

Structures Research Update

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Bridge Load Testing

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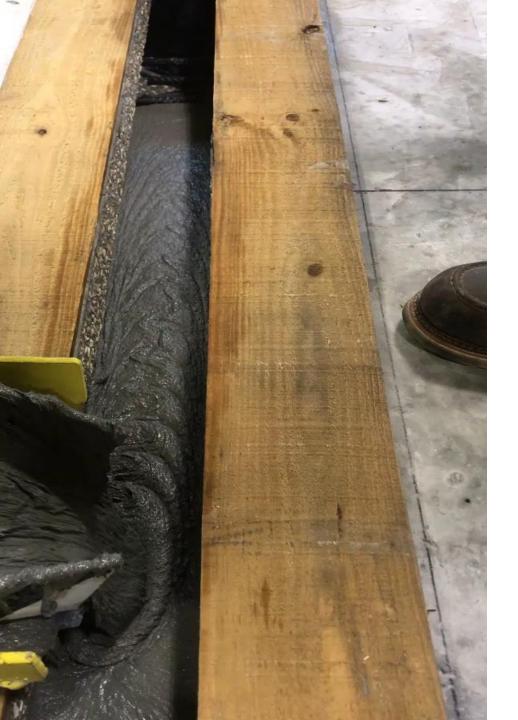






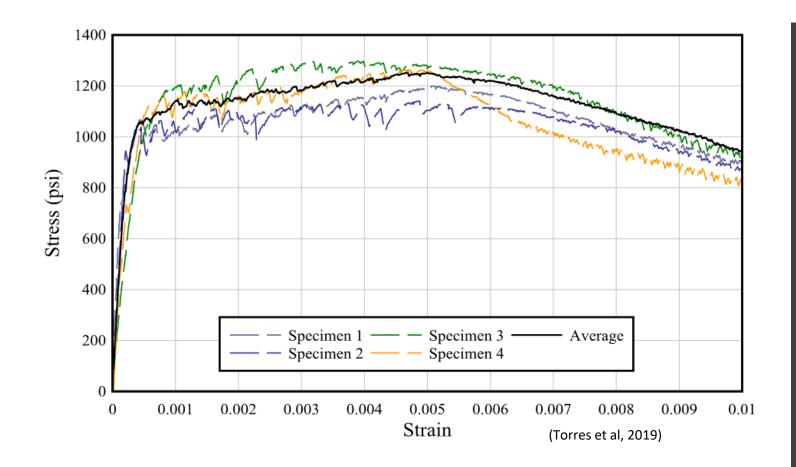
Structures Research Center

- Large Scale Structural Research
 - In-house
 - University/Consultant
- Bridge Load Testing/Rating and Monitoring

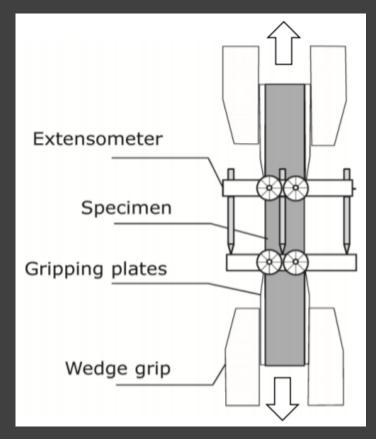


Ultra-High Performance Concrete

- Basic Background
 - Fiber Reinforced (2%)
 - Portland Cement Product
 - w/cm ratio < 0.25
 - Sustained Tensile Strength > 0.72 ksi
 - Enhanced Durability
 - Flowable



Direct Tension Test



(FHWA, 2017)



