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Bridge Project Update

Last week marked a major milestone, as crews successfully completed the retrieval of the final girder segments from the river. Immediately following the completion of girder retrieval, crews began demolition of the existing bridge piers. This critical phase is now underway and will continue to be a prominent part of the visible activity on site throughout the summer.

On the Fort Pierre side, median work continues and crews are actively forming, pouring, and finishing concrete in preparation for upcoming traffic shifts. At the same time, grading and excavation efforts are progressing on the Pierre side as part of the plaza development.

As median work wraps up, drivers can expect a shift in traffic patterns. Vehicles will be moved to the inside lanes, while the outside lanes will be closed to allow for the final stages of lighting installation. Crews will be working on both sides of the bridge to complete lighting infrastructure.

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Crews have begun demolition of the existing bridge piers which will continue through the summer. (May 2025)



Clean up continues on the Fort Pierre side of the bridge. (May 2025)



Grading and excavation work continue as part of the plaza development on the Pierre side of the bridge. (May 2025)