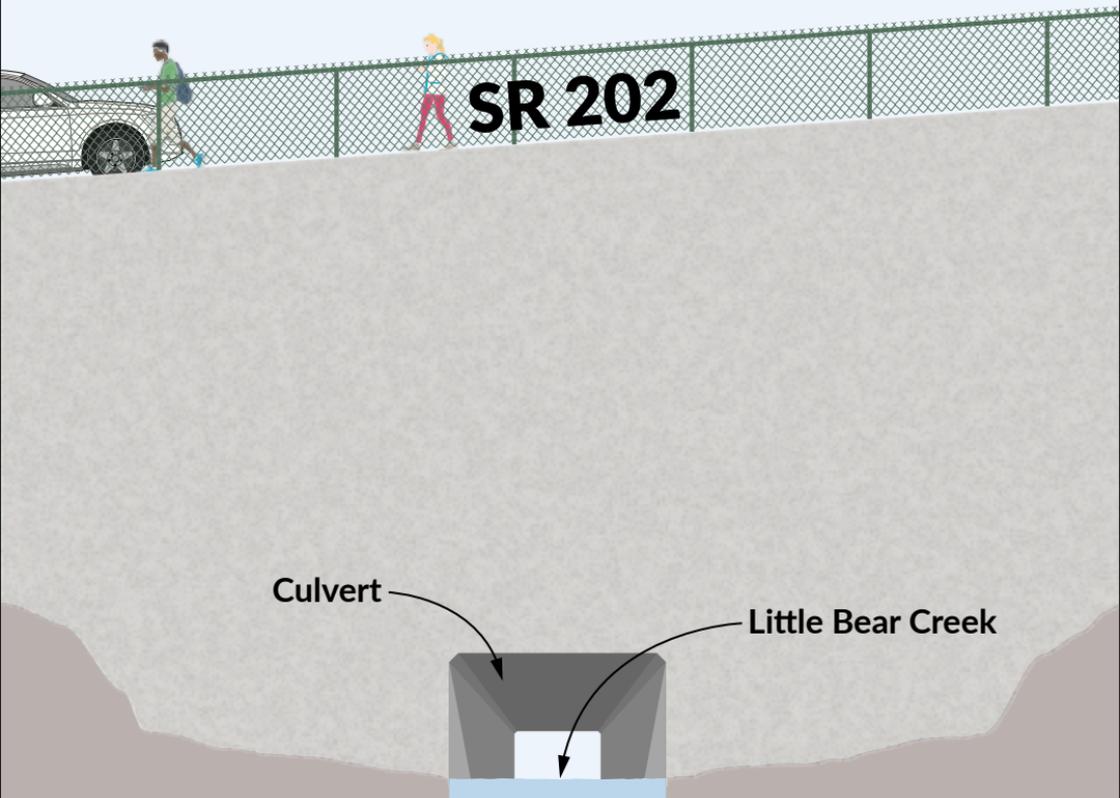
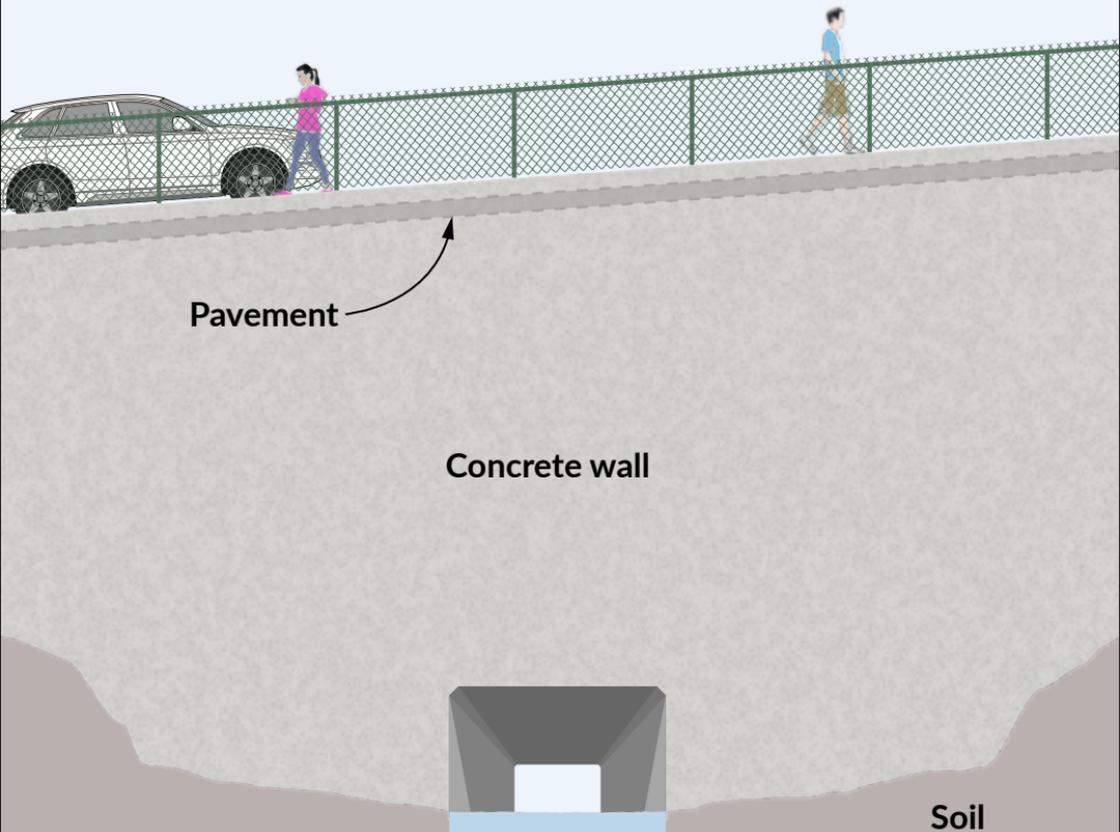


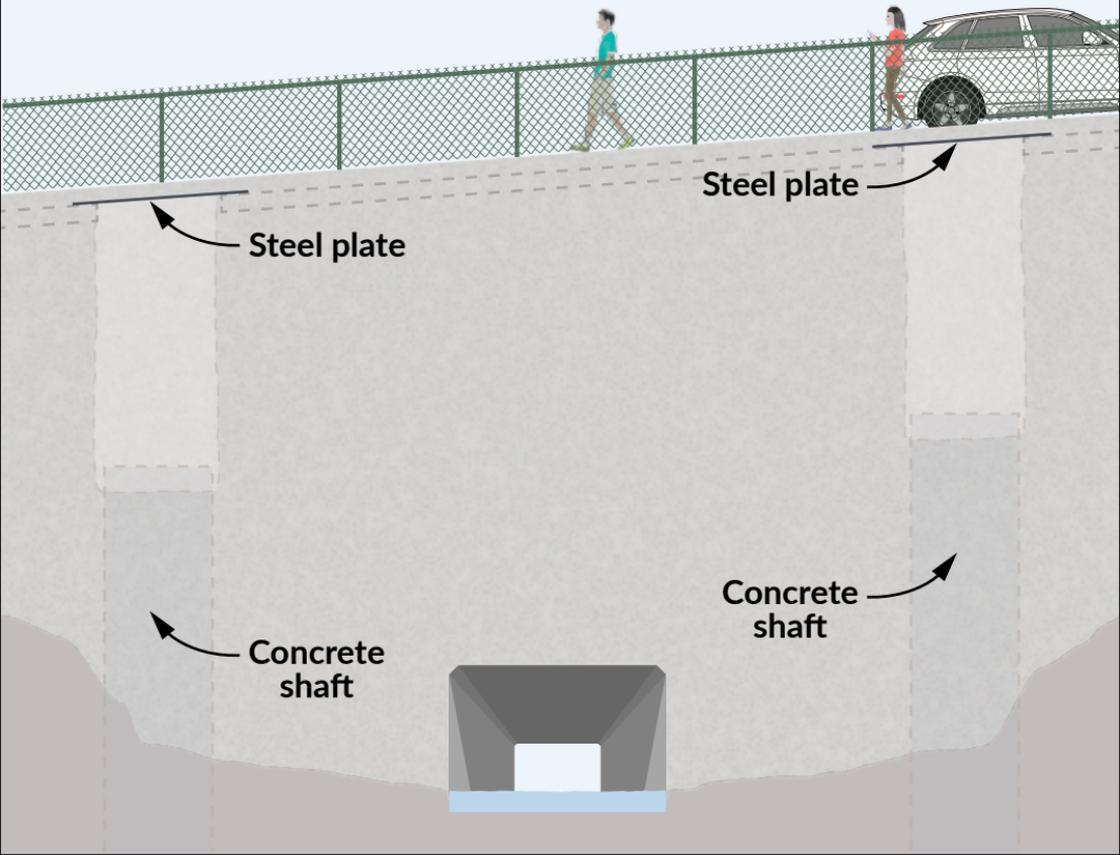
WSDOT will build a buried bridge under 131st Avenue N.E. (SR 202) in Woodinville to replace a culvert that's