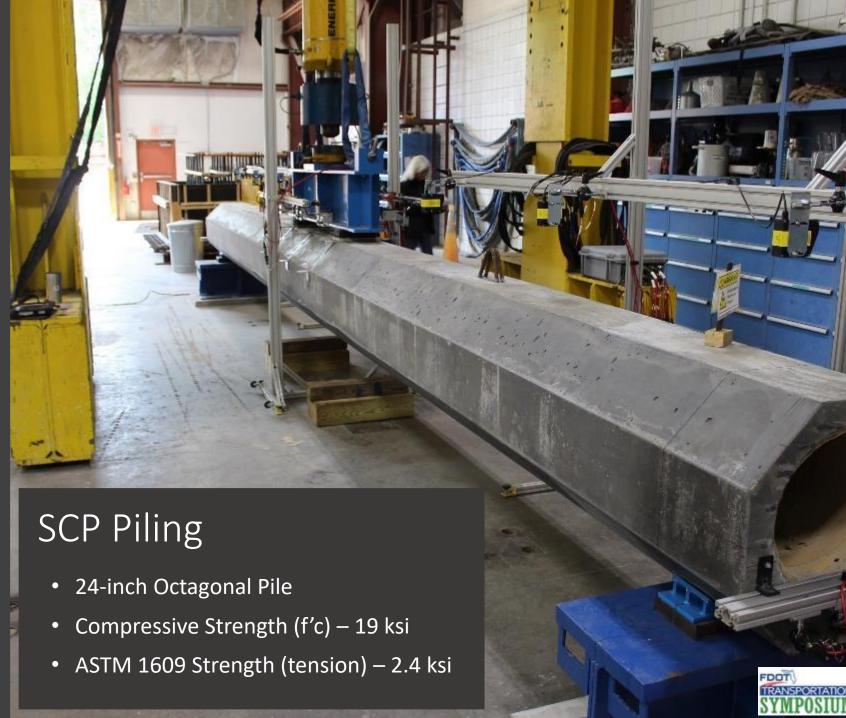


UHPC Precast Members











Dura-Stress Piling

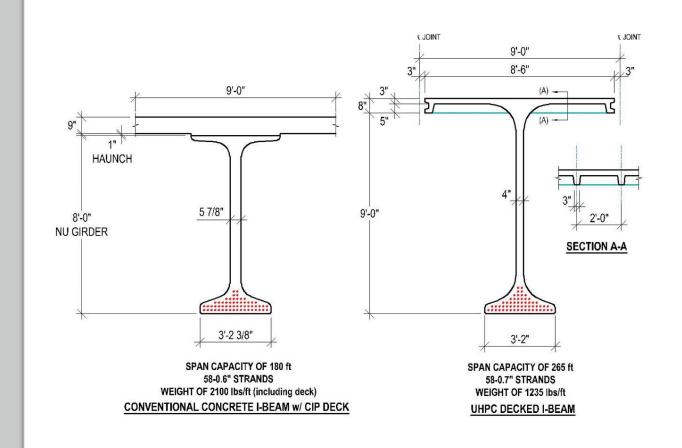
- 18-inch Square Pile
- Compr. Strength (f'c) 23-24 ksi
- Direct Tension Test 1.2 ksi





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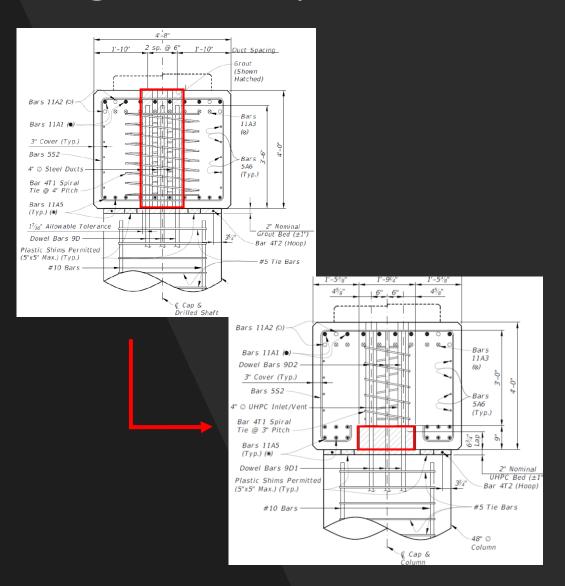
- Collaboration with Precaster's
- Developmental Specification (Dev 349 – Proprietary UHPC)
- State Materials Office –
 Developing Non-Proprietary
 Specification
- National Level
 - PCI Research
 - FHWA Research

