' Shared Use Path on each side of Route 6

What Are We Building?

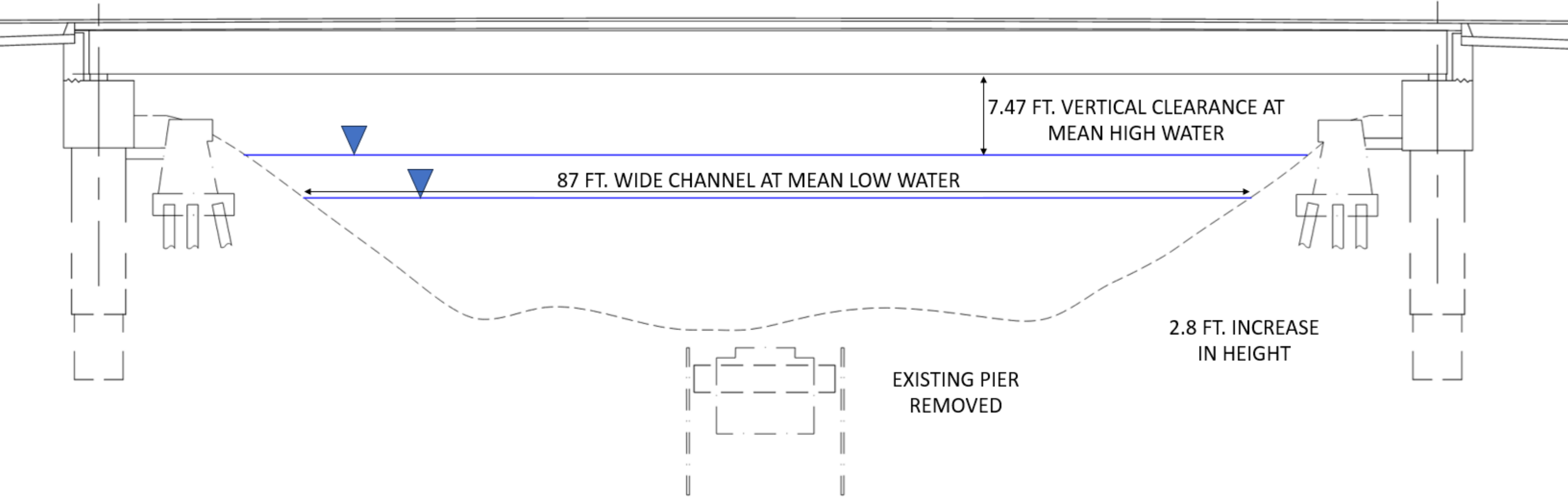


Typical Bridge Cross Section

Wareham Bridge – Designed Channel Opening



Marion – Wareham Bridge – Designed Channel Opening



Construction Approach

Design-Build:

- This project will be delivered using a Design-Build approach, which allows the contractor to advance design and construction concurrently. This method can shorten overall project delivery, encourage innovation, and adapt the construction plan to site conditions as work progresses.

Phased Construction Allowing For Continuous Roadway and Marina Access

- Work zones will be staged in multiple phases across the bridge to maintain operations during construction. This approach will:
 - **Keep at least one lane open in each direction on Route 6 at all times.**
 - **Preserve full marina access throughout the project.**

