



Lake of the Ozarks

Community Bridge Transportation

Development District

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Press Release

The Lake of the Ozarks Community Bridge Transportation Development District (Community Bridge TDD) announces its intent to terminate the collection of tolls charged to vehicular traffic using the Lake of the Ozarks Community Bridge (Community Bridge) effective on or about April 30, 2024.

The Community Bridge connects the East and West sides of the Lake of the Ozarks near the 16-mile marker of the main channel of the Lake of the Ozarks.

The Community Bridge TDD anticipates that adequate funds will be generated on or about April 30, 2024 to fully pay all outstanding mortgage bonds and all other remaining and /or anticipated liabilities of the Community Bridge TDD.

Pursuant to an agreement between the Community Bridge TDD and the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission and in accordance with Missouri Statute, the Community Bridge TDD will transfer the Community Bridge and all related improvements to the State of Missouri once the facility becomes debt free. The State of Missouri will then own and maintain the Community Bridge and the bridge will remain toll-free.

The Community Bridge is the first toll facility in the State of Missouri created under the enabling legislation. The Community Bridge was opened in May 1998 as a public-private venture created pursuant to 1990 legislation enabling Missouri transportation development corporations and transportation development districts. The Construction cost of the Community Bridge was funded by the issuance of toll revenue bonds.

The Community Bridge TDD previously estimated that the Community Bridge would be toll-free in 2026. The facility will now become toll-free two (2) years earlier than estimated. Over 35,000,000 vehicles have crossed the Community Bridge since its opening in 1998.

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