

## I-95 New Haven Harbor Crossing (Q-Bridge) Program Management Greater New Haven, Connecticut

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### Description

FHI is providing environmental services under the Connecticut Department of Transportation program management contract for construction of I-95 New Haven Corridor Improvements, including the Quinnipiac River Bridge replacement and I-95 reconstruction in New Haven and Branford. FHI's roles have centered on cultural (historic and archaeological) resource management and environmental permitting. FHI performed a series of cultural resources tasks required to satisfy the terms of the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) among the Connecticut Department of Transportation, the Federal Highway Administration, the American Council of Historic Preservation and the Connecticut Historic Commission (CHC). Specifically, FHI documented two National Register buildings in New Haven to CHC standards and wrote an internet-compatible popular report on the history of crew in Connecticut, a mitigation requirement stemming from the project's impacts to the former Yale University boathouse. In addition, FHI orchestrated salvage and relocation feasibility studies of the boathouse and oversaw a series of increasingly intensive archaeological surveys of buried historic industrial resources in the corridor. In the environmental realm, FHI conducted tidal wetland delineation and tidal/inland wetland functional assessments and assisted in the development and analysis of wetland mitigation concepts. FHI played a key role in preparing environmental permit applications for all five contract segments, to obtain state and federal water quality certification, tidal wetlands, inland wetland and waterways, stormwater discharge, and coastal consistency permits. In addition, FHI established a database for monitoring the progress of environmental mitigation commitments set forth in the project's Environmental Impact Statement.

### Client

Connecticut Department of Transportation

