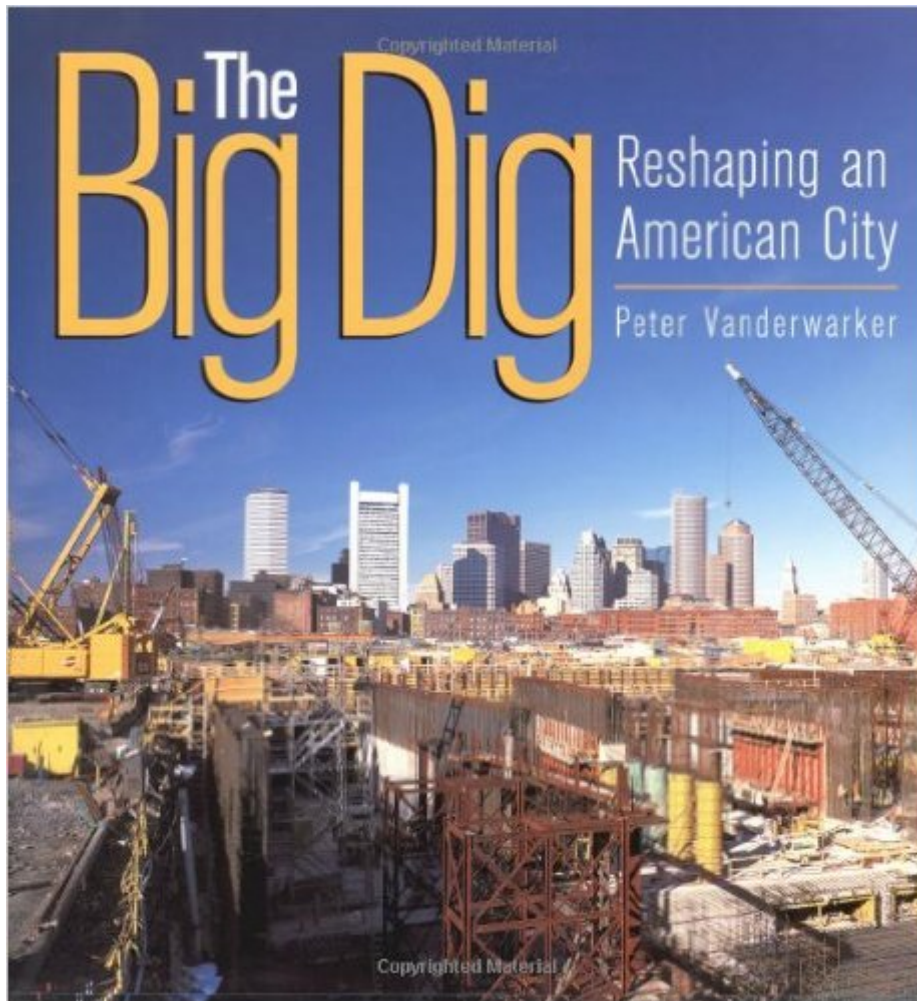


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# The Big Dig: Reshaping An American City



## Synopsis

In Boston Harbor a barge maneuvers a huge floating section of a steel tunnel into place, then sets it gently onto the harbor floor. High above the Charles River workers place ten lanes of roadway on what will be the widest cable-stayed bridge in the world. Boston will never look the same. Since 1991 Boston has been the scene of the largest public construction project in American history. The Central Artery/Tunnel Project-the "Big Dig"-is the solution to problems that for decades have caused major headaches for people driving in and out of this major American city. Peter Vanderwarker takes us behind the scenes of this complex, awe-inspiring project. Informative text accompanied by remarkable photographs, illustrations, and maps explain these concepts and introduce us to some of the people who have worked on this project.

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Living in Boston, you are constantly affected by Big Dig-related twists, turns, and upsets. One day the one-way street heads east; the next it has been re-routed west. Few of us venture into the heart of this truly amazing engineering feat, but this book shows us why we should pay more attention. Vanderwarker's spectacular photographs are thrilling to see and they give a glimpse of just why so much money has been poured into this project. We get to see things only the workers would normally see. But perhaps best of all is the glimpse it gives of cutting-edge engineering and

technology. Seldom have I seen so clearly how yesterday's sci-fi has become today's "sci" and tomorrow's business as usual.

My children and I enjoyed reading this book before our trip to Boston, as I'd been there before the Big Dig! The book was easy to understand and showed some of the obstacles to this endeavor. My children love engineering and they found this fascinating!

This book is so much fun to read. The photography is wonderful. Vanderwalker has such a good "eye" for beauty, even in construction. A must buy for the kids at Christmas

Wonderful book for Children. Great Photography. A must for the Christmas Stocking from Santa Claus

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