

Oregon 241: Isthmus Slough Bridge Rehabilitation

What is ODOT planning to do?

The Isthmus Slough Bridge connects the community of Eastside and the Coos River watershed and resource lands with U.S. Highway 101 and downtown Coos Bay. About 8,700 vehicles use the bridge each day.

Built in 1931, the old draw, or “bascule,” bridge has seen a number of repairs and upgrades over the years. Most recently, the east approach of the bridge was replaced in 2012, requiring a three-week closure. Weight restrictions were posted on the bridge in 2001.

Problems with the bridge include extensive cracking and exposed rebar on the deck of the westerly approach spans, pack rust in the truss elements, broken welds and missing bolts. The electrical and mechanical systems of the drawbridge are old and require frequent repair.

This project will repair and resurface the deck, modify the deck drains, reconstruct expansion joints, seal cracks on the concrete surface of the bridge, repair welds, replace bolts, remove rust, and replace the electrical and mechanical systems.

How will drivers be affected?

Most traffic impacts will occur at night, including frequent lane closures and up to 10 full closures of the bridge.

ODOT will notify local media prior to any traffic impacts. To sign up for project updates and traffic alerts, visit www.IsthmusSloughBridge.com.



Project Fast Facts

Location	Oregon 241 (Coos River Highway): Milepost 0.5
Construction budget	\$7,857,360 (bid amount)
Construction timeline	Spring 2018 to fall 2019
Prime contractor	Hamilton Construction
General Goals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Extend the lifespan of the bridge ▪ Improve the functionality of the drawbridge ▪ Reduce maintenance costs

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