too small. Since the work zone space is quite limited, contractors will work from the top of the road first, with most of the activity occurring deep in the ground until we're ready to uncover the bridge. Scroll down to see how we'll build the buried bridge:



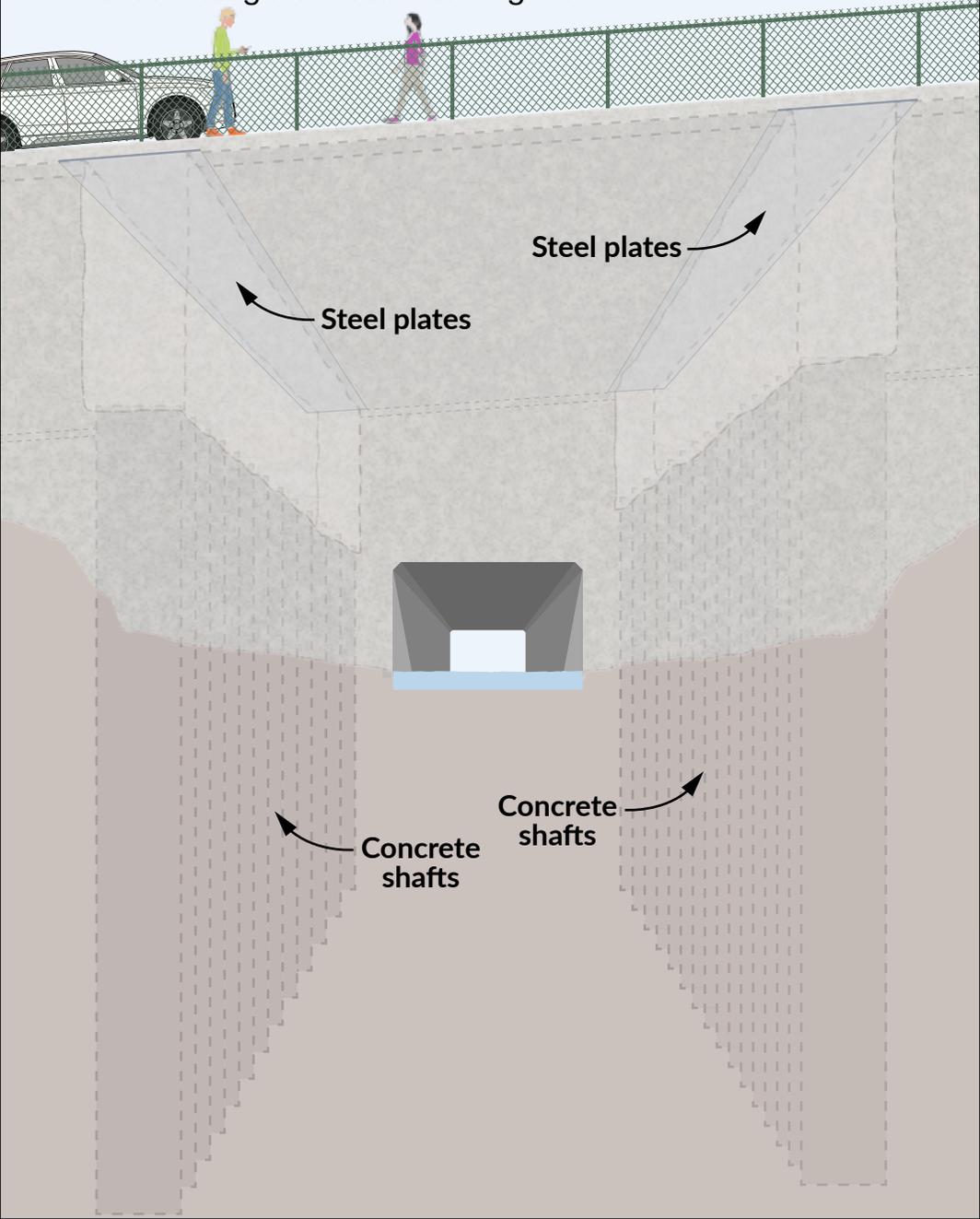
First, imagine you're standing in Little Bear Creek looking up at 131st Avenue N.E. (SR 202). There's a 30 foot wall rising between the creek and the road.



