

# CHESTER BRIDGE DESIGN-BUILD PROJECT

## WELCOME TO THE CHESTER BRIDGE DESIGN-BUILD PROJECT COMMUNITY BRIEFING.

The current Chester Bridge was originally constructed in 1942. It was re-constructed in 1944 after a severe storm destroyed the main span. Over the course of seven decades, the Chester Bridge has become less functional for modern vehicles. Although the bridge is safe for travel, this aging structure is considered to be in poor condition.

In September of 2021, the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission approved an amendment to the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program to fund the Chester Bridge Replacement Project. The new bridge will be built using the Design-Build project delivery method.

## WHAT EXACTLY IS DESIGN-BUILD?

Design-Build is a delivery method that allows MoDOT to hire one contracting team to design and construct a project. Unlike traditional design-bid-build, this allows the design and construction to happen almost simultaneously. Design-Build has been shown to save significant time and money.



To learn more about Design-Build, please visit  
**[MODOT.ORG/DESIGN-BUILD-INFORMATION](https://www.modot.org/design-build-information)**

## WHAT WILL THE NEW BRIDGE LOOK LIKE?

Since this is a Design-Build project, what the bridge ultimately looks like and exactly where it will go will be up to the selected contracting team. The selected team, often called the Best Value Proposer, will be the team that puts forth a project that best meets the Project Goals.

## WHEN WILL CONSTRUCTION BEGIN?

- August/September 2022** Request for Proposals released
- March 2023** Contractor selected
- Spring 2023** Construction begins
- December 2026** Project Complete

## WHAT ARE THE PROJECT GOALS?

### The Project Goals are:



Replace both structures within the project budget using durable 100-year, low maintenance structure(s).



Provide a safe and reliable transportation solution for all modes of transportation.



Complete the project no later than December 1, 2026 with the least impacts to all modes of transportation.



Deliver the project safely while utilizing a diverse workforce.

The Chester Bridge Design-Build project will replace the aging Mississippi River bridge that connects Chester, Illinois to Perry County, Missouri. Construction on the new bridge is expected to begin in Spring 2023 and be complete in December 2026.

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