



Third Crossing March look ahead

Over the last several months construction activity on the east shore has been steadily increasing as in-water work on the Third Crossing ramps up. To keep you up-to-date a list of work activities for the month of March is outlined below.

Building temporary in-water access roads and a trestle bridge

Work on the temporary rock causeway - which is the first step in building a permanent bridge as it provides access for crews to work from - began on the west shore in late December 2019 and will continue into the Summer. Work on the temporary rock causeway on the east shore commenced in January and was completed in February. The east shore rock causeway will transition to a temporary trestle bridge.

In February, work started on building a temporary trestle bridge. Made by using a framework of steel pipe piles, the trestle bridge is built closer to the east shore of the Cataraqui River. The temporary trestle bridge will maintain public marine access through the navigation channel during the boating season with the bridge raising up and down to allow boats to pass underneath.

Photos of temporary rock causeway being built on the west shore

Placing wildlife passages

The care and protection of wildlife is a central consideration of the project. Two of five wildlife passages have been placed in the Cataraqui River. These passages allow for the safe and active passage of turtles and wildlife through the temporary rock causeway during construction. Crews will be installing the remaining three passages in the rock causeway throughout the Spring. Once the bridge is complete, the wildlife passages will be removed as aquatic wildlife will be able to pass freely under the bridge.

Photo of the installation of the second wildlife passage

Installing the east side noise wall

Residents along Gore Rd. closest to the east shore project site and visitors to the Pittsburgh District Library will have seen crews installing a permanent noise fence. This is an important aspect the team wanted in place before the start of heavy construction and it's on track to be complete by the end of March.

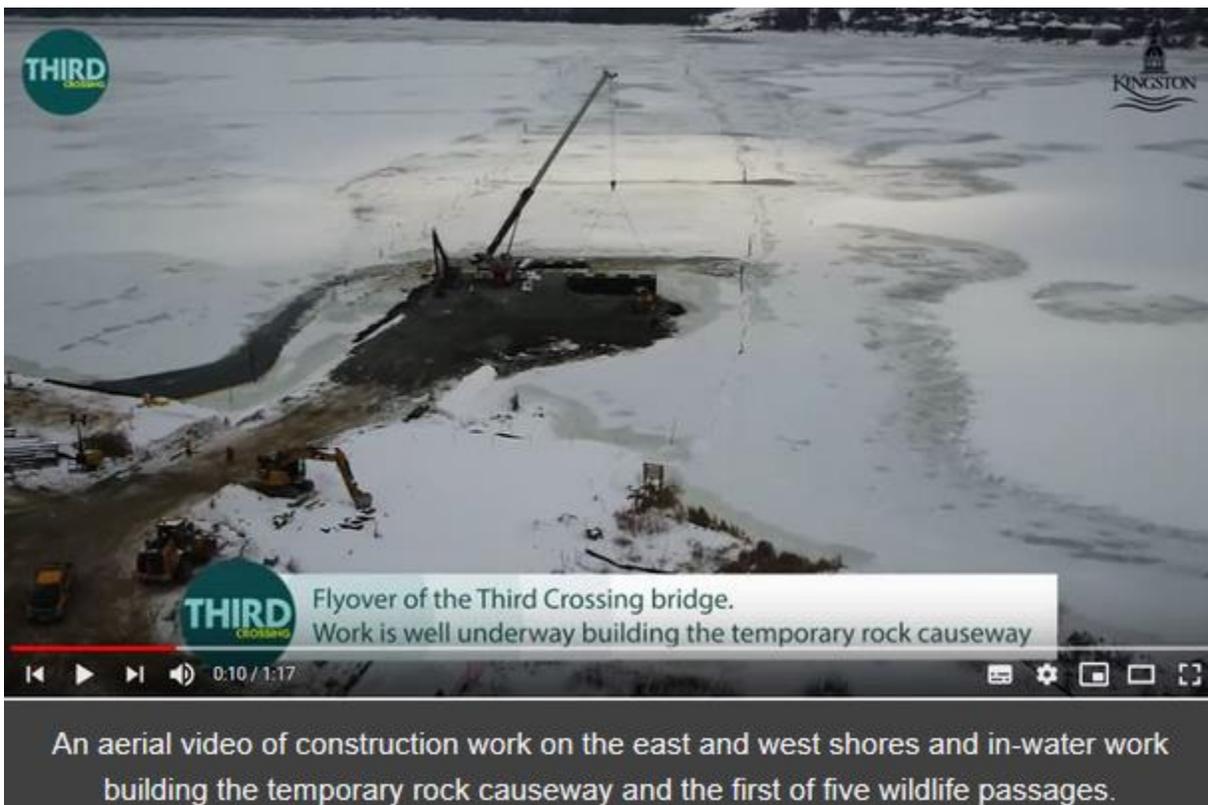
Continuing the abutment work

Over the next couple of months, crews will also be installing the footings at the ends of the bridge otherwise known as 'abutment work'. The abutments connect the bridge to the east and west shore embankments. This work is significant as it's really marks the beginning of the first permanent part of the

bridge being built.

Photos showing the west abutment drilling

New aerial video highlights construction work through February



About The Third Crossing Bridge

Once completed, the new 1.2 km bridge will connect the east and west sides of Kingston over the Cataraqui River. The two-lane bridge will improve emergency services, increase active transportation through a multi-use pedestrian and bike pathway, create greater business connectivity and enhance the quality of life for the residents and visitors of

Kingston and the City of Kingston, Ontario and the City of Kingston.

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