CABLE PLACEMENT IN FULL SWING

Work to install the Self-Anchored Suspension Span’s single main cable continues at a steady pace. Approximately 50 strands, each comprised of 127 steel wires, have been hauled into place by mid-February. This unprecedented work will be ongoing for the next several months.

As the hauling of these steel wire strands is visible from the existing bridge, motorists are urged to drive safely and keep their eyes on the road.

Progress on the bridge construction can be viewed safely from the new interpretive display located on Treasure Island and online via construction cameras. Visit BayBridgeInfo.org for a map to the display and links to the cameras.

SAN FRANCISCO HISTORY EXPO

Experience the history and future of the Bay Bridge at the San Francisco History Expo Saturday and Sunday, March 3 and 4, at the “Old Mint” (Fifth St at Mission in San Francisco). Hours are 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day. www.sfhistoryexpo.org

BRIDGE REOPENS AFTER PRESIDENTS’ DAY WEEKEND CONSTRUCTION

The Bay Bridge westbound deck heading into San Francisco reopened at 7:00 p.m. on February 19 after crews worked throughout the Presidents’ Day weekend to construct a detour near the toll plaza. Fine weather and a huge effort on the part of Caltrans, the Bay Area Toll Authority and their contractors allowed the project to be completed 34 hours ahead of schedule.

With the bridge back in service, drivers may notice a slight detour to the left once they pass the toll plaza heading towards San Francisco. Speed limits remain the same.

By implementing this detour, along with an eastbound detour that opened in 2011, both directions of the new bridge will be able to open to the public earlier than previously scheduled. The new East Span of the Bay Bridge is now scheduled to open in late 2013.

For more information visit baybridgeinfo.org/otd-detour