

Newington-Dover 11238S General Sullivan Bridge

Natural Resource
Agency Meeting

April 16, 2025



Coordination Meeting Purpose

- Review project background
- Project update and approach
- Review existing permits



USGS Map



Aerial View



Project Advertising and Bidding Results

- Past Two Project Bids
 1. July 2023 Ad,
Single Bid \$82.3 M
 2. Feb. 2024 Ad,
Single Bid \$84.9 M
- Both significantly over
Engineers Estimate

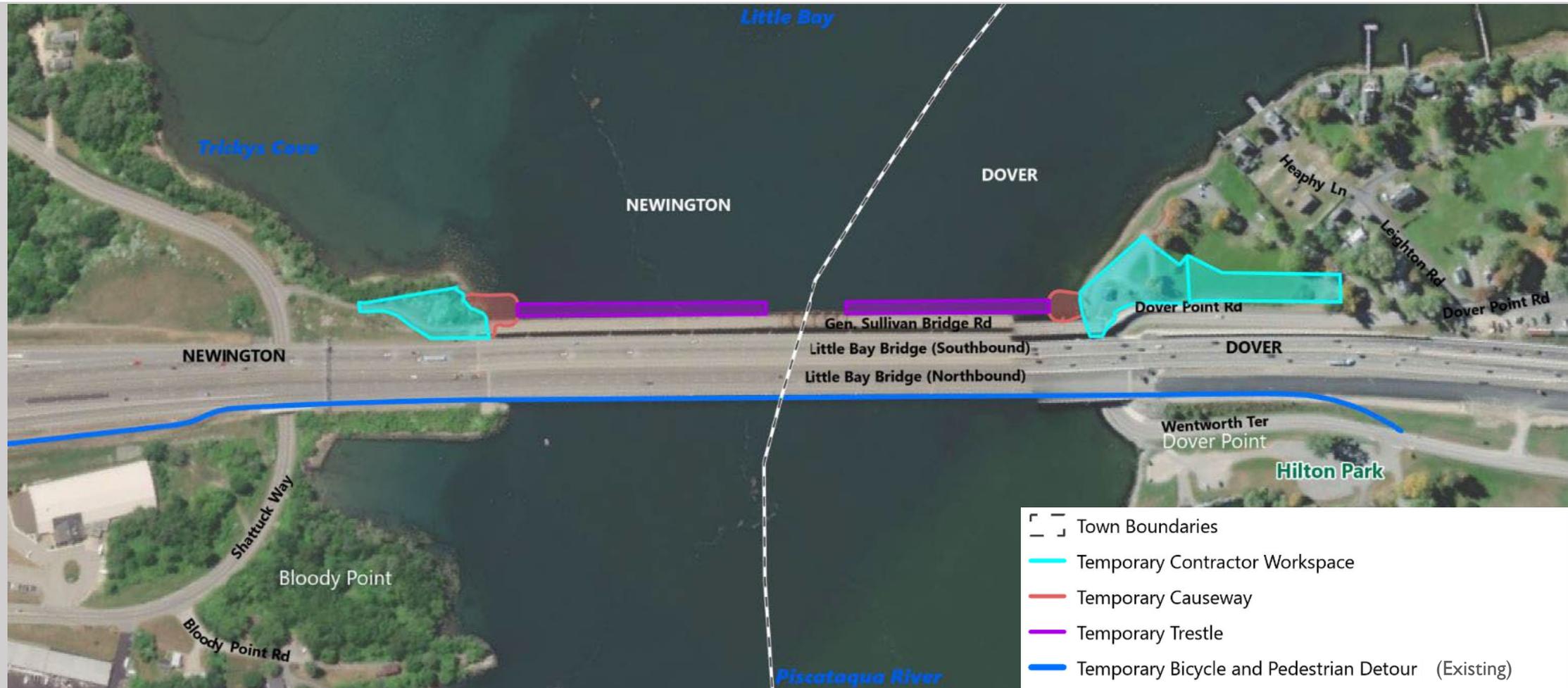


Stakeholders Meeting

Superstructure Removal Project (11238S)

