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Woodrow Wilson Bridge Project a mega-project success story

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Part 1: Project Overview

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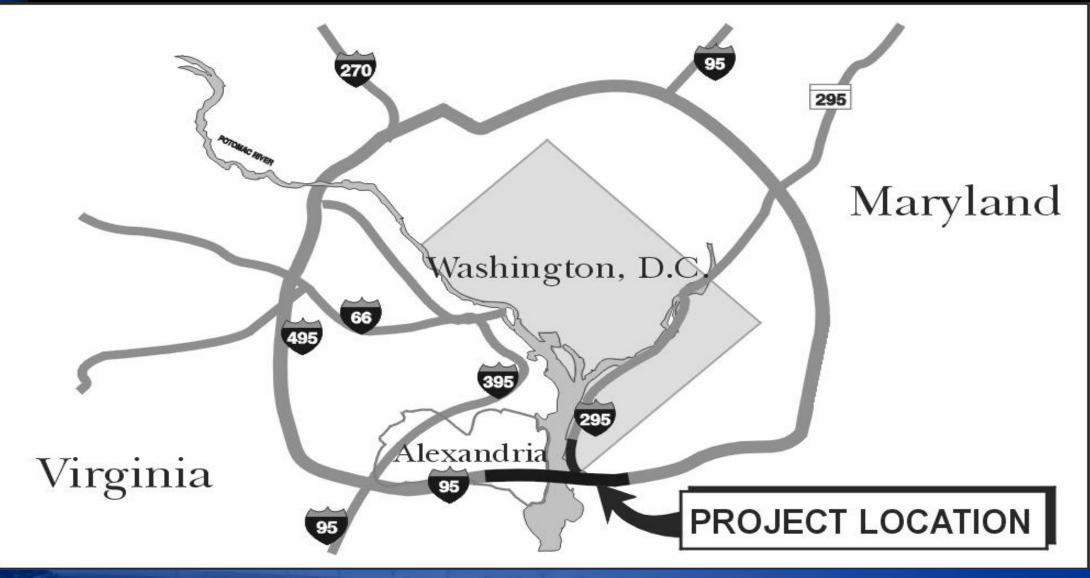
Part 3: Proactive Construction Management

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Project Overview



Woodrow Wilson Bridge Project

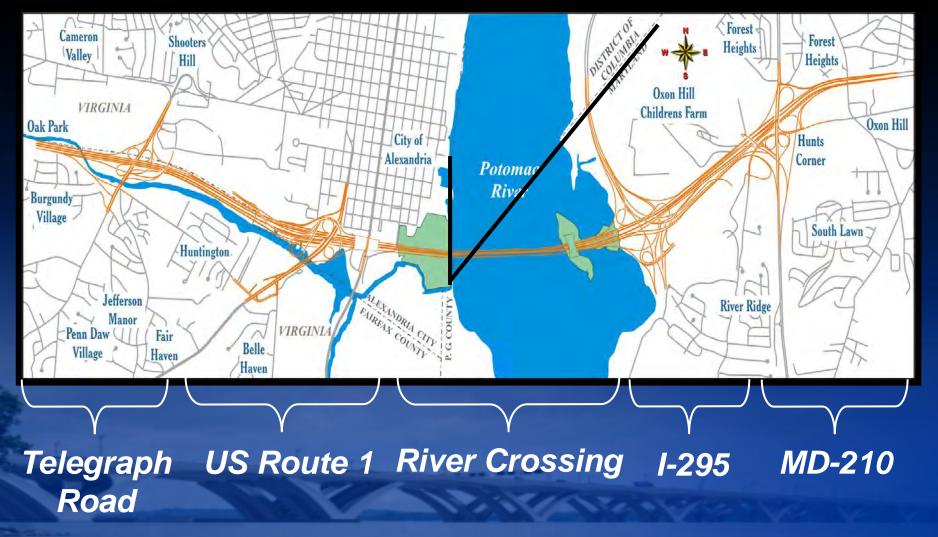


The Woodrow Wilson Bridge Project is located in the Washington DC Metropolitan Area.



Project Overview

7.5-mile corridor on I-95/Capital Beltway from Telegraph Rd. in VA to MD 210

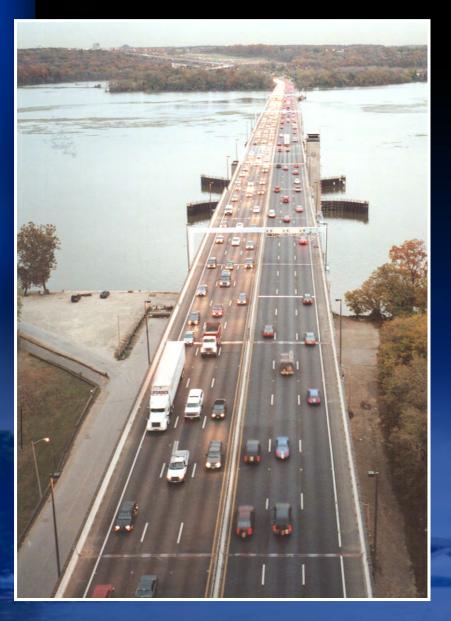


Project Overview





Why This Project Was Important



Safety ...

nearly twice the accident rate of similar highways in VA and MD

Traffic Volume...

seven hours of congestion daily and frequent several-mile backups

Service Life...

Wear and tear on the 40-year old bridge required its replacment in the near term

Commerce... At least 1 3%

At least 1.3% (\$58 Billion) of trucked GDP crossed the Bridge in 1993.



