

Bridging to Tomorrow Update (February 8, 2016)

Phase 2 of Traffic Bridge Demolition Is Complete

At 8:30 a.m. on Sunday, February 7, a portion of the far north span of the Traffic Bridge was successfully collapsed using explosive charges. Following a safety inspection and making the area secure, road closures and traffic detours are in the process of being lifted as is the 250 m exclusion zone.

Graham Commuter Partners (GCP) managed the demolition through their contract with Rakowski Cartage & Wrecking Ltd. The Saskatoon Police Service and Saskatoon Fire Department patrolled the area surrounding Traffic Bridge to ensure public safety.

Once the debris from the demolition is cleared, construction on the new bridge will continue. GCP remains hopeful that residents will start to see the first new southern span being erected by this summer.

The remaining middle span of the old bridge will be taken down as construction progresses. Details on future demolition dates will be shared as they are known.

The City wishes to thank residents, especially property owners and tenants within the exclusion zone, for their cooperation during this second phase of demolition.

Anyone interested in viewing progress of the Traffic Bridge construction can do so through a <u>live</u> webcam feed available on the GCP website.