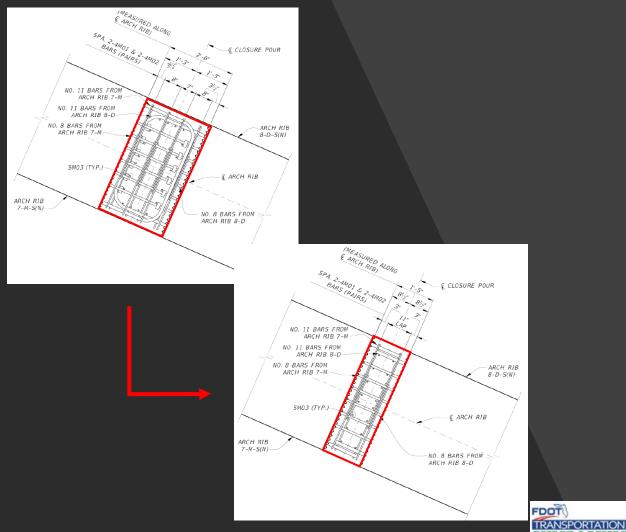


(Tadros, 2019)



Large Bars Spliced in UHPC





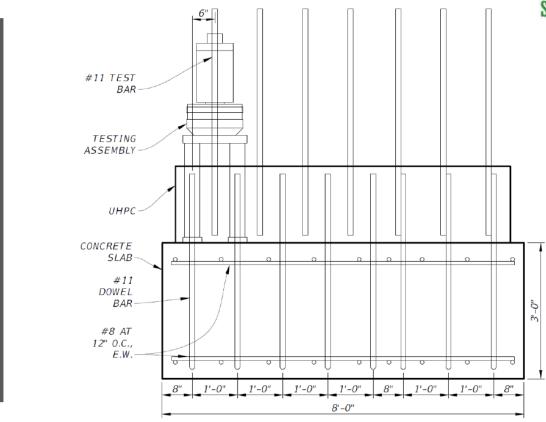
Test Parameters

- Bar Size: #8, #9, #10, #11
- Bar Strength: 60 ksi
- UHPC Strength: Less than 14 ksi target
- UHPC Fiber Content: 2% by volume
- 1.75" and 3.75" cover
- Various Bar Spacings









Test Setup



Break Modes

- 4 Different Modes
 - Side Splitting
 - UHPC Failure
 - Bar Yielding/Fracture
 - Side Splitting to Adjacent Bar

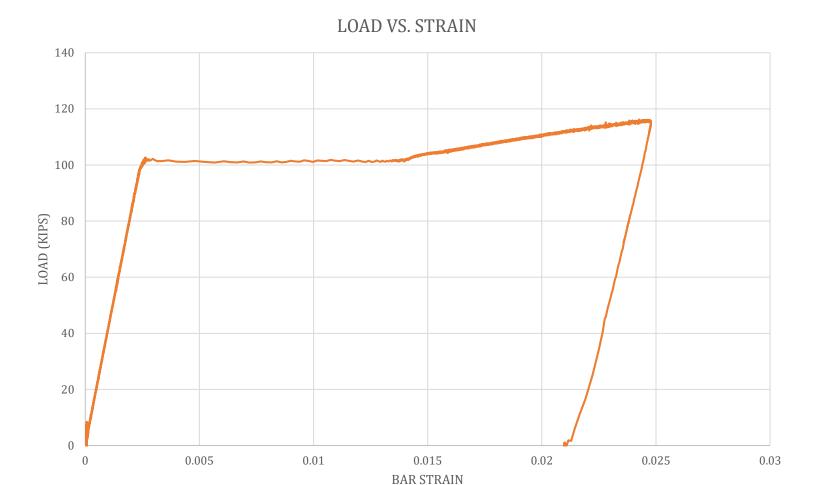


Completed Tests

Bar Size	Target Embedment Length in Bar Diameters	Target Splice Length in Bar Diameters	UHPC Clear Cover (in)	Number of Individual Bar Tests
#8	8	6	3.75	4
	8	6	1.75	14
#9	8	6	3.75	6
	8	6	1.75	5
	10	7.5	1.75	7
#10	10	8.8	1.75	6
	12	10	1.75	13
	8	6	3.75	12
#11	10	8	3.75	4
	11.5	10	3.75	5
	11.5	10	1.75	4
	13	11	1.75	7