Project Overview Four Project Sponsors









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Project Overview: Governance

Joint Ownership Agreement

- Old bridge owned by FHWA, bascule operated by DC, and bridge maintained by MD and VA
- New bridge jointly owned, operated and maintained by MD and VA
- MD and VA each had a PM.
- Strong GEC was "trusted advisor" to both MD and VA
- Project Financial Plan "nuclear option"



Project Overview: Project Roles

- General Engineering Consultant ("GEC") JV of PB/URS/RK&K
 Program and Construction Management
- Section Design Consultants ("SDC's")
 5 Project Designers
- Contractors *Project Builders* <u>36 Prime Construction Contracts</u>
 •26 Prime Contractors + 260 Subcontractors



Project Overview
Significant Milestones

2000 – Begin construction with river dredging

2001 – Begin bridge foundations, VA & MD soil improvement, Hunting Tower demo, and MD interchange work

2003 – Begin bridge superstructure and VA & MD tie-in projects



Dredge disposal site at Weanack, VA

Woodrow Wilson Bridge Project



Corn growing in former sand and gravel pit

Dredge Disposal Facts

- Site is 170 miles from bridge
- Project paid property owner \$4.90/CY "tipping fee"
- Restored a strip-mined site to productive farmland





River work for the foundations contact (looking towards MD)

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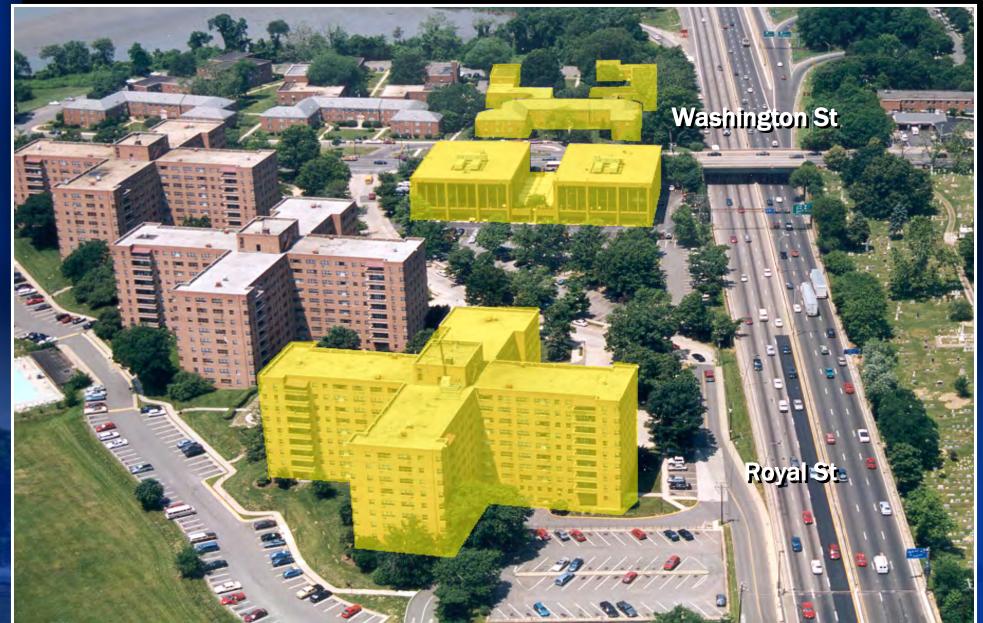
60" Diameter Pipe Piles







Project Overview - VA Interchanges Move 273 people in VA; Move 3 in MD





Project Overview Hunting Towers Demolition

Woodrow Wilson Bridge Project



February 2003

March 2003

40,000 Tons of Structural Steel



Project Overview
Significant Milestones

Mid 2006 – Complete 1st new bridge, switch traffic, demolish old bridge

2008 – Complete 2nd new bridge and most of US Route 1, I-295 and MD 210 Interchanges

2013 – Complete Telegraph Road Interchange



Project Overview: Construction Sequence Phase 1

Traffic on Old Bridge

2000-2006 Both Inner & Outer Loop Bridges Under Construction



Project Overview: Construction Sequence Phase 1



Project Overview: Construction Sequence Phase 2

Old Bridge Demolished

2006 Outer Loop Open to Two-Way Traffic

Project Overview – Construction Sequence Phase 2





Project Overview: Construction Sequence Phase 3

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Inner Loop Bridge Under Construction

