



City of
**Santa
Monica**

Pier Bridge Replacement Project

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

1. What is the Santa Monica Pier Bridge Replacement Project?

The Santa Monica Pier Bridge Replacement Project aims to replace the existing 86-year-old bridge with a new, seismically sound, and functional bridge that enhances accessibility for pedestrians, bikers, vehicles, and pier visitors.

2. Where is the bridge located?

The new bridge will replace the existing structure that connects Ocean Avenue and Colorado Avenue to the Santa Monica Pier.

3. Why is the bridge being fully replaced and not retrofitted instead?

The current bridge, constructed in 1939, has structural deficiencies and does not meet modern seismic and safety standards. Additionally, a retrofit was considered over 10 years ago, but federal and state agencies required a full replacement as part of the funding agreement. The new bridge will address these concerns while improving visitor access and maintaining the existing visual aesthetics of the area.

4. What improvements will the new bridge offer?

The redesigned bridge will feature:

- A brand-new bridge that will last for the next 75+ years
- Resilient infrastructure ahead of the 2028 Olympics
- A wider (15-foot) sidewalk on the south side
- Improved pedestrian and vehicle access
- Preservation of the bridge's existing character and aesthetics

5. Will construction impact pier access?

While some temporary disruptions may occur, the City of Santa Monica will implement advertising and temporary signage to ensure access to the pier is maintained and businesses near the project area are minimally impacted.

6. How long will construction last?

Construction is expected to take approximately two years, beginning in late 2025 and concluding before the Los Angeles 2028 Summer Olympics.

7. What is the project timeline?



8. What is the estimated budget for the project?

The estimated budget for the project is \$30 million.

9. Who is funding the project?

The project is primarily funded through the Federal Highway Bridge Program (HBP).

10. Where can I find more information?

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