



Longfellow Bridge rehabilitation and expansion project  
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## **Olde New England supplies granite for Longfellow Bridge Project**

### **Reclaimed granite will be used to complete redesign**

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Olde New England Granite in Wakefield, Mass., has been selected to supply all the matching Rockport granite for the state's 3.5-year rehabilitation and expansion project. The reclaimed granite was rescued from one historic bridge project a few years ago by the Wakefield Co. and now will be used to complete the redesign specifications of the Longfellow Bridge.

Cape Ann/Rockport Granite, the granite needed to complete the Longfellow Bridge project, is no longer commercially quarried. It is available only in reclaimed form. However, Olde New England Granite is able to supply the Longfellow needs because of another major bridge project it was involved with several years ago. The historic Essex-Merrimac Drawbridge yielded the company about 3,000 tons of Rockport granite pier blocks. Little did they know at the time that they would be supplying this matching granite to the even more famous Longfellow Bridge.

Olde New England Granite also is reclaiming all the Deer Isle Granite currently being removed from the Longfellow deck. The granite block and curbing that lined the railway is being removed due to redesign specifications.