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Dear USC Aiken Colleagues,

What is big, blue, and weighs 16,000 pounds? The new USC Aiken Pedestrian Bridge!

If you have not driven the Robert M. Bell Parkway since Saturday evening, you may wish to do so to see the new pedestrian bridge that was set in place late on Saturday evening. There is still much work to be accomplished, including the ground work around the abutments and wing-walls; completion of the interior walkway; sidewalks to link the bridge to the residence halls and campus; switchbacks to provide ADA and cart access; and finally, landscaping and branding. The timeline depends on the weather, but I’m optimistic that the entire project will be completed during the upcoming fall semester.

Pedestrian Bridge Facts:
- The Bow-String Truss Bridge is being constructed by AOS Specialty Contractors
- It is Pacer Blue
- 150 feet in length
- Approximately 20 feet above the roadway
- And, with an interior space of 10’, it can accommodate both delivery carts and pedestrian traffic at the same time

Please find a few pictures of the raising of the bridge that took place this past Saturday evening at www.usca.edu/bridge

Best,

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