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I-10 Bridge Task Force Reports from Meeting with LA DOTD

Members of the I-10 Bridge Task Force recently met with the supervising personnel of the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development to discuss progress on plans for a new I-10 Calcasieu River Bridge.

“COVID has impacted this project like many other activities, but we have not stopped working with state and federal elected officials and transportation staff during this time to keep attention focused on the critical need for a replacement for our current bridge,” says Task Force Chairman Keith DuRousseau. “We are pleased to report that even with the effect of the pandemic, LADOTD stated it intends to complete several important milestones we have been working toward by the end of 2020.”

The completion of the following milestones are included in this commitment:

- Traffic, noise and safety analyses to ensure acceptable levels of service
- Public meeting number four to gather input from the public on the preferred alternative route
- Cultural resource investigations and updated environmental site assessments
- Preparation of a draft EIS (Environmental Impact Study)
- Navigation assessment to support the design height of the replacement bridge
- Conceptual engineering and preliminary cost estimates for the road and bridge

DuRousseau says the Task Force anticipates continued progress will be made toward the replacement of the I-10 Calcasieu River Bridge in 2021.

Learn more about the I-10 Calcasieu River Bridge Task Force’s efforts to securing funding for a replacement bridge at www.buildourbridge.org.