

## **Progress Report #5**

### **Avena Bridge Repair and Certification Project**

**April 8, 2026**

Mark Braun and Associates (MB&A) responded to a request from the Road Committee (RC) to reconsider taking on our bridge project. MB&A told us that if Coast Engineering did not respond favorably to the Project, then MB&A would take on the work. We never heard from Coastal, so the RC contacted MB&A and they agreed to do the project.

MB&A, you may recall, was one of the two Structural Engineering firms who provided the RC with a capacity analysis of the bridge in 2012. At the time, MB&A provided a means by which to make the bridge meet the HS20 standard. Because we had no information about the footings, we were not allowed to do the suggested improvement work. This new engineering project will provide data on the footings and abutments.

The RC worked with MB&A to develop a fee schedule that would fit the County's requirements and the CSA 41 budget. The final Fee Schedule is attached to this report. Because all of the work will be done by an Engineer, there is no requirement to pay prevailing wages. The RC submitted the RFP and the fee schedule to our County liaisons on April 8, 2026, with a request to create a purchase order and contract. We also requested a Teams call with the County to clarify the path forward on the project.