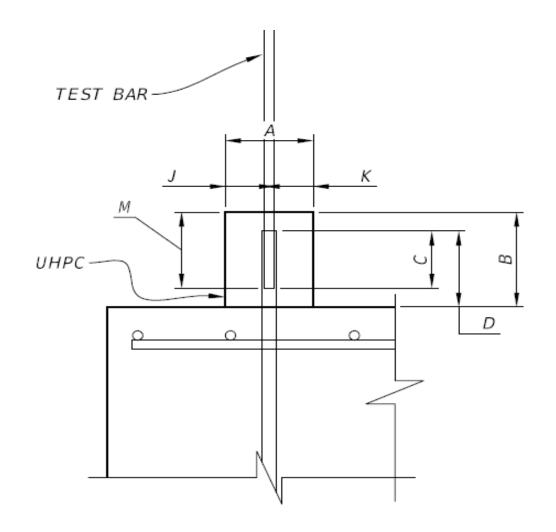


Results Processing

Preliminary Results

Required Embedment Length (M, D) in Terms of Bar Diameters							
		Bar Size					
		No. 8 (Per FHWA)	No. 9	No. 10	No. 11		
er	1.75 in	8	10	12	13		
Cove	3.75 in	8	8	8.6	10		

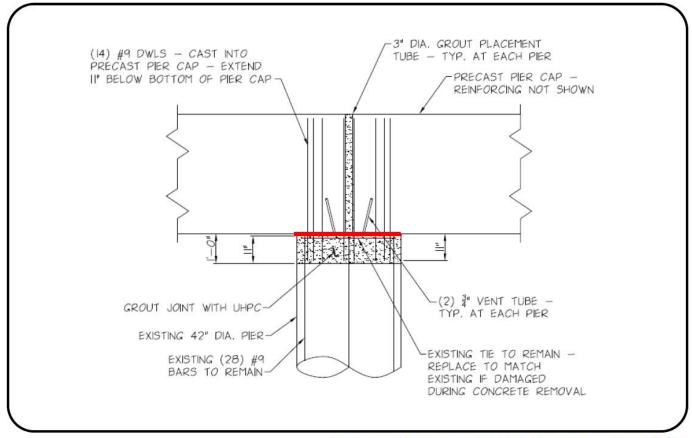
Required Splice Length (C) in Terms of Bar Diameters								
		Bar Size						
		No. 8 (Per FHWA)	No. 9	No. 10	No. 11			
over	1.75 in	6	7.5	10	11			
CoV	3.75 in	6	6	6.6	8			