2006-2008 Outer Loop Open to Two-Way Traffic

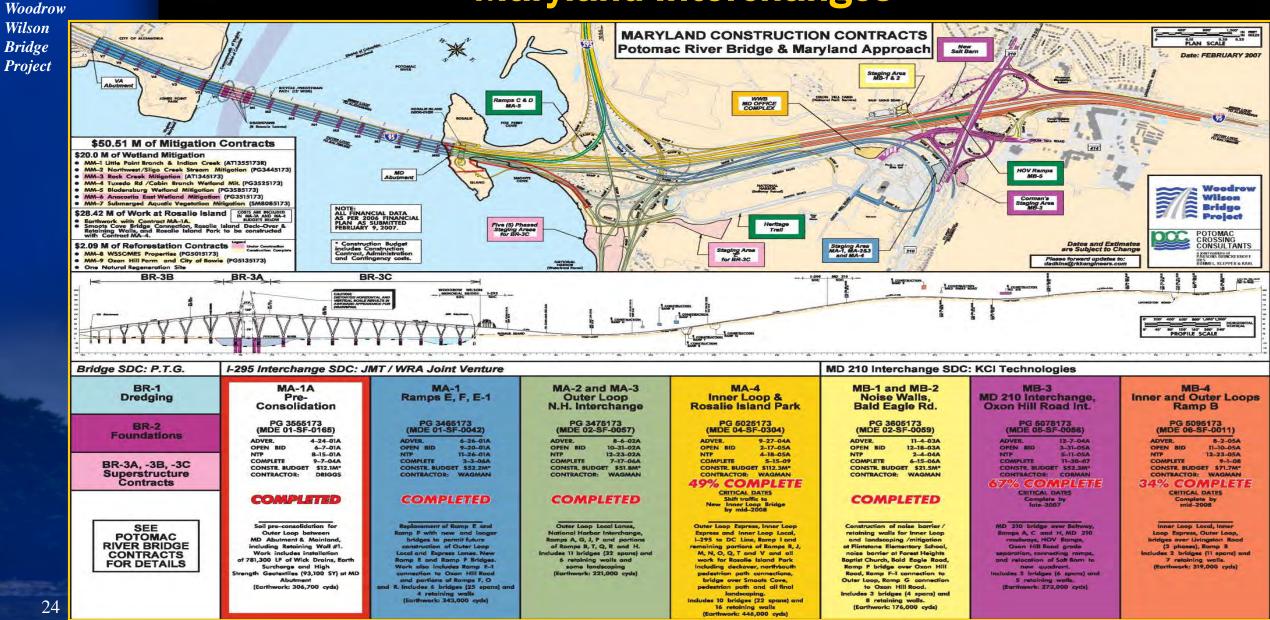


Project Overview: Construction Sequence = Final Configuration

2008 Inner Loop Open to SB Traffic

2008 Outer Loop Open to NB Traffic

Project Overview Maryland Interchanges





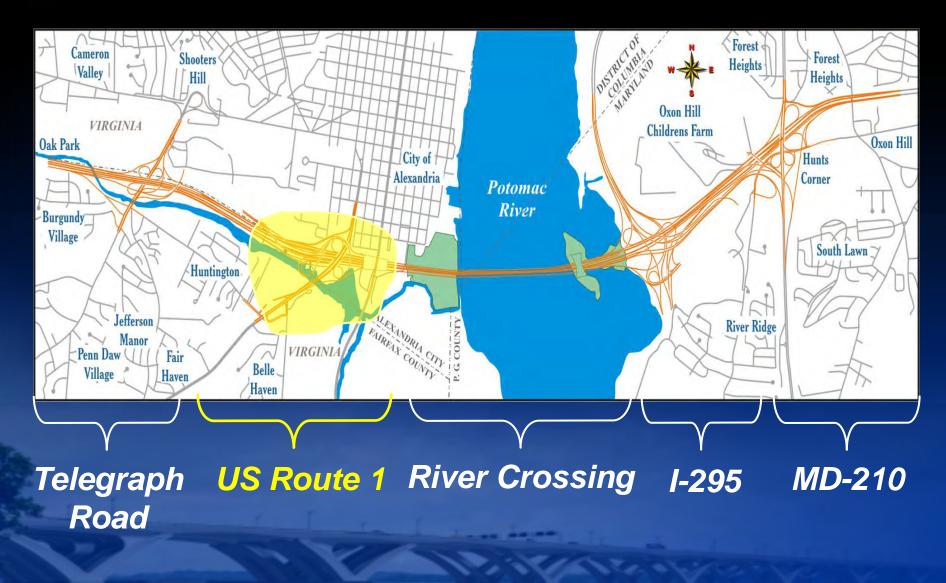
Project Overview - Maryland Interchanges



Photo credit Trevor Wrayton, VDOT



Project Overview – VA Interchanges





Project Overview – VA Interchanges





Project Overview: Dedication Ceremony-First New Span May 18, 2006





Project Overview: Old Bridge Demolition August 28, 2006

Photo credit Trevor Wrayton, VDOT





All Lanes Open December 13, 2008





First Bridge Opening – July 2007



WWB Multi-use Trail Opens June 6, 2009 all WWB facilities open





Awards Won



- Over 70 regional, state and national awards
- ASCE's Opal and AASHTO's America's Transportation Award Grand Prize in 2008
- Four ARTBA Globe Awards for Environmental Excellence
- Gustav Lindenthal Medal



Part 2: BR-3 Re-bid Challenge & Lessons Learned



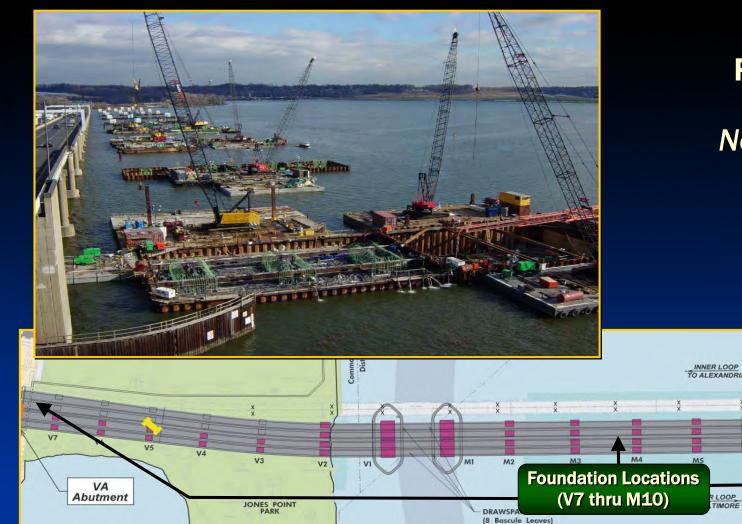
Timeline : Bridge Contracts

- October 2000 BR-1 Dredging \$14.5M
- May 2001 BR-2 Foundations \$125.4M

December 2001 - BR-3 Superstructure



Bridge Contract BR-2 Foundations



Designer: **PTG (Parsons)**

Notice to Proceed May 7, 2001

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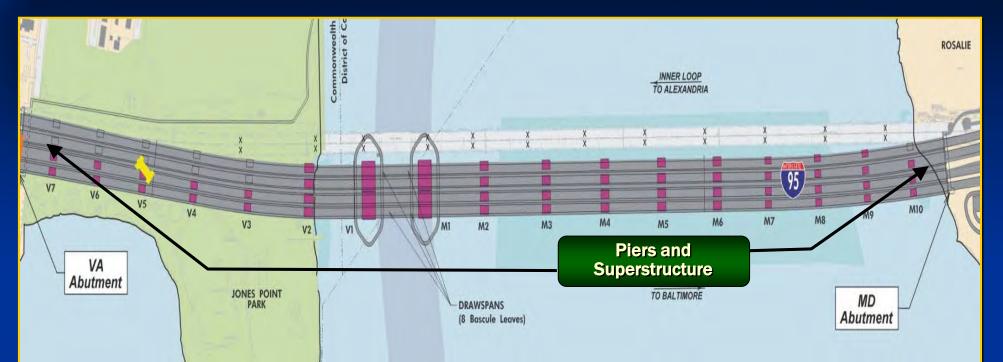
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Bridge Contract BR-3

Designer: PTG (Parsons) Advertised: August 13, 2001

Pre-Bid Meeting:September 11, 2001Bids Opened:December 13, 2001





Washington Post - December 14, 2001



Wilson Bridge Bid Called a 'Budget Buster'

Lone, \$860 Million Offer Exceeds Estimates by 75 Percent; Price Tag Could Delay Construction

By KATHERINE SHAVER Washington Post Staff Writer

The only contractor to bid on building the two spans of the new Woodrow Wilson Bridge said yesterday that the job would cost almost \$860 million-75 percent more than the highest earlier estimates.

