



Wild Cherry Bridge Construction Project

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This project relates to [Council's Strategic Operating Plan](#) in the areas of:

- Fiscal Responsibility
- Multimodal Transportation

Additionally, the project will provide infrastructure maintenance and increase the output of new sidewalks. It is identified as a need in the City of Asheville [pedestrian plan](#) and the budget for the project was included in the approved [FY 2011-12 Capital Improvement Program](#).



Expect minor traffic delays the week of **November 5**.

Project Timeline

2011	
October 28	Request for Qualifications advertised for a firm to analyze the status of the bridge and determine whether it was more prudent to rehabilitate or replace the bridge and to prepare a design of the selected course of action Mattern and Craig engineering firm was selected. Their recommendation based on a Life Cycle Cost Analysis was to replace the bridge.
2012	
May 29	Formal request for bids for construction issued with a response date of June 14, 2012

June 14	Two bids received. Request for bids reissued because state statutes require a minimum of three bids
June 22	Three bids received. Lowest responsive bidder was Saddlebrook Construction.
July 24	Project awarded to Saddlebrook Construction, Inc. Staff Report Minutes
October 5	Citizen Alert phone message sent out to residents in the project area
Week of October 8	Contractor to move on site to start construction on the temporary bridge foundation
Week of Oct. 15	Contractor work will likely shut down one lane of traffic
Week of Nov. 5	Temporary bridge scheduled to be delivered and installed. Minor traffic delays can be expected.
Week of Nov. 12	Traffic expected to shift to temporary bridge. Begin deconstruction of the existing bridge.