Design in Progress

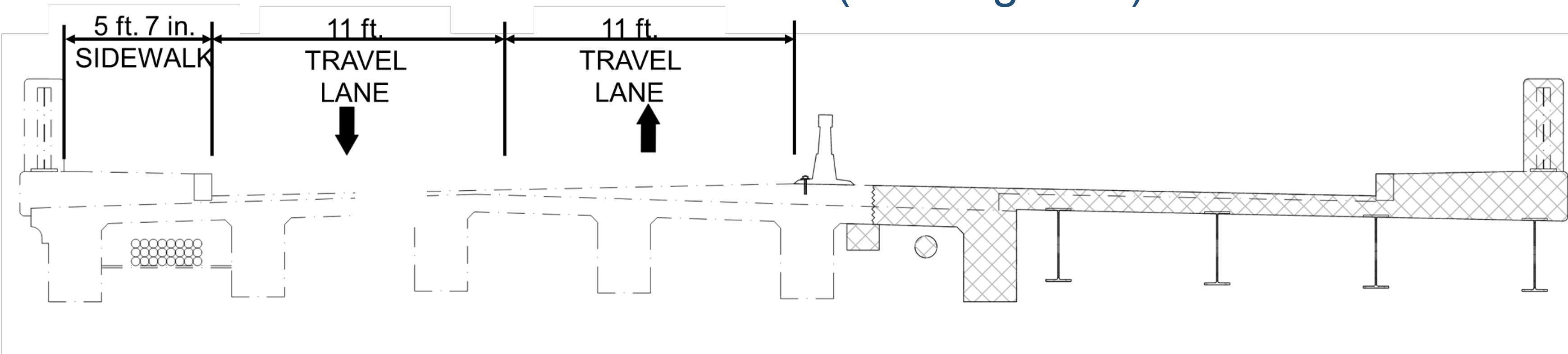
- The exact means and methods will be determined once design advances and the contractor finalizes the construction schedule.

Construction and Traffic Impacts

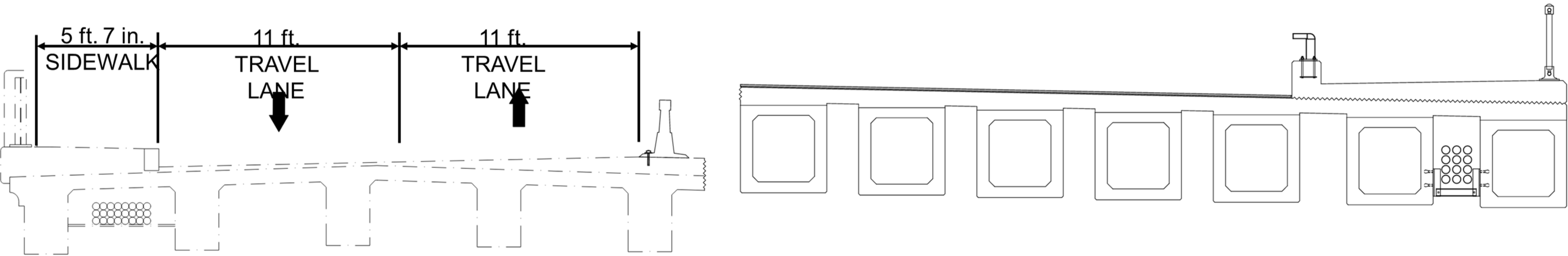
- Typical work hours is **7:00 AM to 3:30 PM, Monday-Friday**
- One lane of travel will always be maintained in each direction on Route 6
- Marina access will be maintained throughout construction
- Traffic shifts and changes will be communicated in advance
- The next scheduled lane closures will be in **Fall – Winter 2025**

How will we build new bridges and not have a long-term detour?

