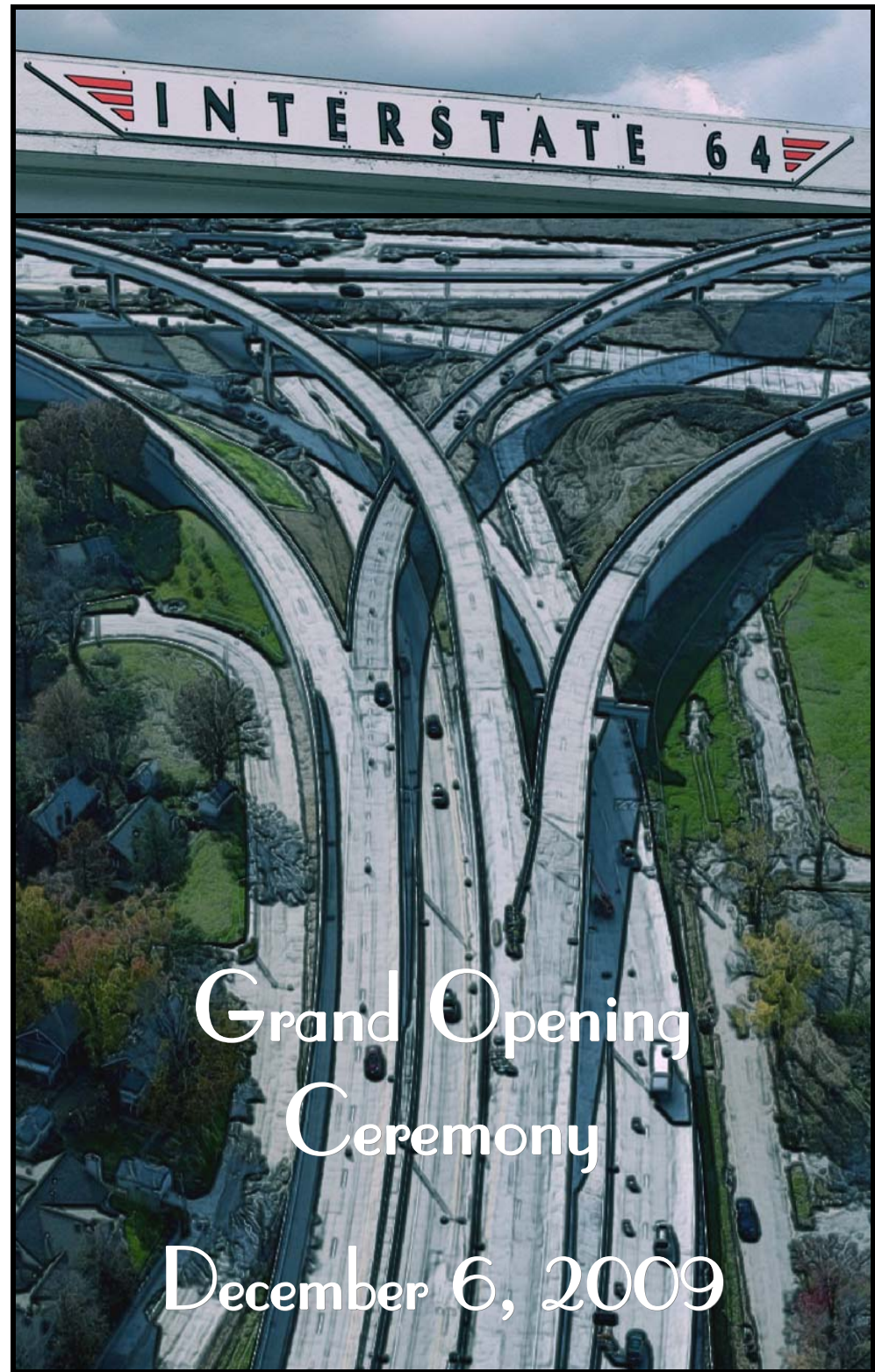




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Grand Opening  
Ceremony

December 6, 2009

# A Message

## From MoDOT Director Pete K. Rahn



Dear St. Louisans,

MoDOT's approach to the New I-64 Project was certainly not without controversy in the beginning, and very well might not have worked had it not been for the dynamic leaders within the St. Louis region who stepped up and declared its importance to the community. The sense of regional pride in this project is exhilarating to me. To see how the critical members of the community - whether it's the business community, the cities, counties, or law enforcement agencies - have come together to make more out of this project than what was even envisioned in the beginning.

