The northbound span of the Interstate Bridge will close September 12–20, 2020 as crews replace mechanical parts that help lift and lower the bridge. The southbound span will remain open to traffic in both directions.

CONSTRUCTION IMPACTS
AUGUST–OCTOBER 2020
While the heaviest traffic impacts will occur during the closure of the northbound span of the bridge, travelers will experience impacts throughout construction.

9-DAY CLOSURE
INTERSTATE BRIDGE SEPTEMBER 2020
Look inside to read about bridge maintenance and traffic impacts.

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WHY DOES THE BRIDGE NEED TO CLOSE IN SEPTEMBER?
In September, crews will replace a trunnion and other parts that help lift and lower the bridge. These custom-made pieces are still in fabrication and scheduled for delivery in August before the September closure.

The bridge closure is scheduled for September due to the low river levels, which allow most vessels to travel under the Interstate Bridge without a bridge lift. This is essential for marine traffic. The Columbia River is an international shipping channel and, before any section of the river under the bridge is closed, we must coordinate with the U.S. Coast Guard, shipping companies and other river users.
TRAVEL STRATEGIES

Everyone can help reduce congestion during the closure by using options such as delaying or shifting trips, biking, taking transit, or working from home or another location when possible.

Visit our regional transportation partners’ websites to find more information on travel strategies.

*Please follow all current public health guidelines and recommendations for travel practices.

FIND AND SHARE A RIDE*

Get There is an easy-to-use trip planner that will get you where you need to go.

C-TRAN and TriMet are great options for your trip and help ease congestion. Bus travel will be expedited during the closure by routing buses on the shoulder of the freeway in select areas.

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We are currently seeing lower than usual traffic volumes on our roads. The congestion referenced here is expected if traffic volumes return to normal levels. If they remain low, congestion impacts will not be as severe.