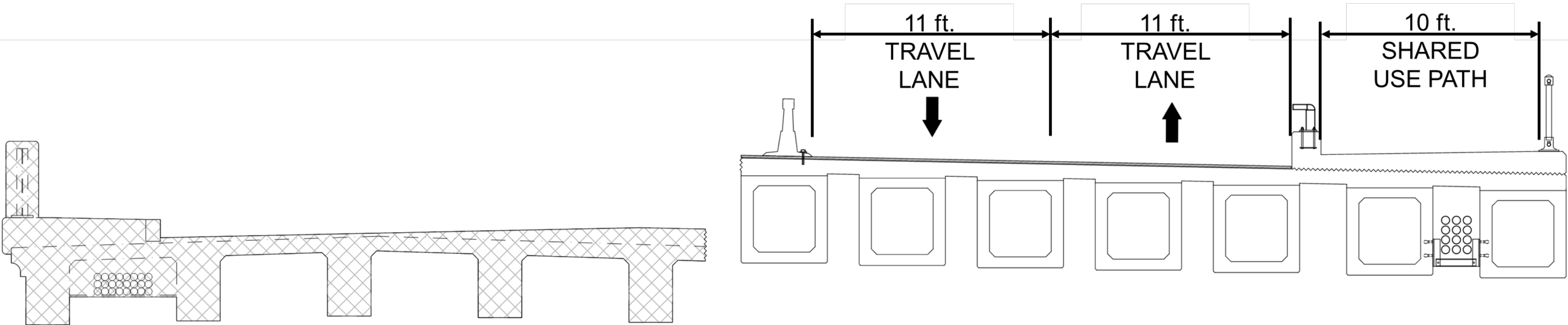
Phase 1 Demolition (Looking East)



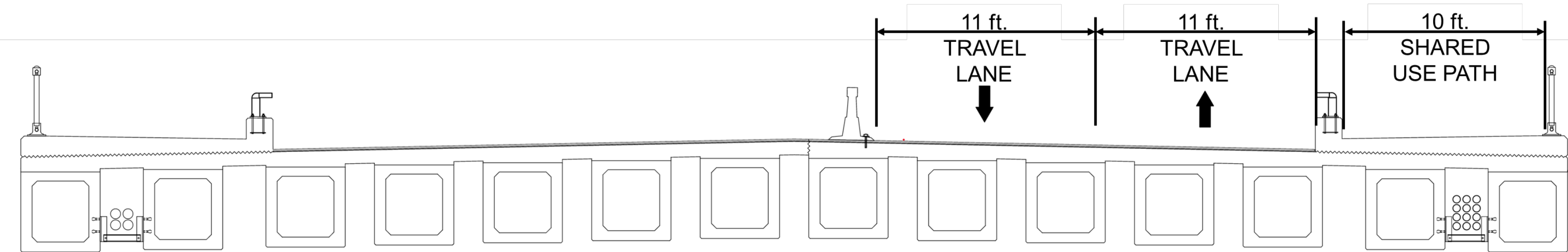
Phase 1 Construction (Looking East)



Stage 2 Demolition (Looking East)



Stage 3 Construction (Looking East)



Minimizing Construction Impacts

Plans in place to reduce the impacts for nearby residents and businesses:

- **Noise Control Plan:** Strategies to reduce construction noise, including equipment muffling, limited nighttime work, and sound reduction measures where needed.
- **Dust Control Plan:** Measures such as water spraying and covered materials to keep dust to a minimum.
- **Pest Control Plan:** Proactive steps to prevent pests from being displaced into surrounding areas during construction.

Environmental and Ecological Protections

We are committed to preserving the unique habitats and species in this area. Construction will follow strict seasonal guidelines to minimize environmental impact:

- **Protecting Bats:** No tree cutting during the Northern Long-Eared Bat's active season to safeguard roosting and feeding.
- **Protecting Water Quality:** Turbidity-producing work (activities that could disturb sediment in the water) will only occur between mid-summer and mid-winter when it's least disruptive.
- **Protecting Turtles:** Turtle exclusion fencing will be installed during winter to keep turtles safe from construction zones.
- **Flood Contingency Plan:** Prepared contingencies and protocols to prevent and respond to any flooding events during construction.
- **Sedimentation and Erosion Control Plan:** Measures in place to prevent soil erosion and protect nearby waterways from sediment runoff.

Current Project Schedule





**Marion-Wareham
Bridge**



Wareham Bridge

Project Benefits

- **Safety:** The bridge structures and roadway will be up to current standards with shoulders and improved span arrangement.
- **Multi-Modal:** New shared use path that provides pedestrian and cyclist safe accommodations.
- **Resiliency:** Raise the bridge to account for anticipated sea level rise.

How to reach us

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Questions & Answers



Thank You

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