The project itself has been an incredible success. We have exceeded every single goal that was set in the very beginning. It's under budget, it's ahead of schedule and we've been able to minimize the impact on the community and improve regional mobility issues. The project is of great quality and we've created a new model for rebuilding big infrastructure in urban areas that's being replicated already by other states around the country. It's amazing how when we work together for a common goal, we all succeed, and I think that's the legacy of the New I-64 Project. The regional collaboration and the efforts made by every individual associated with this project, from the front line laborer all the way to the top community leadership within the region, has resulted in a successful one-of-a-kind project. It is something that MoDOT is very proud of and we are so grateful to the citizens and community leaders of St. Louis for their support, patience and cooperation. It has been our pleasure to work with this community to provide a great project that is going to benefit the entire region for decades to come.

Sincerely,

Pete K. Rahn  
MoDOT Director

# Ceremony Special Thanks

The I-64 Project Team extends its gratitude to the following for their efforts to make today's ceremony a success:

Missouri State Highway Patrol Color Guard

St. Louis City Fire Dept. for the American flag display from their fire trucks

Harris-Stowe State University Pep Band

St. Louis City Parks Department for the bandstand

The following hospitals for their First Aid/Warming Stations: BJC, Forest Park Hospital, SSM St. Mary's Hospital, St. Louis Children's Hospital and St. Louis University Hospital.

St. Louis Community College at Forest Park for the use of its parking lots and Metro for the shuttle bus from the parking to the interstate

The following emergency responders working today's event including the Missouri State Highway Patrol, St. Louis Metropolitan Police Department, St. Louis City Fire Department and EMS Service, Richmond Heights Police Department, Richmond Heights Fire Department, Gateway Ambulance, and Lambert St. Louis International Airport Police

Operation Food Search for arranging the logistics of the food drive

# Thank You St. Louis!

Thank you to the neighboring residents and businesses for your patience with the detours, noise and general construction disruption.

Thank you to St. Louis motorists for being flexible and finding new ways to get around.

# Special Thanks

## I-64 Connections Committee

Thank you to the members of MoDOT's I-64 Connections Committee for guiding and serving as a regional sounding board for MoDOT for the past four years. Members included:

Tom Irwin, Civic Progress  
Susan Stauder, St. Louis Regional Chamber and Growth Association  
Jim Cloor, Partnership for Downtown St. Louis  
Jim Murphy, Regional Business Council  
Dee Joyner, Commerce Bank  
June Fowler, BJC  
Ron Watermon, St. Louis Cardinals  
Garry Earls, St. Louis County  
Ellen Dailey, City of Brentwood  
Tim Embree, City of St. Louis  
Bob Shelton, City of Frontenac  
Mike Wooldridge, City of Ladue  
Amy Hamilton, City of Richmond Heights

## I-64 Workforce Advisory Committee

Thank you to the members of MoDOT's Workforce Advisory Committee whose guidance and leadership helped create important programs to train and diversify the workforce on this project and future projects. Members included:

Rev. Tommie Pierson, Metropolitan Congregations United  
John Gaal, EdD, Carpenters' District Council of Greater St. Louis  
Patricia Blackwell, Lambert St. Louis International Airport  
Eddie Hasan, MOKAN  
Michael Holmes, St. Louis Agency on Training and Employment  
Tom Jones, St. Louis Agency on Training and Employment  
Kevin Potter, Conference of Minority Transportation Officials  
Len Toenjes, Associated General Contractors of St. Louis  
Kevin Triggs, East-West Gateway Council of Governments  
Teresa Willis, Missouri Women in Construction Trades

# Ceremony

3 p.m.

## National Anthem

Harris-Stowe State University Pep Band

## Presentation of Colors

Missouri State Highway Patrol Color Guard

## Remarks by Dignitaries

## "Jack Buck Memorial Highway"

## Sign Unveiling

Carole Buck & The Buck Family

## Official Ribbon Cutting

## Highway Reopens

All lanes of I-64 between I-170 and Kingshighway Boulevard  
will reopen by 5 a.m. on  
Monday, December 7, 2009.

# Project History

In 1997, the Missouri Department of Transportation and East-West Gateway Council of Governments (EWGCOG) conducted a Major Transportation Investment Study (MTIA) that identified problems along I-64 and I-170. The study pinpointed concerns related to neighborhood impacts, funding, safety and security, air quality and noise. The resulting study and approval by the region's leaders included the suggested improvements to reconstruct I-64's pavement, interchanges and bridges and add one lane in each direction between I-270 and I-170. The conceptual design work began in 1999 and the environmental documentation process began in 2001.