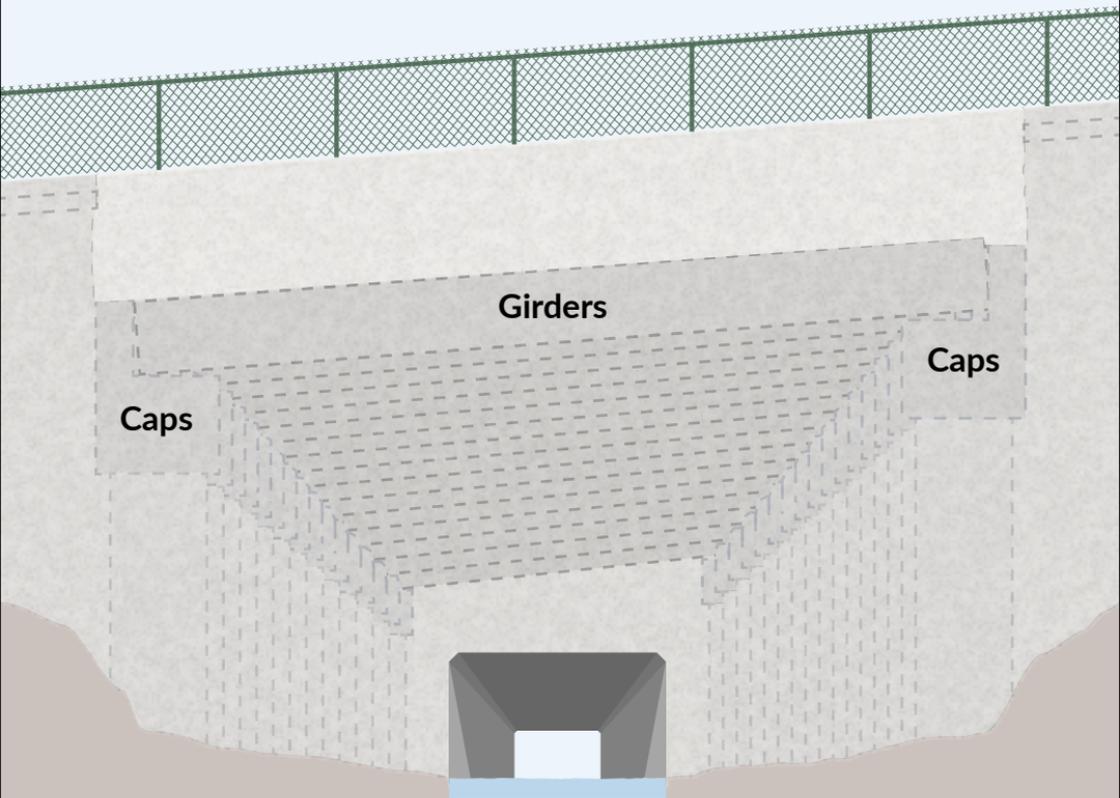
From the top of the road, crews will remove pavement and soil from behind the concrete wall. Steel plates will be placed on the road to cover the area.