Maryland engineers in charge of the project said yesterday that they have no choice but to either redesign the bridge or repeat their request for bids, hoping to attract competitors. But either step would throw bridge construction several months behind schedule. With foundation work already underway, the next building phase was set to begin in the spring.

State highway officials said they were stunned by the \$859.9 million bid by Kiewit, Tidewater & Clark to build the "superstructure"—the parts of the two sixlane spans above water. Estimates ranged from \$450 million to \$500 million.

Maryland State Highway Administrator Parker F. Williams said state engineers could not remember a bid ever coming in so high above estimates.

"If this thing had come in under 5 percent over our engineers' estimate, I suspect we could figure out a way to do it," Williams said. "But, my word, \$859 million versus \$500 million is significant.... This bid just absolutely blew us away."

Any more delays in the 12-year saga to replace the 40-year-old span connecting Oxon Hill and Alexandria would prolong one of the region's biggest traffic headaches. About 200,000 vehicles per day—

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Bid Opening Day-December 13, 2001

BR-3 Contract

One Bid - \$860 million - is \$373 million (75%) above the estimate

Funding Responsibility – Maryland must cover Overruns

Budget Implications – Non-Starter



Potential Issues that Limited Competition

 Uncertainty in the economy (especially after Sept. 11)
 Contract size / complexity
 Surety bonding issues



Potential Issues that Limited Competition

- Many mega-transportation projects bidding concurrently
- Many contract specifications were not seen as "contractor friendly"
- Uncertainty about the Project Labor Agreement (PLA)



Immediate Decisions

Preserve the Approved Bridge Concept

 Continue Building the Bridge's Foundations

Act Quickly, but Get it Right

Collect the Best Advice Available



Increase Competition

Break Contract into Three Smaller
 Contracts with staggered Ad Dates

Conduct Nationwide Marketing Campaign

Make Contracts More Contractor Friendly



Make Contracts more Contractor Friendly

Reduced performance/payment bonds to 50%
 Reduced insurance requirements

Lowered retainage to 2.5%

Increased Mobilization Cap from 10% to 15%
Allowed payment for stored materials
Clarified PLA Requirement



Decrease Cost of Structure

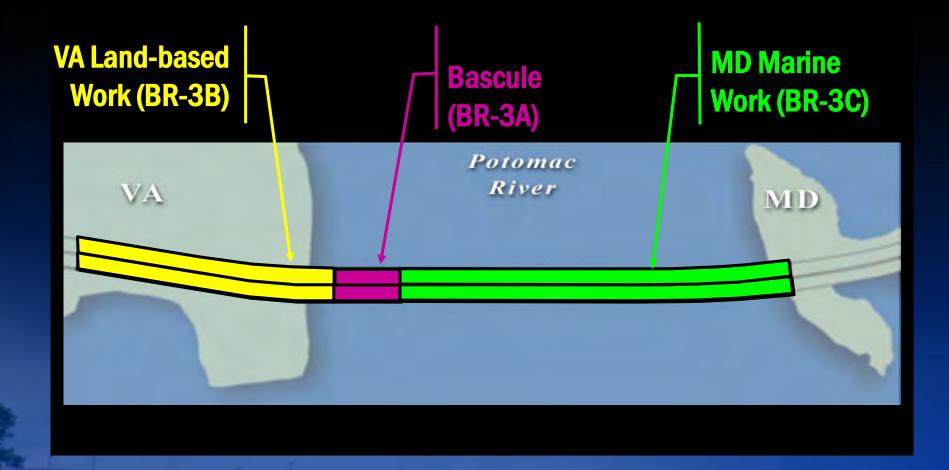
Replaced steel box girders with steel plate girders

Refined V-piers to simplify some elements

Standardized more elements



Re-Advertisement Strategy (Advertise 3 Contracts)





Bid Results for 3 Bridge Contracts

• Feb 2003 BR-3A Bascule \$186 M

• April 2003 BR-3B Virginia Approach \$115 M

• June 2003 BR-3C Maryland Approach \$191 M





Combined Re-bid Total = \$492 million

Within 1% of Original Engineer's Estimate (\$487 million) !!



Washington Post on the Re-bids

Wilson Bridge Engineers Relieved

Low Bid Brightens Outlook For Bridge

By KATHERINE SHAVER and MATTHEW Mosk Washington Post Staff Writers

The lowest bid to build the final piece of the new Woodrow Wilson Bridge came in so far below the Maryland engineers' estimate yesterday that state officials said they will consider lowering their predictions for the project's total cost.

The bid to build the eastern portions of the twin six-lane spans—from east of the drawbridges in the Potomac River to the Maryland shore—came in at \$191 million, or 25 percent below estimate. That helped but the entire program

budget, dampening Unexpectedly Low Bid Keeps ost overruns on one Unexpectedly Low Bid Keeps highway projects in the Wilson Bridge Under Budget

By KATHERINE SHAVEN Washington Post Staff Writer

Maryland highway officials were refieved yesterday when the lowest bid to build one of the costlicits parts of the new Woodrow Wilson Bridge came in §45 million under estimates, a sign that the massive project has not soared over budget. State engineers had anxiously awaited the proposals to build the bridge's western section—from the draw spans to the Virginia-side abutment in Alexandria's Jones Point Park—as an indication of whether the \$2.56 billion project was headed for huge cost overruns. State officials requested new bids on smaller churks of the project, hoping to clicit

more competition after the lone bid to See RRIDCE_R6 Gd 1

tion over budget.

build the entire bridge came in \$360 mil-

million-well below the estimates

\$160 million-will keep the proje-

overall costs for work awarded so far to

percent below budget, bridge offici

bridge-building contracts.

enough to stay under budget.

said. "We're pleased," said a beaming Hul

Douglass, project director for Maryland's

The first such contract-to build the

draw spans-was awarded in January. It

was \$18 million over estimates, a price

that bridge officials said was close

everything above water, including 11

The Virginia-side contract will cover

Yesterday's apparent low bid of \$115.5

Low Bid Improves Outlook for Bridge Job

Low Bid on Major Bridge Piece Bodes Well for Budget

Wilson Bids in Ballpark

\$18 Million Over Estimate Is a Relief to Engineers

By KATHERINE SHAVER Washington Post Staff Writer

The lowest bid to build the draw spans of the new Woodrow Wilson Bridge came in \$18 million over engineers' estimates yesterday, but relieved Maryland officials declared that was close enough to assure they could continue the project.