In July 2005, The New I-64 Project received its funded budget of \$535 million from EWGCOG. Also during that month, an Environmental Impact Statement was completed with the issuance of a Record of Decision from the Federal Highway Administration.

In November 2006, MoDOT awarded Gateway Constructors the \$420 million contract to design and build the I-64 reconstruction project. This was the first design-build contract for MoDOT and the single largest contract in MoDOT's history. Gateway Constructors is a joint venture between Granite Construction, Fred Weber, Inc. and Millstone Bangert, Inc. with Parsons as the lead designer.



The groundbreaking ceremony was held March 19, 2007, and construction began on the flyover ramps at I-170. All lanes of I-64 between Ballas Road and I-170 closed in the early morning hours of Wednesday, January 2, 2008, and the west half construction began. On December 14, 2008, the completely reconstructed west half of I-64 reopened to traffic two weeks ahead of schedule.

That same day, all lanes between I-170 and Kingshighway Boulevard closed and east half construction was underway. The New I-64 will completely reopen to traffic before morning rush hour on Monday, December 7, 2009.

The project includes an extra lane in each direction, ten miles of new highway and thirteen interchanges including a direct connection between I-64 and I-170. The reopening of the half billion dollar project is almost a month ahead of schedule and \$11 million under budget.

## Municipal, Transportation & Healthcare Partners

Thank you to all of the municipal officials, transportation partners, and emergency responders, hospitals and others who have spent countless hours in meetings with MoDOT and Gateway Constructors planning and preparing for every detour and traffic impact of this project. We applaud the regional collaboration and cooperation we have all shared with this project.

East-West Gateway Council of Governments  
 City of St. Louis  
 St. Louis County  
 City of Brentwood  
 City of Clayton  
 City of Creve Coeur  
 City of Frontenac  
 City of Ladue  
 City of Maplewood  
 City of Richmond Heights  
 City of University City  
 Village of Westwood

Metro  
 BJC  
 Forest Park Hospital  
 Missouri Baptist Hospital  
 St. John's Mercy Medical Center  
 St. Mary's Hospital  
 St. Louis Children's Hospital  
 St. Louis University Hospital  
 Washington University Medical Center  
 Cardinal Glennon Children's Medical Center

## Business, Chamber & Tourism Partners

Thank you to the business community leaders, chambers and tourism partners who have helped keep the region going during construction, including:

Central West End Association  
 Citizens for Modern Transit  
 Civic Progress  
 Creve Coeur/Olivette Chamber of Commerce  
 Forest Park Forever  
 Forest Park Southeast Development Corporation  
 Gateway Arch Riverfront  
 GetAround STL  
 Grand Center, Inc.  
 Metro  
 Mid Metro 4  
 Regional Business Council  
 RideFinders  
 St. Louis Convention and Visitors Commission  
 St. Louis Regional Chamber and Growth Association  
 The Loop Special Business District  
 The Partnership for Downtown St. Louis  
 Town & Country/Frontenac Chamber of Commerce

# Special Thanks

## State of Missouri

Governor Jeremiah Nixon

Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission

David A. Gach, Chairman

Rudolph E. Farber, Vice-Chairman

Grace M. Nichols

Lloyd J. Carmichael

Stephen R. Miller

Duane S. Michie

Federal Highway Division Administrator Kevin Ward

Missouri Department of Transportation

Pete K. Rahn, Director

Kevin L. Keith, Chief Engineer

David B. Nichols, Director of Program Delivery

Ed Hassinger, St. Louis District Engineer

Lesley S. Hoffarth, Project Director

Missouri State Highway Patrol

## Employees, Consultants & Contractors

Thank you to all of the employees of MoDOT, the consultants and contractors who have worked on this project over the years. Their names are too countless to list. Without their hard work, commitment and determination, the New I-64 Project would never have become a reality. The employees represent the following:

Missouri Department of Transportation

HNTB Corporation

Delcan

Kwame Building Group

EDSI

Gateway Constructors, including:

Granite Construction Company

Fred Weber Inc.

Millstone Bangert Inc.

Parsons Transportation Group, Inc.