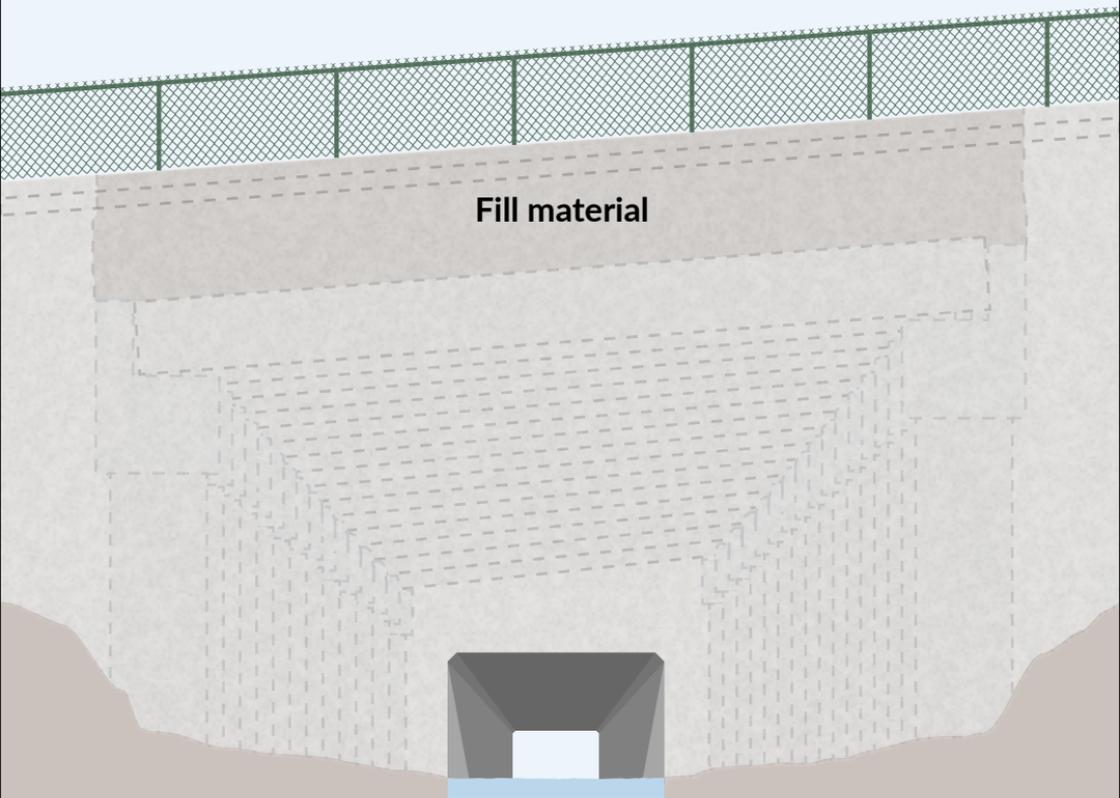
From the surface of the highway, crews will drill into the earth in order to place concrete shafts 60 feet into the ground. Remember all this work is taking place behind the existing concrete retaining wall.



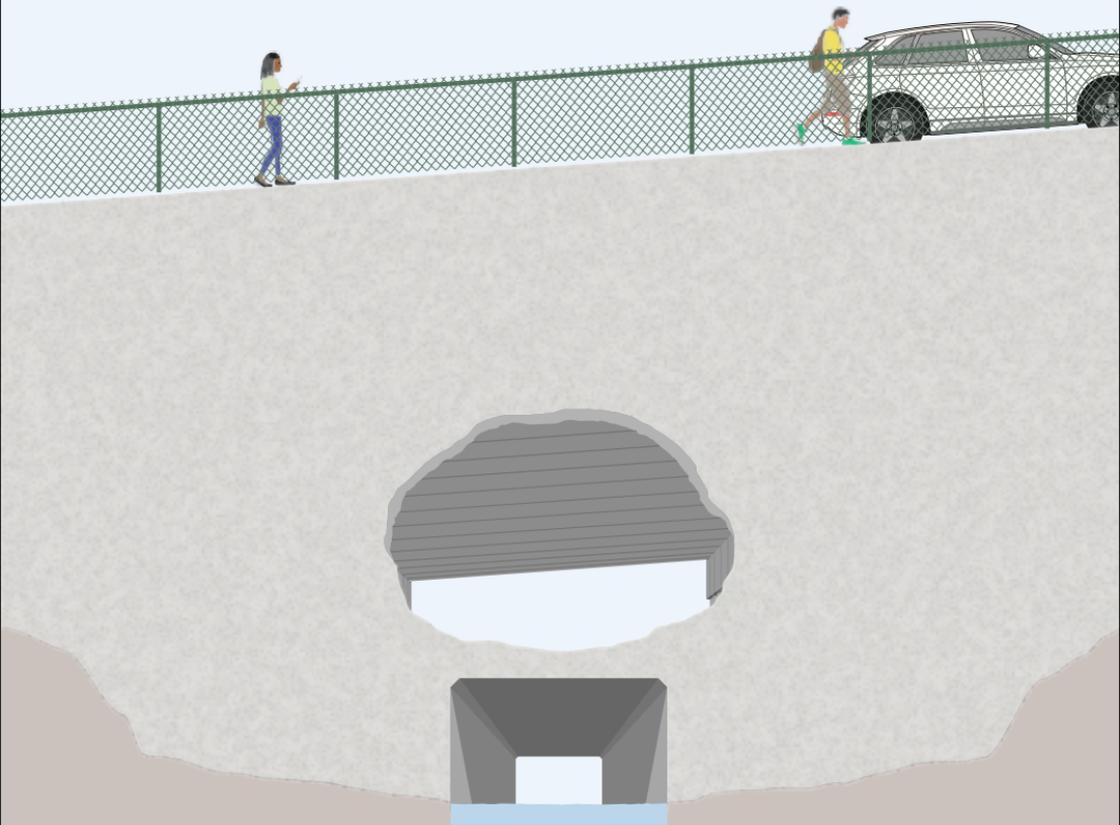
During a weekend closure, crews will remove the steel plates from the highway to expose the tops of the bridge supports. Girders will be placed on the bridge supports and caps.



