

Source of timeline dates and comments are as follows (color highlights refer to these sources):

DIOA meeting minutes

Bridge Advisory Committee (BAC) meeting minutes)

JMT inspection reports

Focus group and town hall presentations

Annual meeting

Town hall dates, focus group dates, budget and voting

dates are very important to understand what was known and what was presented to members.

Timeline of bridge report:

04/18/2022 Long range planning to assign people to (4) subcommittees

05/16/2022 Causeway bridge study group met

06/20/2022 Reported an onsite meeting with Bolchoz Marine Advisors (BMA) to develop a proposal for bridge replacement; JMT to handle engineering side

07/18/2022 Bridge Repair (by Nginereng will start in August

09/19/2022 BMA proposal for "Due diligence and feasibility only" coming

10/17/2022 \$75K for Bridge authorized, (2) Firms submitted bids. Ted (GM) commented, "that someone on a committee who has an engineering background said that bridge failure is not a linear model, it is exponential. So, when it starts happening it starts to fail faster and faster"

11/21/2022 Received proposal from BMA, waiting on 2nd engineering proposal

12/19/2022 "Causeway Bridge Group" anxious to get started, waiting on 2nd proposal. Nginereng repairs to bridge will be completed Jan 2023.

01/16/2023 DIOA approved BMA's proposal at \$66K, Bridge advisory committee formed 02/20/2023 Advisory committee formed (BAC). **DOCUMENT**

03/09/2023 Post repair inspection report: JMT has advised (Memo SUBJ: contract closing and non-conforming work acceptance, dated 3/09/2023) that Dataw should plan on monitoring the recent repair patch mortar for cracking. **DOCUMENT**

03/20/2023 Ted (GM) reported that engineers report received (results as expected). He will post to landings page of

Data website for ad-hoc committees Bridge Advisory Committee (BAC) reports that BMA work ongoing (Survey and borings) and **BMA will peer review JMT's final closeout report on the bridge repairs**

03/23/2023 JMT's Load Analysis and Life Cycle report Memo:

The bridge is rated above 1.0 under the current conditions for all the required state and federal vehicles. The bridge can remain in service without restricting vehicle traffic, load posting or emergency repairs. **Page 4 under Conclusions & Recommendations: JMT's opinion is that it would be prudent for the Dataw community to plan for an outright bridge replacement in the 10–15-year time frame, while also accounting for potential maintenance costs (patching and/or strengthening) in the interim. DOCUMENT**

04/17/2023 BAC (Bridge Advisory Committee) reported meetings with BMA and causeway borings taken

05/15/2023 BAC reports that BMA survey, core samples and COE are delayed and when received BMA will schedule 06/19/2023 No survey yet, core samples report (challenges) BMA scheduled to present to DIOA in July.

07/17/2023 BAC reports that Survey received. BMA will present findings etc. later.

08/08/2023 BAC reports that their suggested timeline was shared with BMA for review and refinement by **BMA to accomplish the recommended goal of Bridge Replacement within 5 years** based upon risk assessment and exponential rate of deterioration of the current Bridge Span. **DOCUMENT**

\*\*\*09/18/2023 JMT's Special Inspection; Report and memo to Ted dated 9/25/2023\*\*\*. Please note that this report was **HIDDEN/WITHHELD** and not posted or mentioned until JMT's 01/16/2024 Inspection report was released in late March. This special inspection report was posted at per a members request on 3/27/2024. **DOCUMENT**

September 2023 Focus group presentation: Included a slide listing the history of the bridge inspections and repairs and a bulleted summary statement. The last bullet summarized JMT's 3/23 reports as: "2023 report predicted exponential increase in deterioration and future patching may not be an option". The actual JMT report shows that very relevant **FACTS** were omitted from the presentation. **DOCUMENT**

10/16/2023 The Bridge project was presented to focus groups as a separate and "necessary project". DIOA promptly voted to advance the bridge project to town halls and prepare a voting package for the project in February.

Oct 2023 & Sept 2023 Town Halls/Focus group: BMA/BAC presentation used the Sanibel Island bridge damage from Hurricane Ian slide as a scare tactic members.

11/20/2023 DIOA approved BMA contract addendum \$16K. Also asked to get 2nd opinion and from "Finance committee" for bridge replacement.

12/18/2023 Davis and Floyd hired for second opinion of BMA's work @\$77.6K. Lori prepared a voting package for "a special assessment \$1100 per property for 2 years (2.3m). There was some discussion around supporting an Assessment for "Engineering Fees" and a future capital project that is undefined? DIOA agreed to support a voting package and issue a "Bridge update" communication concerning special assessment and to push for its approval.

01/12/2024 Bridge Update issued; **BAC somehow reduced life cycle of Bridge 5-12 years, "predicted rapid deterioration"**, weight limits etc. Also requested YES vote on \$1100 special assessment.

01/15/2024 BAC issued an update to the community. BAC reports that BMAS contract extended and they have a verbal report; written report due this week. Davis and Floyd working on second opinion, JMTs inspection due this week with debrief and report pending.

\*\*\*01/16/2024 JMT bi-annual Inspection; Report and memo to Ted dated 2/16/2024\*\*. Please NOTE that this report was withheld and never posted until requested 3/20/2024. **DOCUMENT**

01/24/2024 Voting package issued (with questionable information) Online voting begins

02/05/2024 Budget and special assessment presentations: Special assessment vote requested

02/19/2024 BAC reported that the 1/16 JMT inspection Report indicated "**nothing new**- just normal wear and tear BMA report due at the end of the month and 2nd opinion ongoing. DIOA approved \$10K to Pope Flynn Law to explore bridge financing options. (See link above 01/16/2024)

02/19/2024 Annual meeting and vote finalized without FACTS from JMT's 9/18/2023 & 1/16/2024 Inspection Reports that were withheld/hidden from Membership

02/20/2024 Annual meetings and results of vote announced

03/11/2024 BMA Due Diligence report that says they relied on the JMT inspection and DID NOT DO THEIR OWN Inspections. Page 4 BMA bullets are misleading and deceptive:

2020 ACTUAL JMT Inspection Report stated, "we recommend PLANNING for a bridge replacement AROUND 2030"

2023 ACTUAL JMT Inspection Report stated,"opinion is that it would be prudent for the Dataw Community to PLAN for and outright bridge replacement in the 10-15 year time frame". The Report also indicated that "Dataw should under go another round of spall repairs and updated Load rating analysis IN 5 YEARS"

03/18/2024 BAC reports they are still meeting and have BMA report, once the 2nd opinion is received, they plan to issue an update about the direction of the Bridge replacement project

03/20/2024 JMT January 16, 2024 Inspection report posted and available to members

03/27/2024 JMT September 18 special inspection report posted and available to members. **DOCUMENT**

04/01//2024 Davis and Floyd Bridge Replacement Study that says on Page 1, THEY DID NOT INSPECT AND RELIED "ON Recent Bridge Inspections and Repairs completed by others"(insert D&F report 4/24). It is obvious that they did not review recent Inspection Reports of 9/18/2023 and 01/16/2024. D&F relied on flawed opinions from BMA rather than Actual Inspection Reports from JMT.