



# Mid-Currituck Bridge

## Project Update – Spring 2019

The Record of Decision for the Mid-Currituck Bridge project has been received from the Federal Highway Administration, signifying final Federal approval of the project. The project is expected to reduce travel times and congestion, improve hurricane evacuation clearance times, and increase access for residents and visitors to the Outer Banks.

Next steps for the project include developing final design plans, continuing coordination with environmental resource and regulatory agencies, preparing permit applications and acquiring right of way for the project. For information regarding NCDOT's right-of-way acquisition process, please visit: <https://connect.ncdot.gov/business/ROW/Pages/ROW-Support.aspx>

The Plan of Finance for the project, expected to be complete in Summer 2020, will be further developed over the next year as traffic and revenue studies are completed, funding applications are prepared, and other Federal financial requirements are met.

NCDOT anticipates starting the design-build procurement process for the project late this year in anticipation of a contract being awarded in 2020. Construction could begin in 2021 and be completed in late 2024 to early 2025.

These dates could change as funding and project priorities are adjusted over the next few years. Further information on the project can be found on the Mid-Currituck Bridge project website at [www.ncdot.gov/projects/mid-currituck-bridge](http://www.ncdot.gov/projects/mid-currituck-bridge). The project's toll-free information line remains available, at 800-961-5465, and the study team can also be reached via email at [midcurrituck@ncdot.gov](mailto:midcurrituck@ncdot.gov).

## Upcoming Activity in the Project Area

NCDOT and the Turnpike Authority have selected H. W. Lochner, Inc. (Lochner) to assist with development of the project. Before construction can begin, Lochner and their team of subconsultants (Golder Associates, Wetherill Engineering, and Moffat-Nichol) need to do additional field work to identify resources that are currently in the project study area. State law allows representatives of the project team to enter upon any lands and structures to carry out and perform their duties in relation to the proposed project. (North Carolina General Statute §136-120)

In the coming months, representatives wearing orange safety vests will make every attempt to notify residents of their entrance onto properties. They may place certain flags or stakes to identify the presence of resources on the property. The markers do not indicate the location of the proposed transportation project but are very important in the project process, so we ask that you do not move or disturb the markers.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact toll-free project hotline at (800) 961-5465, or email the project team at [midcurrituck@ncdot.gov](mailto:midcurrituck@ncdot.gov).

