Lights Reveal Future Bay Skyline

Construction lights strung along the bright orange catwalks for the Self-Anchored Suspension Span’s (SAS) main cable were turned on at dusk on Monday, Aug. 29, revealing how the bridge will appear on evenings in the Bay Area. The florescent lights, used during installation of the main cable, provide a sneak peak of how the SAS will be illuminated by its permanent lights when the bridge opens in late 2013. The lights were previously used during construction of the Alfred Zampa Memorial Bridge (a.k.a. the new Carquinez Bridge). With the lights in place, crews are one step closer to placing the nearly 1-mile long main cable. For more information, visit baybridgeinfo.org/projects/sas-main-cable

YBITS Construction in Full Swing

The portion of the new Bay Bridge known as the Yerba Buena Island Transition Structure or “YBITS” is now under way. Constructed atop 150-foot-tall columns, two separate decks will link the Self-Anchored Suspension Span to the Yerba Buena Island Tunnel. Construction on the westbound deck is scheduled to be completed by the end of 2011 followed by the Eastbound deck in 2012. baybridgeinfo.org/projects/ybi-transition

Final Deck Sections Have Arrived

The last four deck sections for the SAS—including the sections where crews will anchor the main cable—arrived on Sunday, Aug. 28. Placement will start this month and will be finished by November. Find more at baybridgeinfo.org/projects/sas

Protecting the Environment While Building Seismic Safety

See how a comprehensive program was implemented to safeguard the bay’s fragile ecosystems during construction of the new East Span of the Bay Bridge. baybridgeinfo.org/projects/corridor-overview/environmental

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