Maryland highway officials were stunned last December, when the lone bid to build the entire bridge came in \$360 million—or 75 percent—over budget, threatening massive cost overruns on the largest transportation project in the region.

The state rejected that proposal and called for new bids on the twin six-lane spans, dividing the work into smaller chunks in the hope of creating more competition and a lower price.

"This was a huge hurdle," said Parker Williams, head of the Maryland State Highway Administration. After the budget-buster bid last year, he said, "we had to ask the question, 'Is this project buildable?"

Williams said yesterday's price of \$186 million for the draw spans proved it is. "I think we've got a workable bid here," he said. "I think we're in the financial parameters of affordability."

Maryland Transportation Secretary John D. Porcari said the bid showed "the market telling us this is as good as we're going to get with a project that's this com-

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Stacle Leavitt, center, confers with C

Stacle Leavitt, center, confers with C headquarters in Pittsfield, Maine. The firm's bid was the second lowest.



Lessons Learned

 Avoid advertising at the same time as other mega-projects

 Reach out to the contracting community to generate interest

Make the terms contractor friendly

Set bond limits to enhance competition



Lessons Learned (Continued)

- Remove as much uncertainty as possible prior to advertising
- Emphasize the owner's active involvement

Techniques exist to mitigate contract interface risks, but there are no techniques to mitigate for a lack of competition



Part 3: Proactive Construction Corridor Management



Failed Bid Changed the Project Mindset "We all succeed together"

 Contractors are an indispensable part of the program

 It is in the owner's best interest to help contractors be productive

 The CM Team can facilitate contractors' productivity



Construction Management Challenges

Keep traffic moving during construction

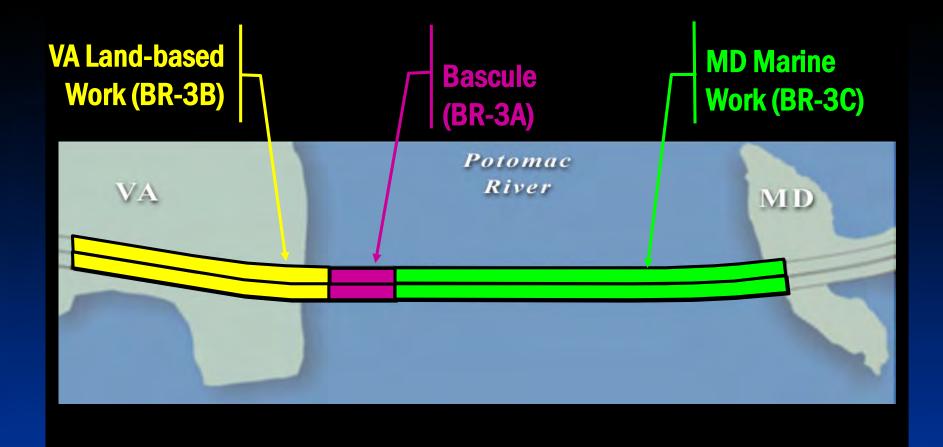
6 contractors (vs. 4) must all meet a two week window, four years in the future.

The critical path shifts among the 6 contractors

How to manage the interfaces so that all contractors work together as if they were one?



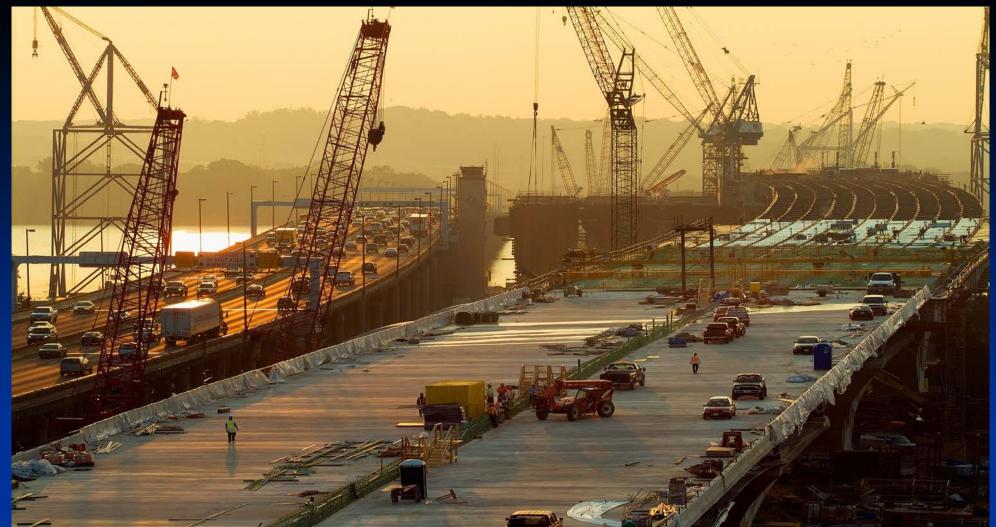
3 Contracts = **2** More Interfaces





BR-3B Viewpoint

- Build Outer Loop bridge as quickly as possible, so that traffic can be switched to it.
- Demo of the old bridge controls the critical path