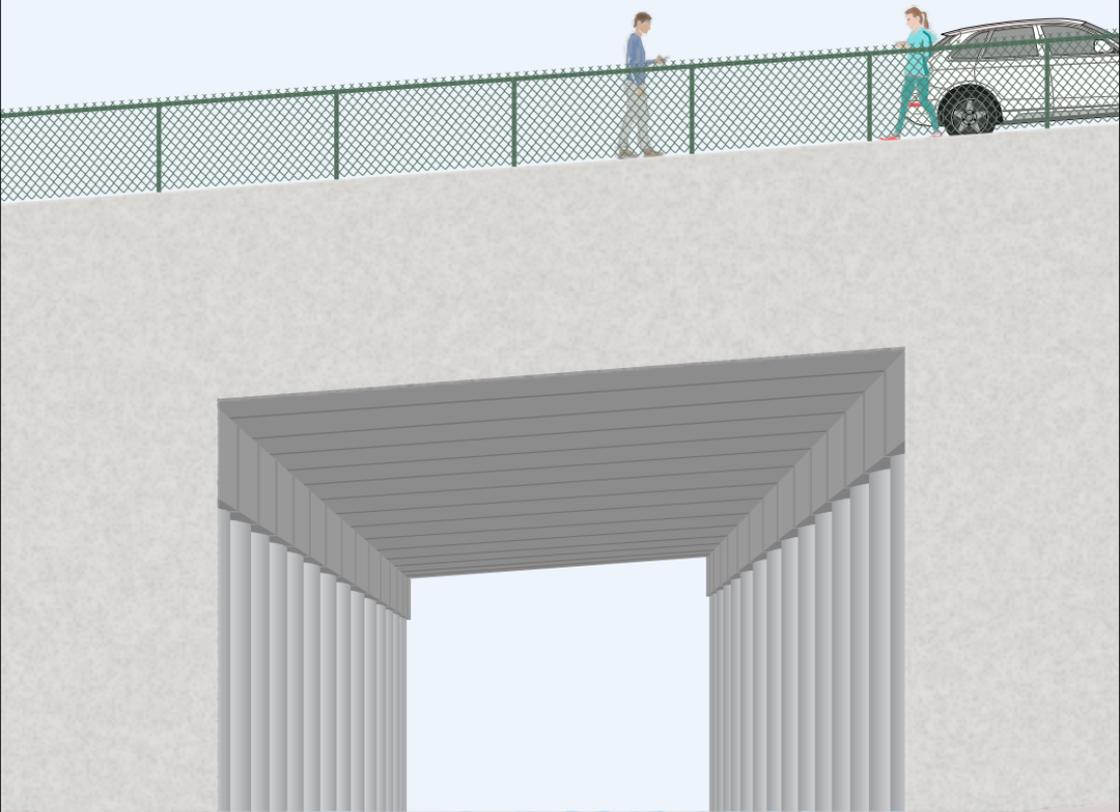
After the girders are installed, crews will place fill material on them and repave the highway.



From creek level, crews will begin breaking through the old concrete wall to expose the buried bridge, remove soil and the old culvert.



The buried bridge is uncovered. Additional concrete will be added to create smooth vertical walls.



Completed buried bridge

