

## Infrastructure Recovery Weekly Report

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### SPECIAL **POINTS OF** INTEREST:

- Road and bridge repair costs estimated to be \$137 million.
- SC's share of road and bridge repairs projected at \$49 million
- **Road closures** down nearly 90%
- 18 bridges being fasttracked for replacement as a result of the flood
- **Debris Con**tractors have collected over 105,000 cubic yards

### Road & Bridge Repairs Projected to Cost \$137 Million

### South Carolina's share estimated to be \$49 Million

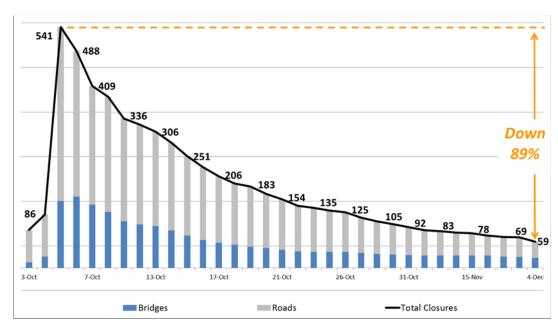
On Tuesday, Governor replacement costs will be Emergency Nikki Haley released cost \$137 million. Secretary of Transportation Christy Hall provided the governor cost estimates for repairs to South Carolina's roads and bridges. SCDOT projects that repair and

figures for the historic Oc- federal government will pay expected to contribute tober flood event. Interim nearly 65% of these costs, \$25 million, while FHWA South Carolina will be re- will provide \$63 million in sponsible for \$49 million.

> Federal recovery assis-Highway (FHWA) and the Federal state costs.

While the Agency (FEMA). emergency relief.

Governor Haley has asked tance will come the Federal state legislators to fund the Administration remaining \$49 million in



### Road and Bridge **Closures Continue to Decline**

As of today, there are 59 road and bridge closures in South Carolina. This represents nearly a 90% decrease since historic flood caused 541 closures on October 5.

To address the closures as quickly and economically as possible, Interim Secretary of Transportation

Christy Hall directed that SCDOT erase all district and county lines and utilize SCDOT maintenance forces from across the state to assist in storm impacted areas.

An SCDOT Bridge contractor is working to replace the US 176 bridge over Cannon's Creek in **Newberry County.** This bridge is scheduled to open by March 29, 2016.

221 bridges were impacted by the flood waters. Of these bridges, 18 require full replacement as a result of the storm.

# Bridge Recovery on the Fast Track

Bridges will be SCDOT's focus during the current recovery phase, as bridges represent 23 of the current 59 closures statewide.

Re-opening these 23 closures will require bridge replacements, major bridge repairs, or major culvert replacements.

Statewide, the historic

flood impacted 221 bridge sites. Most bridges have already been returned to service after a combination of thorough inspections, engineering assessments and repairs. However, there are at least 18 bridges that will require full replacement as a result of this storm.

SCDOT is fast tracking the replacement of these bridges, as most will be constructed within 150 days of contract award.

This quick turnaround can be attributed to partnerships fostered throughout this event between SCDOT, state and federal regulatory agencies, engineering consultants and contractors.

# SC Road and Bridge Contractors

SCDOT has engaged 24 highway and bridge contractors to assist with emergency and spot repairs. Contractors have been utilized at 74 emergency repair sites at 16 flood impacted counties across South Carolina. Of these 24 contrac-

tors, 22 are from South Carolina, one is from Georgia, and one is from North Carolina. Four Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBEs) have been contracted to assist Contractors from Taylor Brothwith the recovery.



ers, a certified minority contractor, make repairs along Congress Road in lower Richland County.

## **Debris Removal Operations**

SCDOT has completed debris removal operations in ten South Carolina counties and will complete its final pass in Georgetown, Horry, and Orangeburg counties by mid-December.

Debris contractors have collected over 105,000 cubic yards of debris in nearly 2,200 loads.