BR-3A Viewpoint

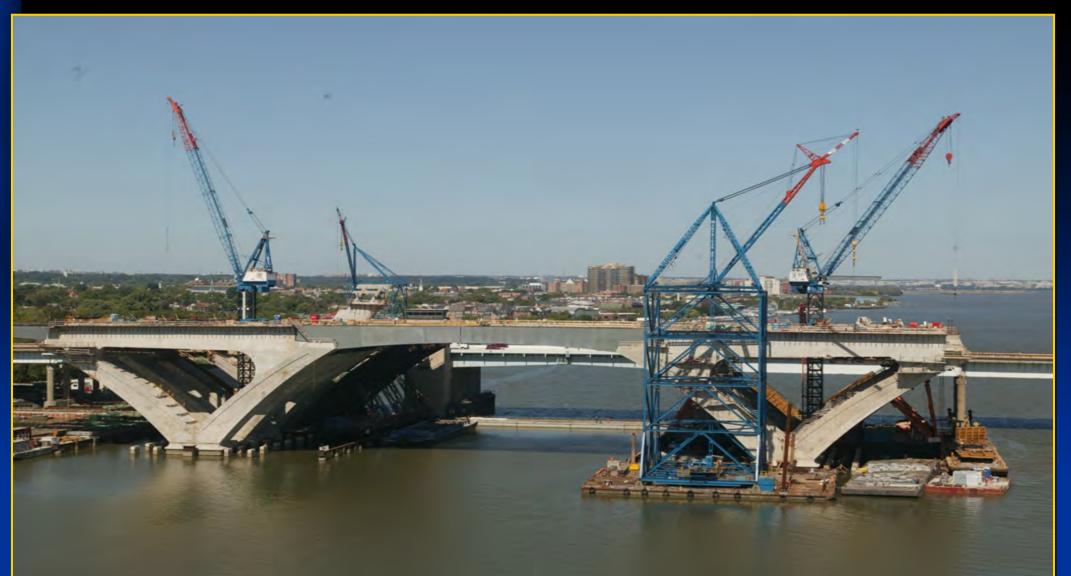
- Build a complex machine to run smoothly for 75 years
- The more time the better to test and commission





BR-3A Viewpoint

- Old bridge not an issue
- Access via Floating bridge boxed in by other contractors





BR-3C Viewpoint

- Leave traffic on old Bridge as long as possible
- Old bridge is an asset after traffic shift
- Land access after traffic shift boxed in by other contractors





Strategy: Seek Opportunities to Enhance Production



Example: MD haul road for BR-3C access through MA-4



Strategy: Program Planning and Scheduling

 Contracts were let by each state, key special provisions were Project-wide

 Corridor Coordination meetings kept contractors on the same page

 Integrated corridor schedule kept all contractors moving toward the same dates



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Strategy: Program Planning and Scheduling

Corridor Coordination meetings kept all contractors on the same page

- Interface management
- Conflict forecasting
- Access release adjustments
- Issue Resolution updates



Strategy: Program Planning and Scheduling

157 Access Releases

- Sortable by :
- Contract Number
- Milestone Number
- Original Contract Date for the Milestone
- Current Contract Date for the Milestone
- Current Schedule Data Date
- Schedule Activity ID



Integrated Pro	gram Schedule I	Mangement

Act ID	Description	Early Start	Early Finish	1998 1999 2000 2001 2002 2003 2004 2005 2006 2007 2008 2009 2010 2011 2012 2					
ELEG	RAPH ROAD INTERCHANGE								
VB0010	Design Telegraph Road Interchange	09/14/98 A	01/10/03	Design Telegraph Road Interchange					
VB0020	Right of Way Appraisal/Negotiate/Relocate	01/03/05 *	07/02/07	Right of Way Appraisal/Negotiate/Relocate					
VB0030	Purchase Telegraph ROW		07/02/07	Purchase Telegraph ROW					
/B0040	Construct Telegraph Road Interchange	07/03/07	01/03/11	Construct Telegraph Road Interchange					
IS ROL	JTE 1 INTERCHANGE								
/A0010	Design US1 Interchange	08/31/98 A	11/22/02	Design US1 Interchange					
/A0020	R/W App/Neg/Acquire/Relocate Towers/Terrace	03/01/99 A	04/01/02	R/W App/Neg/Acquire/Relocate Towers/Terrace					
/A0030	R/W App/Neg/Acquire for Ground Improvement	01/22/01 A	08/20/01	R/W App/Neg/Acquire for Ground Improvement					
/A0040	Purchase Hunting Tower/Terrace/Offices	01/24/01 A	04/02/01 A	Purchase Hunting Tower/Terrace/Offices					
VA0050	Purchase Ground Improvement Right of Way		08/20/01	Purchase Ground Improvement Right of Way					
VA0060	R/W App/Neg/Acquire Remainder of US1	06/01/01	04/01/03	RW App/Neg/Acquire Remainder of US1					
A0070	Purchase Remainder of US1 Right of Way		04/01/03	Purchase Remainder of US1 Right of Way					
A0075	Ground Improvement Contract VA2 - Advertise	08/07/01	11/07/01	Ground Improvement Contract VA2 - Advertise					
VA0080	Ground Improvement Construction - Contract VA2	11/08/01 *	04/01/04	Ground Improvement Construction - Contract VA2					
VA0085	Advertise Demolition of Office Buildings	12/03/01		Advertise Demolition of Office Buildings					
VA0090	Demolish Office Buildings	02/01/02	05/03/02	Demolish Office Buildings					
A0100	Demo Hunting Tower/Terrace/Offices VA3	07/15/02	10/15/02	Demo Hunting Tower/Terrace/Offices VA3					
VA0110	Tie-In Construction - Contract VA3	10/16/02	01/03/05	Tie-In Construction - Contract VA3					
/A0115	6 Lane Bridge Tie-in Complete		12/30/04 *						
/A0120	US1 Interchange Construction - Contract VA4	08/11/03	08/22/05	6 Lane Bridge Tie-in Complete					
/A0130	US1 Interchange Construction - Contract VA5	04/19/05		US1 Interchange Construction - Contract VA4					
/A0140	ROW App/Neg US1 Southern Intersection		04/24/07	US1 Interchange Construction - Contract VA5					
	Charles and the second se	02/27/06 *	07/02/07	ROW App/Neg US1 Southern Intersection					
/A0150	Purchase ROW US1 Southern Intersection		07/02/07	Purchase ROW US1 Southern Intersectio					
VA0160	Construct US1 HOV Ramps	07/01/08	06/29/09	Construct US1 HOV Ramps					
VA0170	Construct US1 Southern Intersection	07/03/07	06/30/08	Construct US1 Southern Intersection					

