

HIGHWAY 1 COLQUITZ BRIDGES PROJECT INFORMATION & UPDATES July 9, 2025



PROJECT OVERVIEW

The Highway 1-Colquitz River Bridges Widening project will widen and seismically retrofit both existing two-lane bridges over Burnside Road on Highway 1 in Victoria, as well as establish a dedicated bus-on-shoulder lane. Widening the Colquitz River bridges will make for a more reliable, efficient commute for south Islanders while protecting local waterways and ecosystems. The Project will provide environmental enhancements by planting native trees, removing invasive species and treating highway runoff via a rain garden before discharging into the Colquitz River. Pomerleau Inc was awarded the construction contract in March 2024 for the project.

PROJECT UPDATES

Construction activities continue to progress onsite, including ongoing widening work on the South and North Colquitz Bridges. The construction crew commenced demolition works for the North Bridge deck, including concrete chipping and removal of concrete railings and columns. Excavated the North Bridge West abutment and began works on new structural components of the bridge. Slopes along the South Bridge were hydroseeded.

1 MONTH LOOKAHEAD

The following construction activities are anticipated to begin/continue over the next month:

- Ongoing work for the North Bridge deck works
- Concrete pouring and curing for the North Bridge West abutment and approach, as well as for the new East wall.
- Clearing and grubbing, soil management, grading, electrical, and drainage works along the North side of Highway 1
- Lane closures, traffic control and temporary crosswalk along Burnside Road West.

PROTECTION OF THE ENVIRONMENT

Regular third-party environmental audits are being conducted throughout construction. The latest audit conducted on June 19th, 2025, included in-situ water quality monitoring from measurements conducted upstream, downstream, and adjacent to the Project. The Project continues to be in compliance with turbidity levels, and turbidity levels have never been affected throughout the course of construction.

The Contractor will be removing their baker tanks from the project site in July, 2025. Baker tanks are used to remove sediment and treat water associated with hydro-demolition construction activities, which have since been completed on this project.



Figure 1: Baker Tanks Located on Burnside Road

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Figure 2: North Bridge West Abutment Excavation



Figure 3: North Bridge Demolition Works



Figure 4: North Bridge Formwork Installation



Figure 5: North Bridge Concrete Pour