

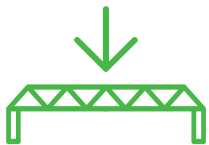


Guynn Avenue over Lindo Channel Bridge Replacement Project

The City of Chico obtained funding to replace the structurally deficient and functionally obsolete Guynn Avenue Bridge over Lindo Channel. The bridge is located between East Avenue and West Lindo Avenue, near the western edge of the City limits. The existing one-lane bridge provides a vital link between the Cussick Area Neighborhood and The Avenues, as it is one of only two vehicular crossings of Lindo Channel between Esplanade Avenue and Nord Avenue.



The existing bridge is an 86-foot long, single-span, steel Warren pony truss bridge. The bridge is structurally deficient and functionally obsolete for the following reasons:



The bridge has significantly reduced load carrying capacity and can no longer bear the weight as originally intended.



There is paint loss/cracking and rust on multiple steel members, including the main trusses of the bridge.



The northwest wingwall has cracked and is beginning to fail.



The bridge width does not meet current safety standards for cars and first responder vehicles.

To address these concerns, the City is in the process of developing a project to improve the safety of the crossing by replacing the bridge. The project improvements are anticipated to tie into West Lindo Avenue near the existing T-intersection and will extend past the bridge approximately 200 feet north along Guynn Avenue. To facilitate construction, the bridge and a portion of Guynn Avenue, near the structure, will be temporarily closed to traffic. Access to residential properties will be maintained at all times.

Environmental and Design Process

Environmental reviews and documentation in conformance with the requirements of both NEPA (National Environmental Policy Act) and CEQA (California Environmental Quality Act) will be completed as part of the project.

You may see some survey crews, geotechnical drilling work or environmental studies taking place near the bridge. The study results will provide important information for the engineers as they begin designing the improvements. Also, if you live near the project site, you may be asked to allow surveyors and environmental specialists to enter your property to complete their studies.



Project Team

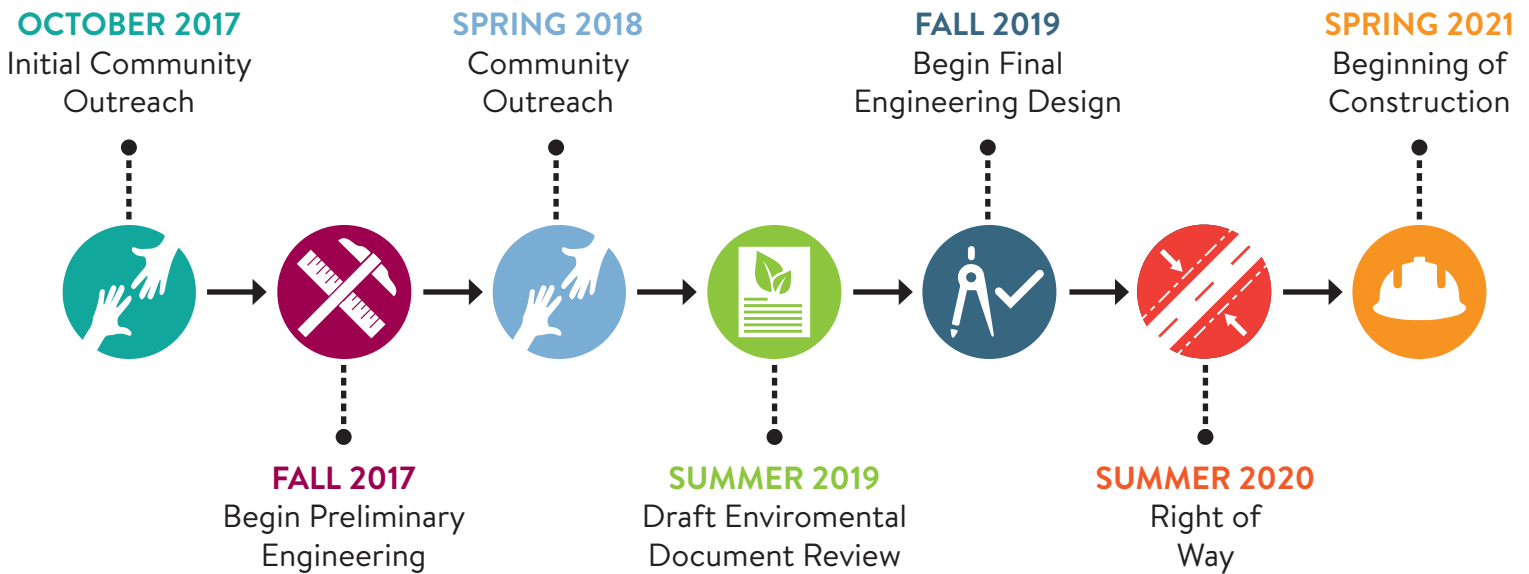
The project team, led by the City of Chico, includes California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), Mark Thomas, Crawford & Associates, Gallaway Enterprises, and Bender Rosenthal.

Funding

The project is 100% federally funded through the Highway Bridge Program and Toll Credits. The federal funds are being administered through the Caltrans Local Assistance Program.

Target Project Sequence and Timeline

Community outreach, site surveys and environmental studies are expected to begin in the next couple of months. The anticipated project timeline is as follows:



Get Involved

Community outreach and engagement are fundamental to developing the project design. The project development process will integrate the community's vision and resident needs so that they are reflected in the final design.

Project information may be found on the City's "Current Capital Projects" web page at http://www.chico.ca.us/capital_project_services/design.asp. Public workshop invitations will be circulated to residents and community members, and will be posted on the website when details are determined.



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