RICHMOND SAN RAFAEL BRIDGE JOINT REPLACEMENT

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THANK YOU, BAY AREA MOTORISTS!

Caltrans and the Bay Area Toll Authority thank you for your continued patience as we work to replace 31 joints on the upper deck of the Richmond-San Rafael Bridge.

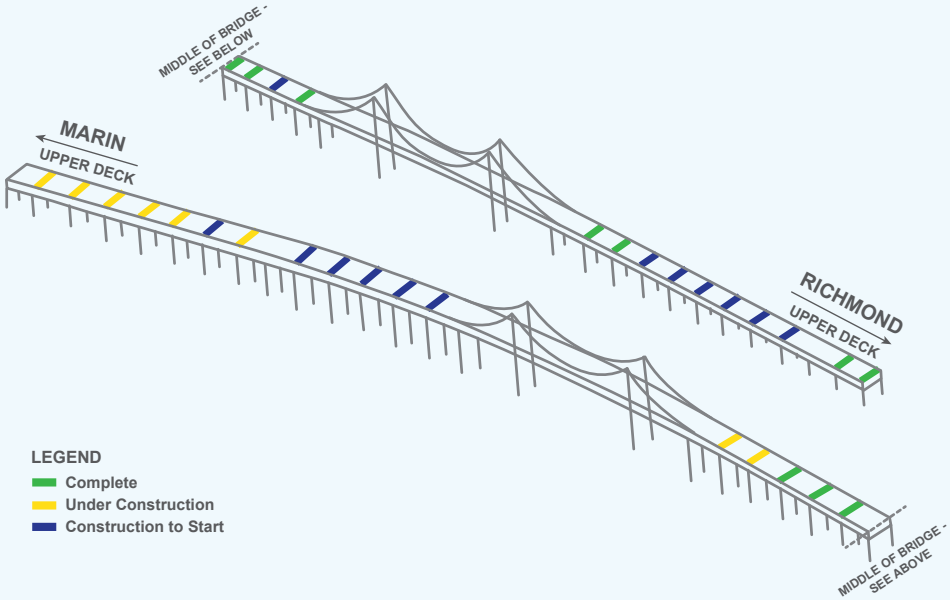
We know this work is inconvenient to you and greatly appreciate your understanding as we perform this essential work on this workhorse bridge, which has served the Bay Area for the past 63 years!

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Each of the original joints, which date back to the mid-1950s, is being replaced by a new joint that features a rubberized seal designed to shrink and expand with the changing temperatures. This will prevent cracking of the surrounding concrete road deck.

The good news is that we have picked up the pace and are now on target to complete replacement of at least two joints each week. We anticipate finishing the joint replacement work on the bridge's upper deck in July.

JOINT REPLACEMENT PROGRESS



PROGRESS BY THE NUMBERS:

10 of the 31 joints have now been replaced.

WORK HAPPENING THE WEEK OF APRIL 22:

We will be continuing to work on replacing eleven of the joints on the western end of the bridge.

Trucks with ground-penetrating radar, hi-res video cameras and other equipment will survey the condition of the bridge decks.

WHAT TO EXPECT

- To minimize impacts to commute traffic, we're doing the joint replacement work at night. Expect lane closures most nights from 9 pm to 5 am.
- Thin steel plates are being installed at work locations. Drivers can pass over these plates at the posted speed. There is no need to slow for these plates.
- Please visit **511.org** or the **Caltrans Quickmap** for real-time info on travel conditions.
- Drive safely and **Be Work Zone Alert** when workers are present!

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