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# What is a long span bridge?

A type of bridge that requires fewer support columns, allowing for longer spacing, or spans, between columns. A vertical support structure above the deck of the bridge is needed to accomplish the longer spans. A variety of vertical structures can be considered for this project, including tied arch, truss, and cable stayed options (see examples on back page).

## Why are we considering it?

The long span alternative allows for fewer columns in the Geotechnical Hazard Zones on each side of the river, reducing project risks and costs.

## **Decisions Regarding Long Span Alternative**

### **Environmental Phase Decisions**

Choosing a Preferred Alternative at this stage of the process means deciding on a class of bridge that considers high level variables including:

- Retrofit or replacement
- Alignment
- Width
- Number and approximate location of columns
- Approximate span lengths

## **Future Phase Decisions**

### Type Selection Phase Decisions (TS)

- Bridge superstructure type
- Column sizes and locations
- Movable bridge type

#### Specific to Cable Stayed option:

Tower location

### Final Design Phase Decisions (FD)

- Column shape
- Bridge lighting, railings, color and texture

#### Specific to Tied Arch option:

- Arch height
- Arch rib materials, size, curvature, and shape
- Cross-frame size and shape
- Cable size and pattern

#### Specific to Cable Stayed option:

- Tower height, size, shape, and materials
- Cable size and pattern

## Movable Span Type: variables for consideration





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# **Bridge Type Examples**

# BRIDGE TYPE OPTION: Tied Arch examples







Hastings Bridge, Minnesota

Torikai Ohas Bridge, Japan

Siuslaw River Bridge, Oregon

## BRIDGE TYPE OPTION: Cable Stayed examples



Indian River Inlet Bridge, Delaware

# BRIDGE TYPE OPTION: Through Truss examples





Copper River Bridge, South



Main Street Bridge, Florida



Triborough (Harlem River) Bridge, New York



Tower Bridge, CA



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# **MOVABLE SPAN:** Bascule examples



South Park Bridge, Washington

## MOVABLE SPAN: Vertical Lift examples



Teregganu Bridge, Malaysia



Harbor Bridge, Spain

Fore River Bridge, Massachusetts



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