 Data date
 05/31/01

 Run date
 08/20/01

 Start date
 04/10/98

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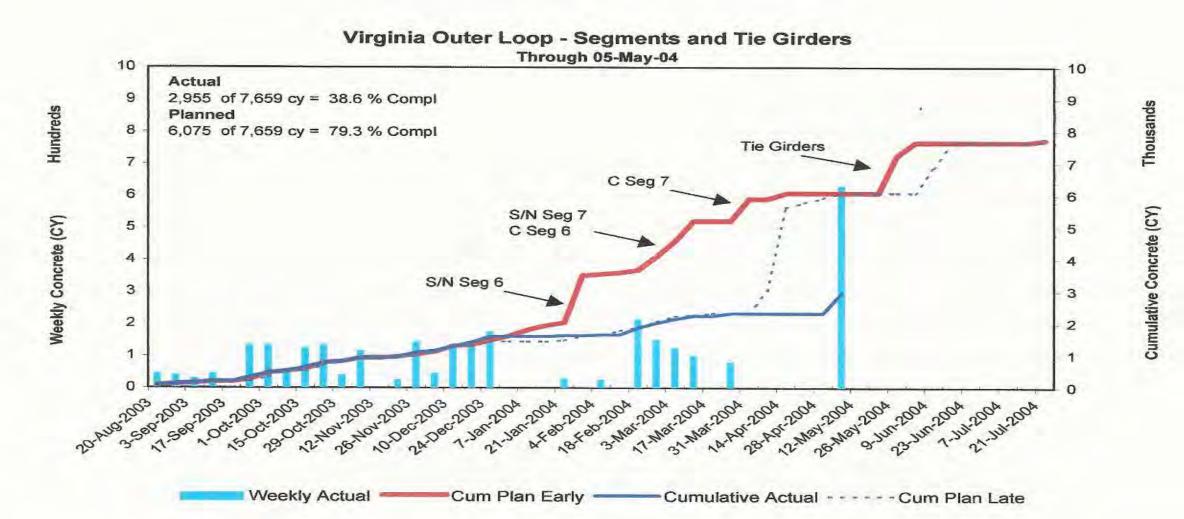
WOODROW WILSON BRIDGE PROJECT AUGUST 2001 INITIAL FINANCIAL PLAN SUMMARY SCHEDULE Early start point
 Early finish point
 Early bar
 Progress bar
 Progress point
 Start milestone point
 Finish milestone point



