What's involved in constructing the new Westminster Boulevard bridge?
The bridge will be rebuilt in two stages, allowing it to remain open to traffic during construction. Traffic will be shifted to one side of the bridge, so the first half can be demolished and rebuilt. Once it is completed, traffic will be shifted onto it, and the second half will be demolished and rebuilt.

How long will it take to reconstruct the bridge?
It will take approximately 24 months to complete construction of the new Westminster Boulevard bridge.

How much wider will the new Westminster Boulevard bridge be?
The new bridge will be 121 feet wide, about 10 feet wider than the existing bridge.

What will be the height of the new bridges?
The height of the new bridge will be about 30 feet, about 4 feet higher than the existing bridge.

How many lanes will the new Westminster Boulevard bridge have?
The new bridge will have the same number of through lanes as the existing bridge.

Why is the bridge getting wider if the number of lanes isn't changing?
A sidewalk will be added on the north side of the bridge, and bike lanes will be added on both sides. The widths will be brought up to standard. Vehicle lanes will be 12 feet wide; bike lanes will be 8 feet wide; and sidewalks will be 6.5 feet wide. An additional left-turn lane onto the northbound I-405 on-ramp also will be added.

Will any changes be made to the Willow Lane off-ramp?
Yes. The northbound I-405 off-ramp to Willow Lane is being relocated to the loop off-ramp, which is being reconfigured to three lanes. The new loop off-ramp will connect to Westminster Boulevard via a new traffic signal. This change is to improve traffic operations at the interchange.

When will the first part of the Westminster Boulevard bridge be demolished?
Partial demolition of the Westminster Boulevard bridge is scheduled for mid- to late March. The bridge and I-405 are expected to be closed for this work. Motorists are encouraged to use the project interactive map, octa.net/405map, for approved detours.

How many lanes will be open to motorists on Westminster Boulevard during construction?
There will be two lanes in each direction on Westminster Boulevard between Springdale Street and Willow Lane.

What about pedestrians and bicyclists?
Pedestrian access will be maintained on the south side of the Westminster Boulevard bridge. Bicyclists will share the roadway.
Will neighborhoods and businesses near the bridge be accessible?
Yes, residential and business access will always be maintained.

What are the hours of construction activities?
In general, most of the work will be performed during the day, behind k-rail. However, some activities, such as placing k-rail, striping lanes, shifting traffic and demolition work, must be done at night for the safety of work crews, motorists, pedestrians and bicyclists.

What should the neighborhood expect during demolition?
Demolition will include the use of equipment to break up concrete, and bulldozers and trucks to remove rubble. Water trucks will be on-site to keep dust to a minimum as required by permit.

Will noise levels be monitored?
Yes. Caltrans standards will be enforced. Residents may hear back-up alarms and noise from other construction activities. The alarms are required for employee safety purposes by state regulation on all construction equipment in use. The sound level must be audible for 200 feet and distinguishable from the surrounding noise.

Have surrounding residents and businesses been notified?
Yes. Residents and businesses were notified via email, automated phone calls and text alerts, and on social media and the project website. Additionally, the 405 Community Outreach Team will hold a business meeting in mid-March to provide anticipated construction activities.

How will the neighborhood be notified of upcoming activities?
Flyers will be delivered approximately one week prior to all major activities, such as demolition and pile driving. In addition, the 405 Community Outreach Team notifies residents, businesses and motorists of all activities via weekly email and text alerts, through automated phone calls, on the project website and via social media.

Whom should residents contact if they have questions or concerns?
Contact the 405 Community Outreach Team at 405project@octa.net, or by calling the project helplines. For English and Spanish, call 888-400-8994; for Vietnamese, call 888-662-6569. You may also message us on social media.