



Pierre-Fort Pierre Bridge Newsletter

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Bridge Project Update

Progress on the new bridge continues as we enter the latter days of May and look towards the upcoming summer months. The final deck pours are ongoing, and crews can be seen hard at work on the westbound barrier rail. Also on track is the area separating the eastbound and westbound lanes, where workers have started drilling on the Pierre side in preparation for the raised median. And in addition to the earthwork taking place on the Ft. Pierre side, crews have begun installing storm sewer pipe.



Traffic Update:

During the first week of June 2024, Island Drive in Fort Pierre, between U.S. Highway 14/83 and Hustan Avenue, will be closed for the construction season. Island Drive is being realigned and reconstructed with the Missouri River Bridge replacement project.

Motorists wishing to commute to and from the businesses previously served by Island Drive should utilize the intersection of Highway 14/83 and Yellowstone Street.

Island Drive is anticipated to reopen in the fall of 2024 upon completion of the new Highway 14/83 eastbound lanes of the Missouri River Bridge replacement project.

We remind all motorists, boaters, and pedestrians to stay vigilant throughout the entire construction zone, especially during the warmer seasons!

Keep up to date on photos, videos, and construction progress by visiting <https://www.Pierre-FtPierreBridge.com>.

A barge crane utilized for delivery of concrete, May 17, 2024.

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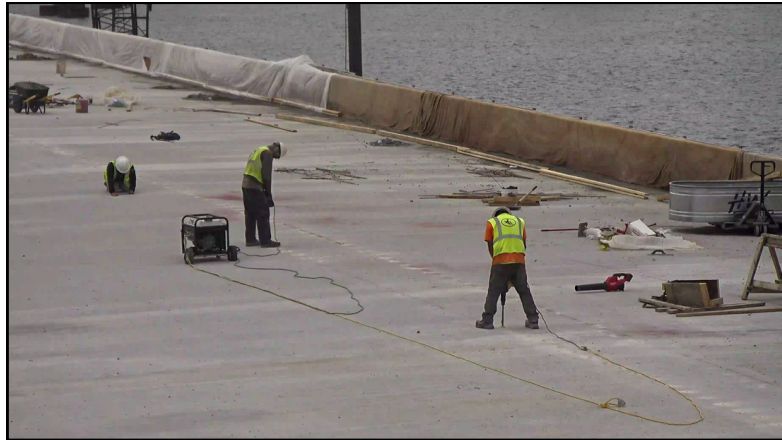


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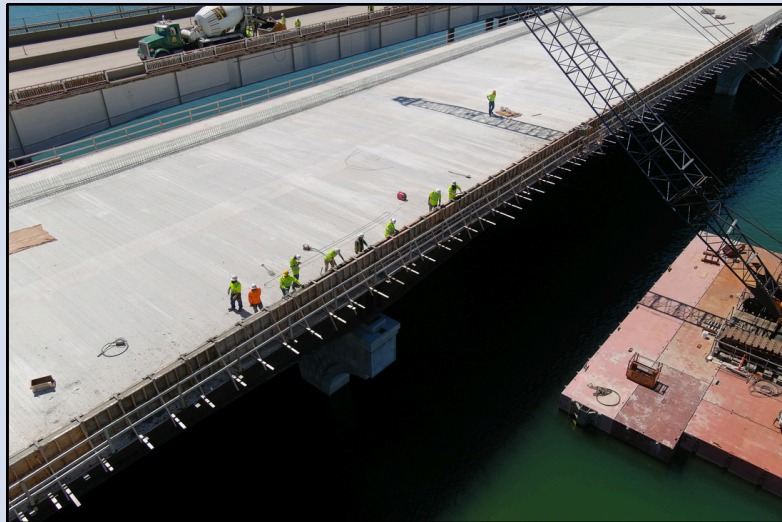




Workers drilling in preparation for raised median, May 21, 2024.



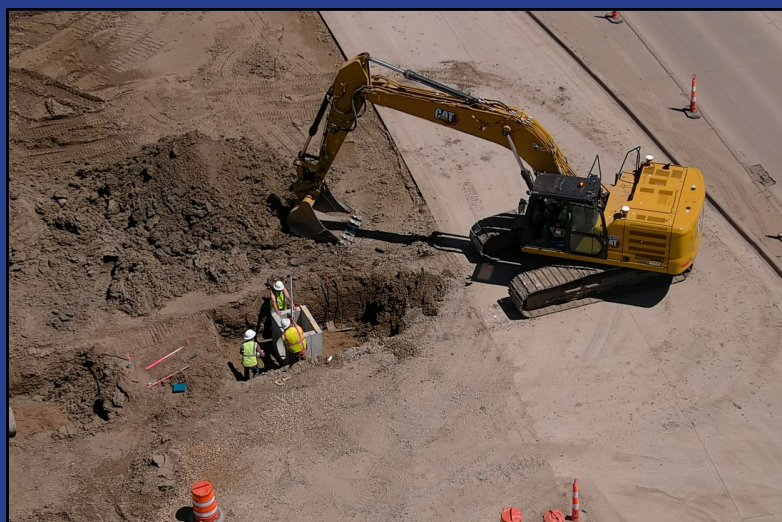
Installing additional earth for the end slope on the Ft. Pierre side, May 20, 2024.



Workers awaiting the delivery of materials, May 17, 2024.



Approach to the Pierre side abutment, May 17, 2024.



Excavator assisting with installation of storm sewer pipe, May 17, 2024.



Installing storm sewer pipe on the Ft. Pierre side, May 17, 2024.