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## The Story: Bay Bridge Douglas Fir



This wood structure with metal rails stretched 3000 feet long and connected the permanent bike/pedestrian path (attached to the new bridge) to the touchdown at the eastern end of the bridge. The Bay Area Toll Authority spent \$9.4 million to build a temporary entrance so the Bay Bridge's bike path could be ready when the new eastern span opened to traffic in September 2013. According to Caltrans, 3000 bicyclists and pedestrians used the path the day it opened, and some 13,000 the first weekend.

Less than seven months later, the half-mile-long connector was torn down to make way for the permanent gateway. The pedestrian bridge could have remained except for the fact that it would have cut into what is eventually going to be "Gateway Park" – a waterfront greenbelt at the foot of the new Bay Bridge.

The good news is that the 4x10x23 foot long Douglas fir timber trestles are ready to be re-used for another project.



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Material #: BB-DF – Bay Bridge Douglas Fir (*Pseudotsuga Menziesii*)