Evaluate Existing Bridge and Design Bridge Repair or Replacement
Licensed civil or structural engineer evaluates bridge and prepares Bridge Foundation Report. Licensed Engineer prepares bridge repair or replacement design plans. Refer to SonomaCounty.ca.gov/Rebuild/PrivateBridges for Design Criteria for Bridges, Technical Bulletin B-42 and Foundation Reports for Fire Damaged Structures, Technical Bulletin B-43

Determine Permitting Requirements:
Will project cause any disturbance within the channel or along channel banks?

NO
All work is above the top of the channel bank. Bridge abutments are structurally sound, no work in channel is required and no riparian vegetation is removed.
Proceed to Building Permit Application Submittal

YES
Work required below top of channel bank, abutments require repair or replacement, work in channel is required.
County of Sonoma Zoning Permit and Federal and State Regulatory Agency Permits required.
Submit Zoning/Riparian Permit Application
Zoning/Riparian permit required for work in areas zoned Riparian Corridor. Contact Yolanda Solano, Permit Sonoma Planner III for additional information.
Pay zoning/riparian permit fee.
Determine Federal and State Regulatory Agency Permit Requirements
See Regulatory Agency Flow Chart or contact Rich Stabler, Senior Environmental Specialist, Permit Sonoma, Natural Resources Section
Submit Building Permit Application
Prepare Building Permit Application Submittal. Refer to Design Criteria for Bridges, Technical Bulletin B-42. Permit Sonoma staff are available to assist determining documents required. Contact Christine Camilleri, Permit Tech for more information.

Permit Sonoma Plan Review
Permit Sonoma reviews Building Permit (and Zoning/Riparian Permit, if applicable) Applications. Applicant addresses any review comments and provides any additional required information to Permit Sonoma.

Permit Sonoma Permits Issued
Applicant comes to Permit Sonoma to pay fees and pick up Building Permit (and Zoning/Riparian, if required).
Note: Building Permit contingent upon approvals from federal and state regulatory agencies, if any.

Federal/State Regulatory Agency Permits/ Approvals Issued
Verify all federal and state regulatory agency requirements are met prior to beginning construction.
See Regulatory Agency Flow Chart

Begin Work on Bridge Repair or Replacement!
Post Building Permit on site during construction. Have any federal/state regulatory agency permits/approvals available onsite during construction.

Schedule Inspection
Schedule Inspection with Permit Sonoma – Call (707) 565-3551 or visit the Inspection Scheduling page at: SonomaCounty.ca.gov/PRMD/Inspection-Scheduling

Contact Permit Sonoma for assistance with your bridge project.
More information available at: SonomaCounty.ca.gov/Rebuild/PrivateBridges

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