

ABC Innovative Projects

<i>I-10 Bridge over Escambia Bay (original emergency repair)</i>					
Location	Interstate 10 over Escambia Bay in Escambia County in northwestern Florida				
State	Florida				
Owner	State				
Year ABC Built	2004				
State ID #	580058 / 580071				
NBI #	580058 / 580071				
Coordinates	Latitude:	30.515000		Longitude:	-87.1483333
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Mobility Impact Time	ABC:	17-day closure of westbound bridge; 63-day closure of eastbound bridge		Conventional:	Not an option.
Impact Category	<i>Tier 1</i>	<i>Tier 2</i>	<i>Tier 3</i>	Tier 4	<i>Tier 5</i>
				X	
Primary Driver(s)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • reduced onsite construction time • reduced traffic impacts 				
Description	<p>On September 16, 2004, the storm surge from Hurricane Ivan dropped 3,400 linear feet of bridge into the bay, causing the bridge to be closed to traffic in both directions. The detour length added at least an hour of travel time for all interstate traffic. On September 17, an emergency repair contract was signed to provide one lane in each direction.</p> <p>Existing Bridge: The existing bridge consisted of twin structures, each with two 12-ft-wide traffic lanes and two 6-ft-wide shoulders. Built in 1968, the bridge was heavily damaged when Hurricane Ivan struck the Pensacola area. During the hurricane, the impact of the storm surge pushed 58 spans off bridge supports and shifted another 66 spans. Conventional modular transporters on barges and a barge-mounted high-capacity crane were used to repair the bridges.</p> <p>[Note: Construction on a replacement bridge was initiated in 2006 while the existing bridge remained open. The wider (six-lane) replacement bridge was built with higher vertical clearance south of the existing bridge. After the replacement bridge opened in 2007, the original twin structures described herein were demolished.]</p> <p>Construction Methods: The 2004 repair contract had two construction phases. The westbound bridge was repaired in Phase I, and the eastbound bridge was repaired in Phase 2. In the westbound bridge, a total of 12 spans and seven piers were destroyed, and 19 spans were misaligned. In the eastbound bridge, a total of 51 spans and 25 piers were destroyed, and 33 spans were misaligned.</p> <p>In Phase 1, the contractor drove 28 new piles prior to lifting existing spans off the</p>				

eastbound bridge and placing them on missing sections of the westbound bridge. Misaligned westbound spans were adjusted and the westbound bridge was re-opened to one lane of traffic in each direction. In Phase 2, the contractor repaired the eastbound bridge with existing spans and 58 temporary Acrow (metal) panel deck spans. It was re-opened to one lane of traffic in November 2004. Permitted and over-sized vehicles were not allowed to travel on the temporarily repaired bridges.

Barge-mounted conventional modular transporters assisted in lifting spans off the eastbound substructure so that they could be floated to the westbound bridge side where they were set in place with a barge-mounted high-capacity ringer crane. The transporters on barges were also used to realign spans that had been shifted by the hurricane forces.

Phase 1 of the contract required the westbound bridge to be repaired and re-opened within 24 days. An incentive/disincentive clause of \$250,000 per day if less than or greater than 24 days was also included. The contractor opened one traffic lane in each direction on the westbound bridge in 17 days, earning a \$1.75 million bonus for opening seven days early.

Phase 2 of the contract required the eastbound bridge to be repaired and re-opened within 90 days. The contractor opened the eastbound bridge to one lane of traffic in 63 days, 27 days ahead of schedule.

Stakeholder Feedback:
Governor Bush praised the workers involved. He said: "The work that you did makes me and the 16.5 million Floridians proud."

Lessons Learned:
Because the project site had no electricity or running water, the design-build team and the FDOT staff moved to an office in Tallahassee. The office's efficient communication and coordination kept the project going 24/7.

High Performance Materials

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Project Planning

<i>Decision-Making Tools</i>	<i>Site Procurement</i>	<i>Procurement</i>	<i>Contracting</i>
•	•	• Design-build	• Emergency contract • Incentive / disincentive clauses

Geotechnical Solutions

<i>Foundations & Walls</i>	<i>Rapid Embankment</i>
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Structural Solutions

<i>Prefabricated Bridge Elements & Systems</i>			<i>Construction</i>
<i>Elements</i>	<i>Systems</i>	<i>Miscellaneous</i>	• Towed modular

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Steel pile caps 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reused decked conc. beam span (RDcBc) Metal panel deck spans 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> transport Transverse skids High-capacity crane on barge
Costs	\$26.4 million emergency contract.			
Funding	<i>Federal only</i>	<i>State only</i>	<i>Federal and State</i>	<i>Other</i>
	X			FEMA
Incentive Program (\$)	<i>Highways for LIFE</i>	<i>IBRD</i>	<i>SHRP2</i>	<i>Other</i>
Contract Plans	Complete Set:	Not available.	ABC *:	
Specifications	Complete Set:	Not available.	ABC *:	
Bid Tabs	Not available.			
Schedule	Engineer's:	Not available.	Actual:	
Other Related Information	2006 FICE / FDOT Design Conference Presentation (link to pdf)			
	FDOT Project Photos [http://www.dot.state.fl.us/Structures/botm/Escambial10/Escambia.htm]			
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* Specific to the ABC used in the project.