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One idea has been the bridge should rise (arch upward) for more aesthetic appeal. While I am all for affordable aesthetics, what has not been considered that I have heard is the traffic impact of the rise. 

For every degree of elevation on the bridge you slow traffic more, have more stalls, and have more accidents. This is especially true in hot weather and for badly maintained vehicles and heavily loaded trucks.

The rise slows people as they do not like not being able to see over the horizon. A very real psychological effect. A rise causes stalls when problem vehicles can not make it up the incline, and can drastically slow heavy trucks. When this happens you get more lane changes on the bridge which leads to more accidents. This is not my opinion. It is something I have observed repeatedly in 10 years of daily bridge use.

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