Simpson Avenue Bridge to Close 4 Weeks to Wrap Repairs

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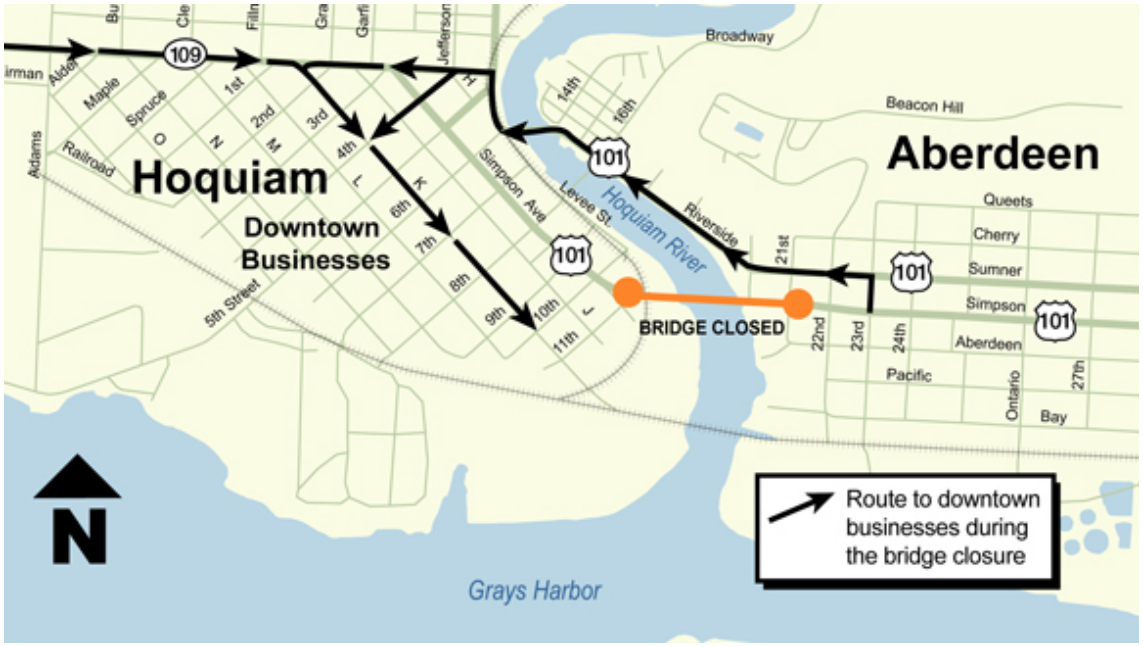
HOQUIAM, Wash. - The Simpson Avenue Bridge in Hoquiam will close sometime after Labor Day to accommodate the final phase of foundation repairs.Lisa Copeland with the Washington State Department of Transportation tells us the winning bidder, Bergeson Construction, plans to start onsite work around mid to late June, with a 4-week closure expected some time after the Labor Day weekend in September "We'll use the Riverside bridge and Sumner Avenue to maintain traffic in both directions."

Copeland said exact dates will be picked for the closure after Bergeson releases a final schedule for the $4.2-million project later this week.WSDOT Region Administrator Kevin Dayton said the Pier 2 Stabilization project will wrap up repairs on the historic span "That will be the last piece of that whole scour repair. That's on Pier 2, we talked about doing Pier 3, there's no indication that Pier 3 had been undermined or compromised so right now everything's fine."

Simpson Bridge Pier Repair Detour Map

Due to the US 101 Simpson Avenue Bridge closure, motor vehicle traffic is being detoured onto the nearby Riverside Bridge, which has been reconfigured to accommodate two-way traffic.

Below: Downtown Hoquiam is open for business and can be accessed via SR 109 during the closure. [Click here for a downloadable PDF version of the map.]