Integrated Program Schedule Management

MA-2/3	Stage 1 Bridge #15 Area	AR#1	15-Mar-03	15-Mar-03	7-Mar-03		NH25 (30-Jun-05) BR004055
MA-2/3	Complete 78" Drainage	MS#1	28-Jun-03	28-Jun-03	25-Jun-03	SHA-347-1046	NH25 (30-Jun-05	
VA-5	AR Area 2 (252+00 to 275+00) RT	AR#2	1-Aug-03	1-Aug-03	1-Aug-03		V5Q1 (1-Jun-05)	
VA-5	AR Area 3 (301+75 to 307+00) RT	AR#3	1-Aug-03	1-Aug-03	1-Aug-03		V5Q1 (1-Jun-05)	
BR-3C	MD OL Abutment from MA-1A	AR	15-Oct-03	15-Oct-03	17-Oct-03	SHA-515-1020	3C18 (18-Jul-05)	BR004515
VA-5	Ramp I & Ramp E	MS#1	1-Dec-03	1-Dec-03	1-Dec-03	VA5-025	V5Q1 (1-Jun-05)	BR004555
VA-5	AR Area 1 (244+00 to 252+50) RT	AR#1	1-Dec-03	1-Dec-03	N/A	No date in CPM update	V5Q1 (1-Jun-05)	BR004599
VA-6/7	AR #5 - Ramp I VA-5 B631 Pier 4	AR#5	31-Dec-03	31-Dec-03	31-Dec-03	Letter 'in file' dated 2/22/2005	R010 (18-Jun-05)	1011004333
VA-6/7	AR #7 - Bent 1, Ramp E VA-5 Tie-in	AR#7	31-Dec-03	31-Dec-03	31-Dec-03	Letter 'in file' dated 2/22/2005	R010 (18-Jun-05)	VA0112002
MA-2/3	Access Stage #2 Ramp A (R Open)	AR#2	1-Jan-04	1-Jan-04	21-Jan-04	email from E. Keiter	NH25 (30-Jun-05)	
BR-3B	OL Abutment	AR#1	17-Feb-04	17-Feb-04	16-Mar-04	SHA-517-1053	0605 (28-Jun-05)	VA0113056
BR-3C	MD OL OK Backfill MD Abutment	AR	18-Feb-04	18-Feb-04	18-Feb-04		3C18 (18-Jul-05)	VA0114018
VA-5	AR Area 4 (275+00 to 288+75) RT	AR#4	1-Apr-04	1-Apr-04	1-Apr-04	VA5-043	V5Q1 (1-Jun-05)	VA0114038
VA-4	Complete Virginia OL Abutment	MS#1	17-May-04	17-May-04		(VA-4) 0153	0704 (4-Jul-05)	VA0114042
VA-6/7	AR #01E - Area 5E from VA-2 (280+50 to 290+00)	AR#1	31-May-04	31-May-04		VA-6/7 - 0033; 0063	R010 (18-Jun-05)	
VA-6/7	AR #3 - Transmsn Twrs E Relocated	AR#3	31-May-04	31-May-04		VA-6/7 - 0050	R010 (18-Jun-05)	
VA-6/7	Interim Milestone 1 - Installation of Elec Duct Bank	MS#1		15-Sep-04		VA-6/7 - 0094	R010 (18-Jun-05)	VA0114001
VB-4	MS # 1 Installation of Duct Bank	MS#1	15-Sep-04	15-Sep-04	23-Sep-04	VB4-0023	UD12 (18-Jun-05)	
VA-6/7	AR #4 - Transmsn Twrs W Relocated	AR#4	30-Sep-04	30-Sep-04	15-Sep-04	VA-6/7 - 0050	R010 (18-Jun-05)	
VA-6/7	AR #01D (c) - Area 5W from VA-2 (267+50 to 269+50)	AR#1	30-Mar-05	30-Sep-04	30-Sep-04	VA-6/7 - 0063	R010 (18-Jun-05)	
VA-6/7	AR #01D (e) - Area 5W from VA-2 (272+00 to 277+50)	AR#1	30-Mar-05	30-Sep-04	30-Sep-04	VA-6/7 - 0063	R010 (18-Jun-05)	
VA-6/7	AR #01F - Area 5C from VA-2 (277+50 to 280+50)	AR#1	30-Sep-04	31-Oct-04	31-Dec-04	VA-6/7 - 0091; 0063	R010 (18-Jun-05)	BR004005
BR-3B	Access to OL Bridge Level	AR	1-Nov-04	1-Nov-04	1-Nov-04	SHA-517-1111	0605 (28-Jun-05)	
VA-4	Provide Access to OL Bridge Level	MS	1-Nov-04	1-Nov-04	1-Nov-04	(VA-4) 0258	0704 (4-Jul-05)	VA0114002
BR-3B	VA Approach Utilities	AR#3	31-Dec-04	31-Dec-04		SHA-517-1116	0605 (28-Jun-05)	
VA-4	Complete Utilities	MS#2	31-Dec-04	31-Dec-04		(VA-4) 0203	0704 (4-Jul-05)	VA0114044
MA-2/3	Original OL (Ramp B to Bridge) (MA-1A area)	AR#3	1-Jan-05	1-Jan-05		SHA-515-1078; SHA-347-1102; SHA-347-1142	NH25 (30-Jun-05)	BR004010
MA-2/3	Retaining Wall 23 Access	AR#3A	1-Jan-05	1-Jan-05		SHA-347-1102; SHA-347-1142; SHA-346-1147	NH25 (30-Jun-05)	
MA-2/3	Retaining Wall 1 Access (EAST)	AR#3B	1-Jan-05	1-Jan-05		Email from WR&A (1/4/2005); SHA-347-1142	NH25 (30-Jun-05)	
MA-2/3	Retaining Wall 1 Access (WEST)	AR#3C	1-Jan-05	1-Jan-05		Email from WR&A (1/14/2005); SHA-347-1142	NH25 (30-Jun-05)	
BR-3B	OL Pier V1 (able to set girders)	AR#2	17-Feb-05	17-Feb-05		SHA-517-1112		BR003325
BR-3A	Outer Loop Pier V1 (able to receive girders)	MS#1	17-Feb-05	24-Feb-05		SHA-345-1330	3A26 (28-Jul-05)	VA0114032
VA-6/7	AR #01D (d) - Area 5W from VA-2 (269+50 to 272+00)	AR#1	30-Mar-05	1-Mar-05		VA-6/7 - 00130	R010 (18-Jun-05)	
VB-4	MS # 2A Material Area 5W (261 to 267+50)	MS#2A	1-Mar-05	15-Mar-05		(VB-4) 36; Work Order #4	UD12 (18-Jun-05)	BR004525
VA-6/7	AR #01D (a) - Area 5W from VA-2 (250+00 to 251+00)	AR#1	30-Mar-05	30-Mar-05		VA-6/7 - 00130	R010 (18-Jun-05)	
VA-6/7	AR #01D (b) - Area 5W from VA-2 (251+00 to 267+50)	AR#1	30-Mar-05	30-Mar-05		VA-6/7 - 00134	R010 (18-Jun-05)	MA006005
VA-5	Ramp I (West end of B626)	Rev MS	1-Apr-05	1-Apr-05		Word Order #5 & W.O. #7; VA5-091		BR003350
VA-4	Compl S Wash Street (southern deck)	MS#3	15-Apr-05	15-Apr-05		(VA-4) 0295; 0296	0704 (4-Jul-05)	BR003330
BR-3A	Outer Loop Pier M1 (able to receive girders)	MS#2	11-Mar-05	6-May-05	2-Jun-05	*AB/K&PC agree to adj 3/18/05 date to 5/6/05; SHA-		BR004050
BR-3C	Outer Loop Pier M1 (able to set girders)	AR	11-Mar-05	6-May-05		SHA-515-1179	3C18 (18-Jul-05)	VA0114030
VA-5	Ramp I (B626, B628, and B631)	Rev MS	15-May-05	15-May-05	4-May-05	Word Order #5 & W.O. #7; VA5-101	V5Q1 (1-Jun-05)	VA0112006

BR-3A Substructure Concrete Placed





Strategy: Proactive Public Relations

 Celebrate Successes - Manage publicity events

- Bridge Bucks
- Eagle Naming Contest
- Worst commute contest

Provide media access to Project site



Strategy: Partnering Emphasize positive relationships

Monthly Partnering meetings on all contracts

Executive Partnering meetings as needed

Web based rating and comments tool



Strategy: Keep Contractors Moving with Timely Responses

Early issue identification the norm

Quick decisions for ordinary
 issues

 "Show stopper" issues needed careful, yet timely, consideration



What was the final cost of three contracts?

Total of base bids + changes = \$525M
 (7% > than the combined low bids)

Most of the cost increase was due to steel escalation

 Only \$4 million (< 1%) was due to contractor interface issues



Financial Plan History

- Initial Financial Plan (Approved Sept. 2001)
 Total Project Budget = \$2.443 Billion
- 2014 Final Cost as Close Out
 Total Project Cost = \$2.357 Billion

<u>\$86 million under budget</u> <u>after 14 years</u>



WWB as Art







The Completed Woodrow Wilson Bridge

On Schedule

On Budget

http://wwblessonslearned.com/

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QUESTIONS ?

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