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Hello,

I am writing to all of you regarding the Murray Street Bridge project. I know this project has been long in the making. I would like to point out several issues in regards to this project and see if there are things that can be improved in the timeline and success of the project.

I hope the county and city are working together as it spans both. Traffic is going to be a nightmare, Businesses are going to fail with the road being closed to westbound traffic for up to 3 years.

The road will be closed in both directions from May 25 until August 26. The city website says at times it will be only closed in both directions to move equipment. Not true we were told at the yacht it would be closed for 170 workdays but including weekends its 10 months not 170 workdays. I like how they stuck by 170 workdays, not saying that does not include weekends holidays or other delays

Traffic will no longer go from the east into Seabright and no traffic will go into Seabright at all when its closed. Seabright is going to lose up to over 15000 cars a day of traffic much more in the summer.

These 15000 to 20000 cars will now go up and down 7th, 17th, Brommer, Capitola Road and Soquel which should have no construction on them during this time. Maybe a light should go at 7th and Brommer as this traffic already backs up in both directions on 7th. Traffic is already bad on Soquel and Water. Cars back up all down Capitola road from 7th to 41st every night as well.

All this and the contract went to a company with a \$70mil valuation that is out of Irvine that has been sued over multiple delays. Did any Google Shimmick News, try it and read up on our choice. Has anyone seen their losses of over 100 mil in the past 5 quarters. The small businesses are going to see a 50% drop in sales, this needed to be carefully planned with people's livelihoods in mind. We can't have delays. I don't think anyone was told we are looking at 3 years of one way traffic with a 10 month full closure. City website doesn't even reflect that. Also the access around harbor will be closed from January 27 to December 27 and no pedestrian traffic over bridge during full closure

Partial closure 3/10/2025- 1/2028

Full Closure 1 11/25-4/26

Full Closure 2 5/26- 8/26

West Access Closure 1/27-6/27

East Accesss Closure 6/27-12/27

Thank you

Michael Spadafora

