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# Replacement of the 31<sup>ST</sup> Street, NW Bridge over C&O Canal (Bridge No. 3) DCKA-2018-C-0056 FAP No:2017(037)



31<sup>st</sup> Street Bridge over C&O Canal

# Construction Management Weekly Report 11/30/2019 – 12/06/2019

Project Website: <u>www.31stStreetBridge.com</u>

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# **1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

# **Project Description**

Work under this contract consists of the replacement of the 31st Street Bridge over the C&O Canal in Georgetown. The existing two-span bridge superstructure is to be removed in its entirety and replaced by a new single-span, steel, multi-girder superstructure on new independent abutments constructed behind the existing canal walls. The proposed bridge will have a reinforced concrete deck. The existing canal walls are to remain in place with minor wall maintenance. The existing historic pier is to be removed, salvaged, rehabilitated, and reset in its original location, but will no longer support the bridge. Minor approach roadway reconstruction and sidewalk improvements are also part of the project. Service via existing utilities that currently hang on the bridge must be maintained throughout construction.

# Proposed work will include but not be limited to:

- Installation of a temporary pedestrian bridge prior to construction in order to maintain pedestrian access across the C&O Canal at all times
- Installation of temporary structures required to laterally support existing Canal Walls
- Removal, salvage and restoration of the historic pier
- Installation of temporary utility supports during construction, protection of existing utilities, and coordination with utility companies for relocation prior to bridge replacement
- Removal, relocation and installation of various utility components, manholes, and related items
- Installation and removal of a portable dam system within the canal
- Removal, storage and reinstallation of existing street light poles and sign posts
- Removal, storage and reinstallation of the stone monument, wooden sign posts, and Canal Wall elements
- Removal and disposal of the existing bridge superstructure in its entirety, and construction of new abutments and superstructure
- Construction of
  - o Granite curb
  - o Brick gutter
  - PCC base with brick/tile sidewalk
  - Wheelchair/bicycle ramps
- Installation of pedestrian railing



# 2. STATUS OF CONSTRUCTION / PROGRESS SUMMARY

**Progress Summary:** Fort Myer Construction Company (FMCC) implemented the project detour on June 11, 2019 and set up the construction zone perimeter. The pedestrian bridge was delivered, assembled, and set on the abutments; and opened for use on June 28, 2019. NPS continues to maintain water flow in the canal, and the cofferdams are working properly. The pier footing investigation was completed, and the pier restoration plan is progressing, pending comments on the submitted Conservator report. The water main relocation and installation of the Canal wall support is completed. Demolition of existing bridge deck has resumed. Demolition of Verizon wood conduits (by Verizon) was completed. Removal of the beams located in the middle of Verizon conduits completed. Micropile drilling on the south side of the bridge was completed. Drilling on the north side will start on December 2, 2019 and completed on December 6, 2019.

**Ongoing Issues / Items:** Verizon and Pepco utilities relocation – occurring concurrently with the bridge project under separate contracts - and coordinating with both stakeholders. Redesign of beams completed to accommodate Verizon conduits in-place.

#### New Issues / Items: None currently

Action Items: Verizon to provide schedule for asbestos mitigation; Pepco to provide schedule for conduit relocation.

#### New Action Items: None currently

# 3. MEETINGS / PROJECT COORDINATION

• Progress Meeting No. 16 is scheduled for Wednesday December 11, 2019.

# 4. DAILY WORK PERFORMED

#### Field construction activities performed during this period:

#### Saturday - 11/30/2019

- The 31<sup>st</sup> Street detour remained in effect and FMCC continued providing local and business traffic access at M and K Streets.
- The contractor did not work on this date.

# Sunday - 12/01/2019

- The 31<sup>st</sup> Street detour remained in effect and FMCC continued providing local and business traffic access at M and K Streets.
- The contractor did not work on this date.

#### Monday - 12/02/2019

- The 31<sup>st</sup> Street detour remained in effect and FMCC continued providing local and business traffic access at M and K Streets.
- CCGI continued the micropile drilling at the north side of the bridge.
- Verizon subcontractor (ASI) started the asbestos removal at the existing Verizon conduits located at the southwest side of the bridge. ASI mistakenly cut approximately 16 live cables and triggered a service outage. Verizon was notified and repair work to mitigate the outage started.



# Tuesday – 12/03/2019

- The 31<sup>st</sup> Street detour remained in effect and FMCC continued providing local and business traffic access at M and K Streets.
- The Micropile subcontractor (CCGI) did not work on this date, as the entire work zone was occupied by Verizon crews continuing the outage repair work.

#### Wednesday - 12/04/2019

- The 31<sup>st</sup> Street detour remained in effect and FMCC continued providing local and business traffic access at M and K Streets.
- The Micropile subcontractor (CCGI) resumed the drilling operation at the north side of the bridge.
- Verizon continued the outage repair work.
- ASI resumed the asbestos removal work and removed section of the asbestos at the damaged Verizon line.

#### Thursday – 12/05/2019

- The 31<sup>st</sup> Street detour remained in effect and FMCC continued providing local and business traffic access at M and K Streets.
- The Micropile subcontractor (CCGI) continued the drilling operation at the north side of the bridge.
- The painting subcontractor Titan conducted an environmental contamination test and collected soil samples from the canal.
- Per NPS approval, FMCC trimmed the tree branches located at the north west side of the bridge.
- Verizon continued the outage repair work.
- Friday 12/06/2019
- The 31<sup>st</sup> Street detour remained in effect and FMCC continued providing local and business traffic access at M and K Streets.
- The Micropile subcontractor (CCGI) completed the drilling operation at the north side of the bridge.
- The painting subcontractor (Titan) started the installation of containment and protection shield.
- Verizon continued the outage repair work.

# 4. PUBLIC OUTREACH

Public Outreach performed during this period:

- Responded to citizen and business inquiries.
- Communicated with BID and ANC about Verizon outage.

# 5. INSPECTION & MATERIAL TESTS PERFORMED

• None at this time.

# 6. CHANGE ORDERS / TASK ORDER

 Processing combined Change Order for Micropiles VEP, Pepco conduit encasement demolition, and for the bedrock excavation at the pier footings.

# 7. DBE PARTICIPATION SUMMARIES

- None at this time.
- 8. ACCIDENTS / INCIDENTS
- There were no reported accidents within the project limits this week.





Damaged Verizon Conduits



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Verizon Repairs Crews at the North Side of the Bridge

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