

# New Harbor Bridge Replacement Project

Corpus Christi District

## Settlement Facts

The Settlement Agreement resolves all disputes that contributed to the project's five-year delay. Numerous disputes arose over schedule impacts and costs related to items such as:

- Contract interpretations;
- Global pandemic;
- Right-of-way acquisition;
- Utility relocation;
- Permitting; and
- Removal and replacement of the original New Harbor Bridge engineer of record.

The settlement is a compromise for damages resulting from these delays.

The settlement amount is being funded by unallocated State Highway funds. Local entities will not incur any additional costs, and this will not impact any current or future projects.

The safety concerns previously identified by TxDOT were exclusively related to the New Harbor Bridge structure. FDLLC has successfully worked with TxDOT to address those safety concerns and is in the process of implementing agreed-upon solutions to the satisfaction of TxDOT. In light of this significant progress, TxDOT is withdrawing the notice of default issued in 2022.

The Settlement Agreement establishes the New Harbor Bridge opening in spring 2025 with a project completion, including the demolition of the existing bridge, in spring 2026.

## Project Profile

This project replaces the existing Harbor Bridge spanning the Corpus Christi Ship Channel. Flatiron/Dragados LLC (FDLLC) is the developer of the \$803 million design-build project. The main span length of this concrete segmental, cable-stayed bridge will be 1,661 feet, the longest of its kind in the United States. It provides for 205 feet of clearance over Corpus Christi Ship Channel. The design-build contract was executed in September 2015 with construction commencing in December 2016.