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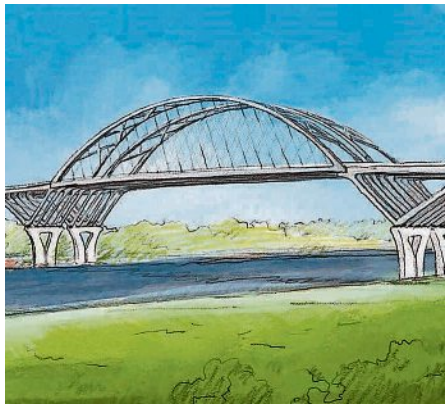
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A rendering shows the view from the Cape Cod Canal of the recommended bridge type to replace the aging Sagamore and Bourne bridges. PROVIDED BY MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

State gives details on Sagamore Bridge progress

Susan Vaughn
Cape Cod Times
USA TODAY NETWORK

As planned, the new Sagamore Bridge will be the combination of two spans side by side, one headed off Cape Cod and one headed onto Cape Cod.

This, the state has already announced.

The sequence of how that will happen — where traffic will go during construction — is among many aspects of the project to be found in the state's draft environmental impact statement released Sept. 10 to the public.

Four construction milestones have been set to build the two new side-by-side spans to replace the nearly 100-year-old Sagamore Bridge. The same sequence of construction is planned for the eventual replacement of the same-aged Bourne Bridge, when funding is finalized. Both bridges cross the Cape Cod Canal in the town of Bourne.

The state Department of Transportation proposes for the \$4.5 billion project that both bridges be built with a "best value" design-build procurement method for construction, which combines design and construction services within a single contract without separate bidding in order to "fast-track" the overall process, the draft document states.

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'YOU HAVE TO WORK A LOT'



Three Cape Cod family businesses look ahead

Denise Coffey
Cape Cod Times
USA TODAY NETWORK

A line of tourists waited patiently to board the Dolphin X vessel on Sept. 12 at MacMillan Pier in Provincetown. The clear blue sky and warm temperatures promised a good day for the whale watchers who had paid \$75 for the chance to see one of nature's largest mammals free in the wild.

It's a business and a job that owner Steve Milliken loves. He's been on boats since he was nine years old, working first for his father's fishing

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ABOVE: Bob Wallace is the owner of Cape Tire Service in Hyannis. **MIDDLE:** Stewart Painting Production Manager Todd Pkknick, left, confers with Earl Randall at an exterior painting project they have underway at a Dennis home on July 23. Pkknick is the nephew of company owner Sheldon Stewart. **TOP:** Milliken family members of Dolphin Fleet of Provincetown stand aboard the Dolphin 11 vessel docked at its berth on MacMillan Pier in Provincetown on Aug. 12. PHOTOS BY STEVE HEASLIP/CAPE COD TIMES



The American flag flies at half-staff at Dream City Church in Phoenix after the killing of Charlie Kirk on Sept. 10. ROB SCHUMACHER/ARIZONA REPUBLIC

Religious communities divided on Kirk, legacy

Liam Adams, Trevor Hughes, Phillip M. Bailey and Deena Yellin
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NASHVILLE — Leigh-Allyn Baker rallied her fellow parishioners at Conduit Church in Franklin, Tennessee, 20 miles south of Nashville, not to let Charlie Kirk's death be in vain.

In a video that Conduit played during a Sept. 14 service, Baker encouraged the audience to speak more boldly and publicly for their conservative values than ever before.

"I know there's an ember of courage in all of you. And I want you to let Charlie's legacy fan that flame," Baker, an actress and speaker with Turning Point USA, the advocacy group Kirk founded, said in the video. "And I for one am not backing down. I am charged; I am so charged. Here I am God, send me."

Baker is usually at Conduit on Sundays, but on that weekend was at church with Kirk's longtime collaborator, the Rev. Rob McCoy, according to the Rev. Darren Tyler, Conduit's pastor.

The killing of Kirk on Sept. 10 swiftly produced a range of responses among religious communities. Many on the evangelical Christian right see Kirk as a martyr who died while proselytizing for the Christian faith and religiously informed conservative ideals. Other non-White and non-evangelical faith voices see his legacy as more complex and polarizing.

Conduit congregants welcomed Baker's video with whoops, shouts and tears, signaling a shared grief. Among those congregants, one person wore a hat that read: "Pray hard, lift heavy, stay deadly."

But Christians angry over Kirk's death cannot be violent or retaliatory, Tyler said in his sermon.

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