

# Felton Covered Bridge renovation

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SANTA CRUZ — At long last, the historic Felton Covered Bridge is on the road to recovery.

Built in 1892 at the gateway to the San Lorenzo Valley, the span has been slowly deteriorating. The storms of 1982-83 hastened the breakdown, leading local officials to prepare a two-fold renovation plan.

This morning, county supervisors approved a contract for Phase 1 of the restoration work to Coastwide Construction Co. for \$54,546.

Although that's above the \$40,000 the county had estimated, Coastwide was the lowest bidder.

The funding will come from the acquisition portion of the 1984-85 county budget. Another portion of money will come as a loan from the Aptos Park Dedication Dis-

trict. It will be repaid through the year as funds trickle in.

Additionally, the Federal Emergency Management Agency is paying for storm damage.

Architect Jeff Oberdorfer has been chosen to oversee the project.

The Felton Covered Bridge is the only historic landmark in the county listed with the National Historic Registry.

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