- Advertise in Summer 2025
- Addresses safety concerns from marine users
- Helps with maximizing in-water work Nov. 15 to March 15
- Satisfies Section 106 MOA to preserve existing bridge elements at Woodman's, Hilton Park Dover Side, and Newington Historical Society
- Uses Natural Resource Permits already obtained

Temporary Construction Impacts



Superstructure Removal



Existing Travel Lanes SB and US 4 On-Ramp



Existing Travel Lanes SB and US 4 On-Ramp during Construction (April 2026 to Oct 2026)



Permitting Completed in 2023

- NHDES Standard Dredge and Fill Wetlands Permit (2023-00601) (*\$243,106 to ARM Fund, payment upon G&C approval*)
- Army Corps Statewide Programmatic General Permit (NAE-2022-01934)
- NHDES Shoreland Permit by Notification (2023-01711)
- Coastal Zone Management Act compliance

Natural Resources Endangered Species

- **Northern Long-eared bat**
 - No prior evidence of use of bridge for roosting (*updated bridge assessment anticipated spring 2025*)
 - Minor tree clearing anticipated
 - ESA Section 7 Finding:
May affect—likely to adversely affect
- **Roseate Tern**
 - Section 7 Finding: *No Effect*
- **Monarch Butterfly**
 - Future consultation if listed prior to construction



