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Chincoteague Bridge Project
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VA-175 is being relocated to a more optimum alignment between the mainland and Chincoteague Island, and a new 3/4-mile (4,035-foot) 2-lane bridge will be built over Black Narrows and Lewis Creek Channel. The bridge will provide motorists with better access to the Town of Chincoteague. A 729-foot connector bridge will be built linking the new bridge to Marsh Island. The new span over Lewis Creek Channel will include a drawbridge. The existing Black Narrows and Chincoteague Channel bridges will be demolished following construction.

The contract for construction is costing \$68.7 million, and the prime contractor is American Bridge Company. The contract began in December 2006, and is estimated to be completed in November 2009. The contract is 61% complete.

Info derived from following link, and VDOT Project Dashboard

http://www.virginiadot.org/projects/hamptonroads/chincoteague_bridge_replacement.asp

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