



REGIONAL BRIDGE NATIONAL **IMPACT**



New bridge rendering

CONTINUING MOMENTUM

BUILDING A BETTER BRIDGE

The Hood River-White Salmon Bridge Replacement Project is working to replace the 101-year-old bridge spanning the Columbia River between Hood River, OR and White Salmon, WA. Built in 1924, the existing bridge is outdated, unsafe and costly to maintain.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE NEW BRIDGE INCLUDE:



A SAFER, MODERN STRUCTURE.

Wider lanes and deeper foundations will provide a safer connection from Hood River to White Salmon and Bingen.



NEW CONNECTIONS FOR BICYCLES AND PEDESTRIANS.

The current bridge only accommodates vehicles. The new structure will provide safe, protected access to bicycles and pedestrians.



IMPROVED MARINE NAVIGATION.

A new 450-foot navigational channel, which is 200 feet wider than the current one, will allow safer passage for vessels.

With recent federal approval and state funding secured, the project is entering 2026 with strong momentum. Led by the Hood River-White Salmon Bridge Authority, HNTB, and Kiewit Infrastructure West, the project team has begun final design and is **seeking the final federal investment needed to advance into construction in 2027.**

WHAT'S NEXT IN 2026

SITE EXPLORATIONS:

Crews are collecting soil samples at the locations of the new bridge piers to ensure they understand ground conditions.

DESIGN PROGRESS:

The team is targeting the 60% design milestone in summer 2026 and expects to complete final design by spring 2027. We'll continue to share new details about the design as it progresses.

ACTION PLAN COMPLETION:

Supported by a federal grant, the cities of Hood River, White Salmon, and Bingen are working with the project to finalize the Active Transportation and Safety Action Plan. This plan will guide future funding efforts for bicycle and pedestrian connections on both sides of the river.

// PROJECT TIMELINE

- **2017**
Project launches with \$5M Oregon funding.
- **2022**
HNTB selected as owner's representative.
- **SUMMER 2023**
Hood River-White Salmon Bridge Authority assumes leadership of the project.
- **SPRING 2024**
Kiewit Infrastructure West selected as progressive design-build contractor.
- **SUMMER 2024**
Washington and Oregon legislatures commit \$75M and \$20M respectively.

Project receives federal biological opinion.
- **SUMMER 2025**
Washington and Oregon legislatures commit full state funding match (\$125M total each).
- **FALL 2025**
Design contract executed with Kiewit.
- ◆ **WE ARE HERE**
Final EIS/Record of Decision complete.
- **SPRING 2027**
Design complete.
- **FALL 2027**
Construction begins.
- **2028-2030**
Construction continues.
- **2031**
Construction complete; new bridge opens.
- **2032**
Old bridge demolition begins.
- **2033**
Old bridge demolition complete.

DESIGN

CONSTR.

DEMO
OLD
BRIDGE

December 2025

PROJECT FUNDING, in millions



STATE FUNDING

\$250M in state match (\$125M each from WA & OR)



LOCAL FUNDING

\$105M toll-backed TIFIA loan in process



INITIAL FEDERAL FUNDING

\$200M INFRA grant



REMAINING FEDERAL FUNDING

\$532M Bridge Investment Program request

The funding plan meets all BIP program criteria and is consistent with federal match requirements.

PROJECT COST, in millions



Contingency:
\$188

Planning: \$28
Design: \$85

Demo: \$102

Construction:
\$717

Total:
\$1,120

PROJECT TEAM & PARTNERS

HOOD RIVER-WHITE SALMON
BRIDGE AUTHORITY



U.S. Department of Transportation
Federal Highway Administration



HNTB

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