



# Gerald Desmond Bridge Replacement Project

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## WEBCAMS PROVIDE SAFE VIEW OF PORT BRIDGE PROJECT

### Commuters, Residents Can Follow Construction, Real-Time Traffic

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With construction activities on the Gerald Desmond Bridge Replacement Project underway, the Port of Long Beach is providing live web cameras for residents, commuters and bridge aficionados to safely view construction. The webcams offer 24-hour views of the Gerald Desmond Bridge construction area at [newgdbridge.com](http://newgdbridge.com) and through the project's mobile smartphone [app](#).

With three, strategically placed live cameras, viewers can see real-time activities, monitor bridge and roadway traffic, and follow the bridge construction as it progresses.

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Stay up-to-date on the Gerald Desmond Bridge with views from this construction camera and interactive archive calendar. Select any date and time to see what happened on the construction site that day. Choose your favorite image and share via email, Facebook and Twitter. Watch a time-lapse movie to see all the project progress to date. Images are updated every 15 minutes to provide a fresh look at the jobsite.



"There is a tremendous amount of public interest in the construction of this

new bridge,” said John Pope, Port of Long Beach Community Relations Manager. “However, there is not a safe, accessible vantage point within the Port to view construction activities. These new webcams offer the best, safest way for everyone to experience the historic construction of what will be an iconic bridge for our city.”

The new bridge will rise right adjacent to the existing Gerald Desmond Bridge, sometimes bringing crews and construction equipment within just a few feet of the existing span. With towers eventually reaching more than 500 feet into the air, multiple cranes being used to create foundations, and a seldom-seen high-rise construction mobile scaffolding system, the bridge project will provide a stunning visual experience.

“We expect these cameras to be popular with local residents as well as bridge aficionados from across the globe,” Pope said.

A combination of live streaming video and high resolution cameras were placed at three locations: the World Trade Center rooftop facing west toward the bridge; at Pier A facing south; and at Pier T facing north. These viewpoints will allow viewers to follow along as the replacement bridge is being built and when the existing bridge is eventually demolished. Tools on the site allow users to control the cameras for a better view, including zooming in and out and selecting full-screen views. A special feature provides one minute time-lapse videos from still shots taken at noon each day.

The web cameras can also be accessed through the project smartphone app. To download the app, search for “LB Bridge” in the App Store, Google Play or Windows Phone Store.

The new bridge will be one of the tallest cable-stayed bridges in the United States and the first of its kind in California. Key features of the new bridge include additional traffic lanes, a bike path, pedestrian path and scenic observation decks. The existing Gerald Desmond Bridge will be demolished once the new bridge is completed.

The replacement project will allow the Gerald Desmond Bridge to remain in use while the new bridge is under construction. The new bridge is among \$4 billion in current and planned improvements to further modernize the Port of Long Beach and keep it competitive. Work on the new bridge will generate an estimated 3,000 jobs.

This project is a joint effort of the California Department of Transportation and the Port of Long Beach with funding also from the U.S. Department of Transportation and the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority.

A joint venture team of Shimmick Construction Co. Inc., FCC Construcción S.A. and Impregilo S.p. A. (SFI JV) is the prime contractor for the design and construction of the replacement bridge.

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