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Each month, the Brent Spence Bridge project team will provide an update of work completed in the past month and a brief look ahead at what is to come in the next month.

Work continues in Step 6/7 of the Project Development Process. The end result of this step is Preferred Alternative Verification Report (PAVR) that will analyze the remaining alternatives in more detail.

Six bridge type alternatives were presented and discussed at the most recent Project Aesthetics Committee meeting held on April 15. Of the six alternatives, two were steel arch type structures and four were cable-stayed.

Key design criteria for the bridge type were also discussed at this meeting. These criteria include construction cost, constructability, maintenance and durability, major rehabilitation feasibility, and aesthetics.

It is expected that the number of bridge type alternatives will be reduced to three in the coming weeks based on further evaluation of the current alternatives, construction cost and feedback received from the Project Aesthetics Committee, Project Advisory Committee, and the public.

Work to coordinate the Brent Spence Bridge and Western Hills Viaduct projects has also advanced within the past month. Several project meetings were held to discuss potential alternatives. In addition, historical, archaeological and hazardous materials screening efforts in that portion of the study area have begun.

The project team has also continued its work to finish key environmental reports such as the revised Historic/Architecture Survey Report for the Kentucky portion of the study area. This report was submitted at the end of April. Work continues on drafting sections of the final environmental document as well.

We will do our best to keep you updated on the status of the project as preliminary engineering and environmental efforts continue. Please check the project website (www.brentspencebridgecorridor.com) periodically for more information. As always, feel free to contact us with any questions you may have.



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