

Pontoon drydock repairs - Portland and Seattle



Crews towed Pontoon T to a Portland, Ore. drydock for repairs. In this photo, the pontoon is raised completely out of the water. This dry work environment allows crews to complete repairs needed to ensure the long-term service life of the new bridge.



Supported by heavy-duty posts, a new SR 520 bridge pontoon was raised into a Portland, Ore. drydock in late June 2013. The drydock allows crews to make repairs to the undersides and end walls of the pontoon before it returns to Lake Washington.



On Monday, July 15, Pontoon W was towed from Lake Washington to Harbor Island (Elliot Bay) for dry dock repairs.



On July 30, WSDOT Secretary Lynn Peterson spoke with the media about pontoon repairs underway and their effect on project cost and schedule moving forward.

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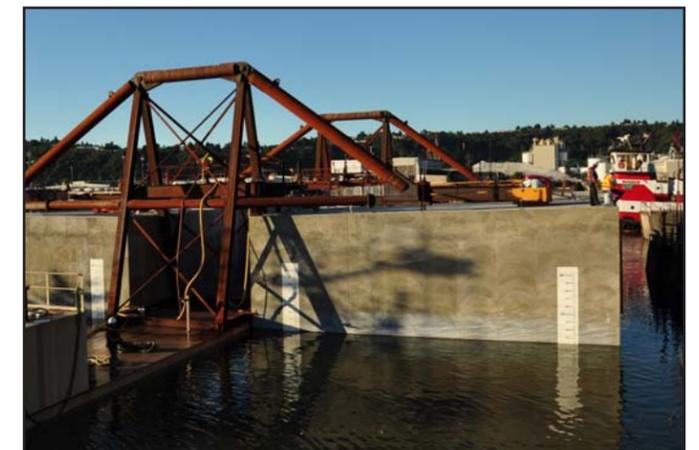
Pontoon float-out - Tacoma, WA



Mudcat, a Manson tugboat, pushes a supplemental stability pontoon to Commencement Bay for inspections. The pontoon will remain temporarily moored in Tacoma until it is towed to Lake Washington.

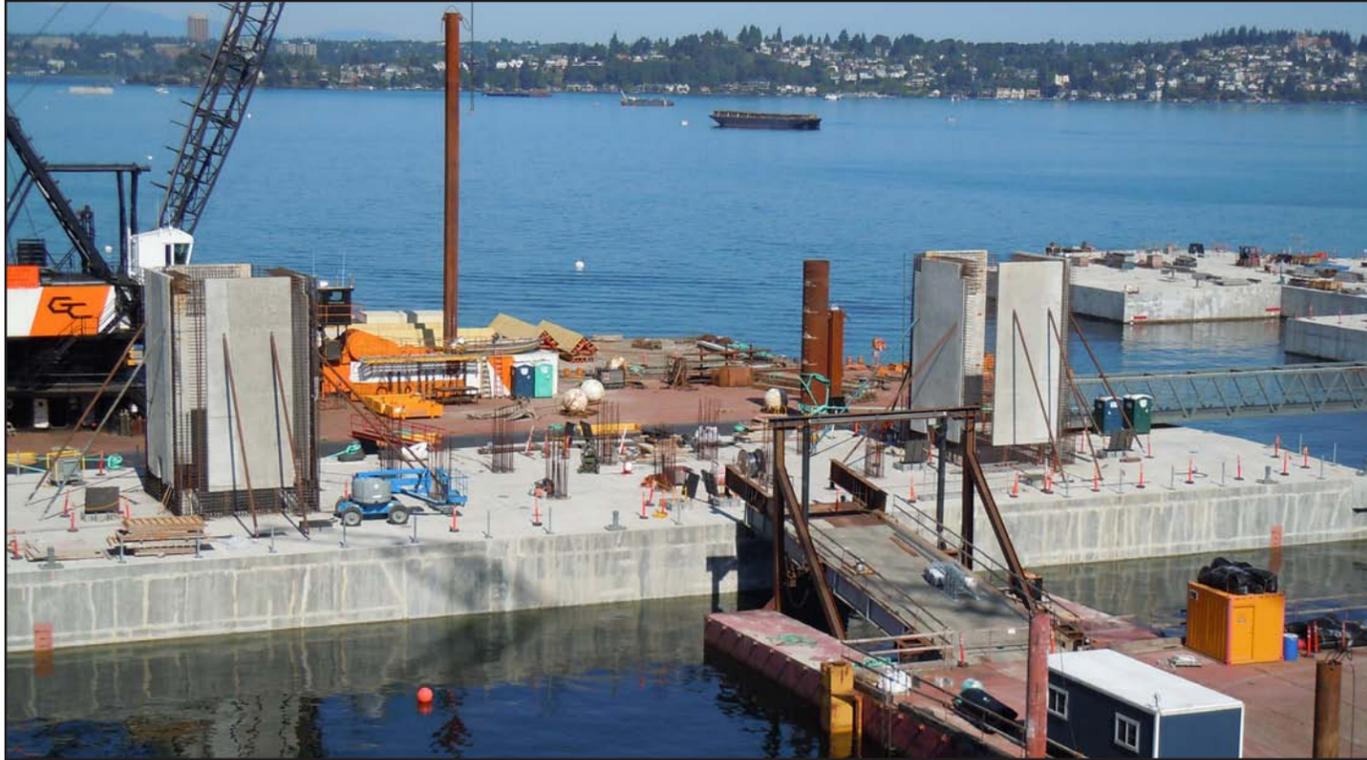


Eight new SR 520 supplemental stability pontoons wait to be towed out of the casting basin.



Crews use a "T-pontoon" to help float supplemental stability pontoons out of the basin into Commencement Bay.

Floating bridge construction - Lake Washington



New box columns take shape on Cross Pontoon A in July 2013. Crews can easily access the pontoon from the shoreline in Medina, so the columns and other structures will be constructed there before the pontoon is moved to its permanent location at the west end of the new bridge on Lake Washington.



Progress continues on Pier 2, part of the east approach to the new floating bridge in Medina. Crews will use the "form traveler", the blue structures in the upper left corner of this picture, to construct the approach bridge in segments.

July weekend closure - Eastside



On July 13, crews poured the concrete deck for the new 108th Avenue Northeast bridge. Once complete, the new 108th Avenue Northeast interchange will feature direct-access ramps for buses and carpools.



A view of excavation activities from within a newly installed section of a fish-friendly culvert stretching beneath the SR 520 roadway.