Photo: USFWS

Natural Resources Threatened & Endangered Species

Atlantic Sturgeon
Acipenser oxyrinchus ocyrinchus

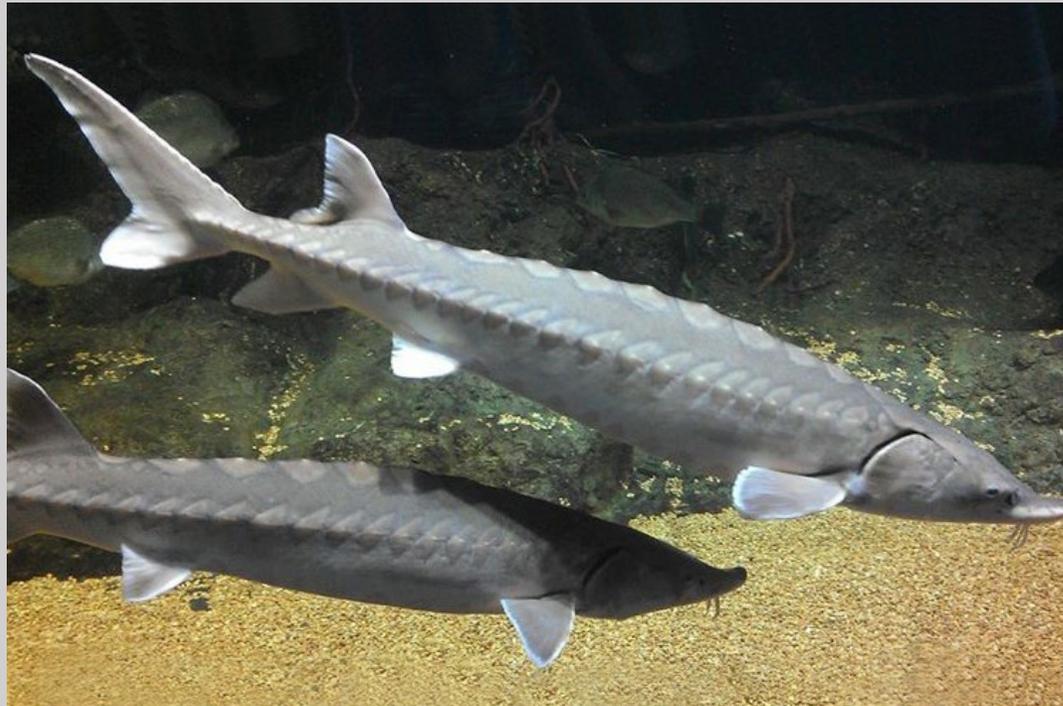


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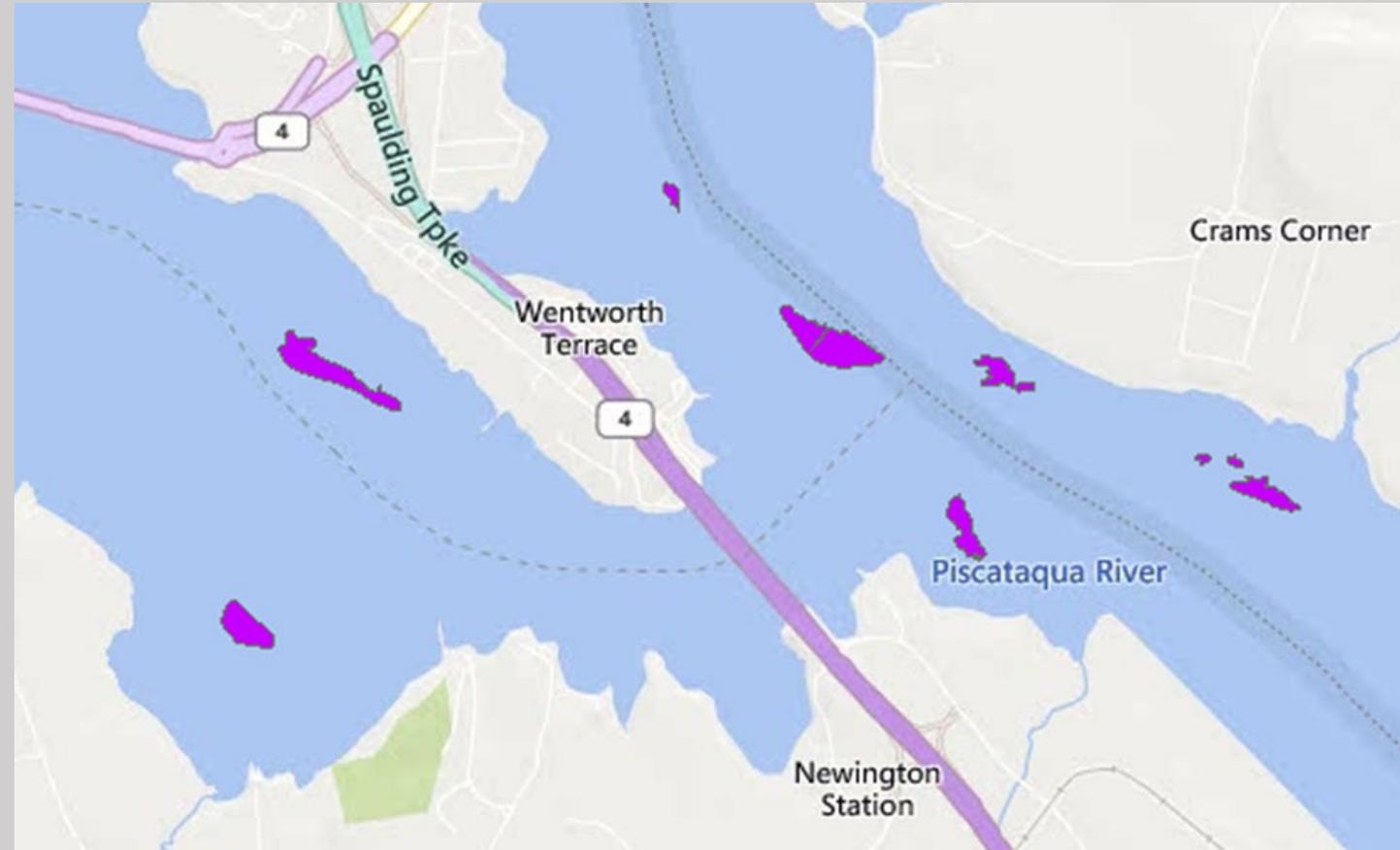
Shortnose Sturgeon
Acipenser brevirostrum



Shortnose sturgeon in the Connecticut River, CT.
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NHNHB Review

- Prolific yellow-flowered knotweed (*Polygonum ramosissimum* spp. *prolificum*)
- Smooth black sedge (*Carex nigra*)
- Cliff swallow (*Petrochelidon pyrrhonota*)
- Eelgrass beds (*Zostera marina*)



Project Next Steps

- **April 2025:** 90% Plan Submission and Pre-Ad Meeting
- **May 2025:** Front Office Meeting
- **June 2025:** Advertise Project
- **Oct. 2025 – Nov. 2026:** Construction Anticipated

Questions or Comments

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