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URS Corporation

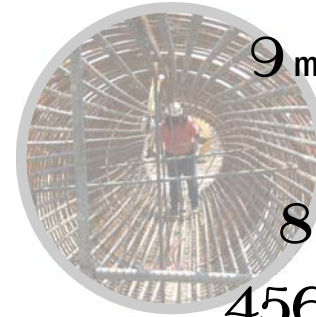
Crawford, Bunte, Brammeier

Terracon Consultants, Inc.

Gerstner Electric Inc.

Vector Communications

# By the Numbers...



9 miles of reconstructed roadway

13 interchanges

8 major bridges/overpasses

456,156 tons recycled material

261,235 cubic yards of concrete pavement

157,381 linear feet of concrete barrier

413,000 square feet of retaining walls

238,000 square feet of bridge deck panels

5 million pounds structural steel

11.5 million pounds of reinforcing steel

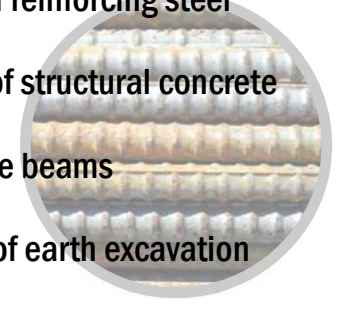
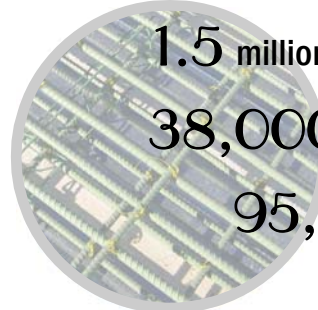
60,000 cubic yards of structural concrete

456 concrete beams

1.5 million cubic yards of earth excavation

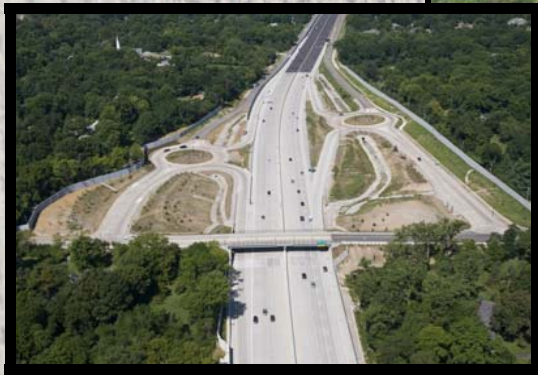
38,000 cubic yards of rock excavation

95,000 linear feet of pipe

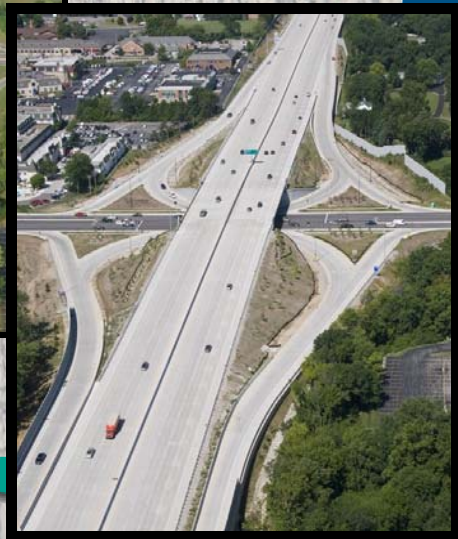


# I-64: Then and Now

*Spoeede*



*Lindbergh*



## Bridge Monuments



Hanley/Eager "Jughandle"



Spoeede Roundabouts



Landscaping

Kingshighway  
Pedestrian Bridge



# Special Features

## Art Deco Theme

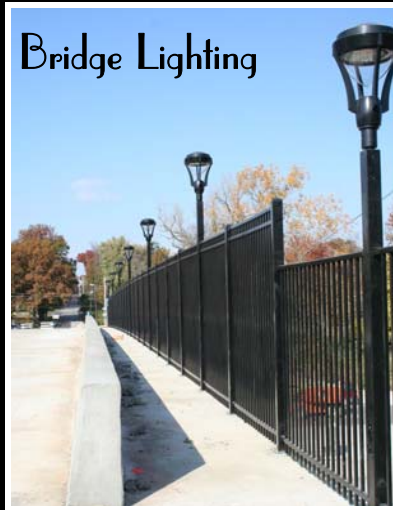


## Hampton & Wells Roundabout & Ped/Bike Path

## Bridge Lighting



## Soundwalls



## Bridge Signs



## I-170 Interchange



# I-64: Then and Now



*Hanley*



*Big Bend*



*Kingshighway*



*Hampton*