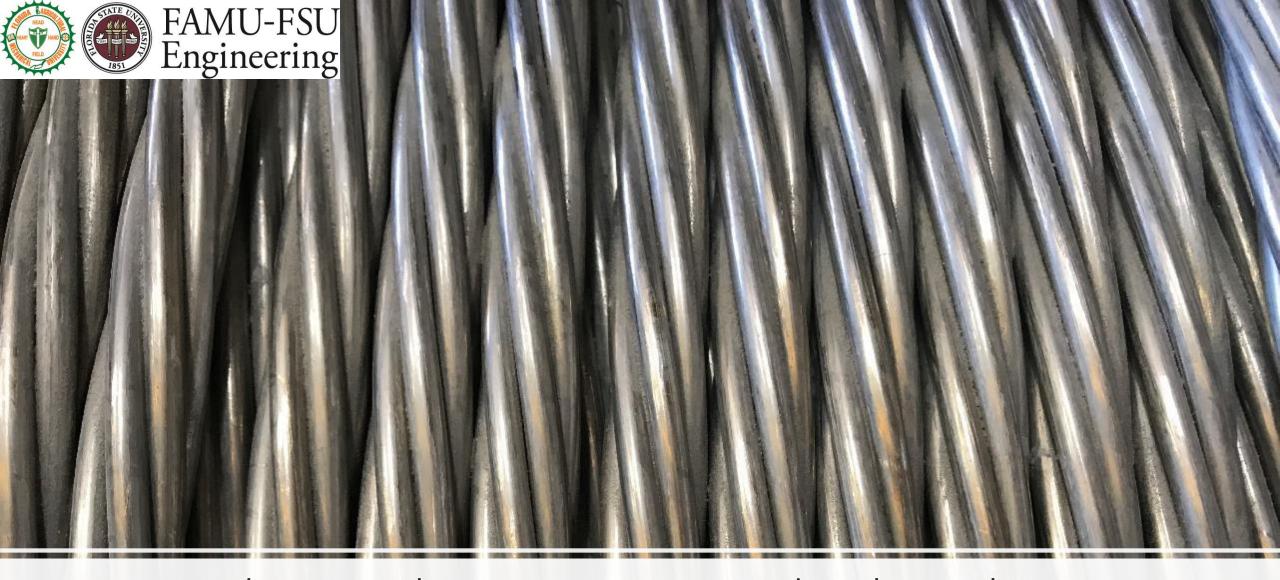
Future Testing

- Blind Pour (Bond Behavior)
- Beam Bending (Comparison to Direct Pull-out)
- Vary the Bar Spacing (8" and 2")
- Full Scale Testing



Hooper Road over US 17C in Union, New York
(Graybeal/FHWA)





Stainless-Steel Prestressing Strand – Flexural Design





- Corrosion Resistant Duplex 2205
- Improve Durability of Pretensioned Girders
- Develop Flexural Design Criteria

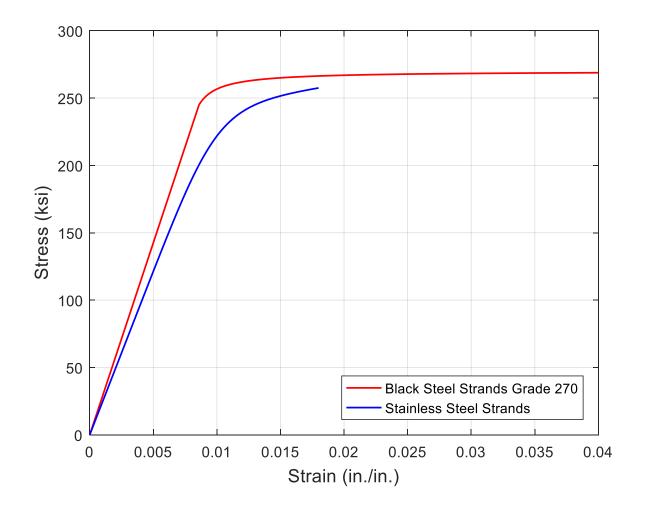
Background





SS-Strand Mechanical Properties

- Elongation 1.2-1.9%
- Tensile Strength 240 ksi
- Sizes 0.5" & 0.6"
- 0.6" Area 0.23 in²
- Elastic Modulus 24,400 ksi



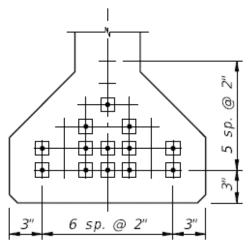




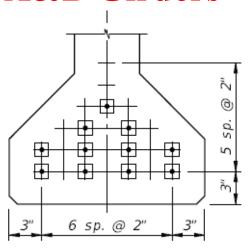
Experimental Testing

- 8 AASHTO Type II Girders
 - Length 42-ft
- Prestress Force
 - SS Girders 64% of ultimate
 - Carbon Steel 75% of ultimate
- A & B Girders 11 strands (same area)
- C Girders 13 strands (same force)

C Girders



A&B Girders

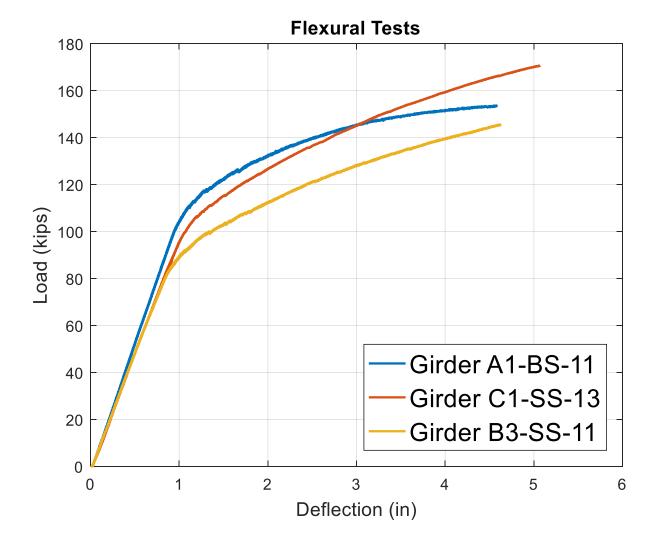








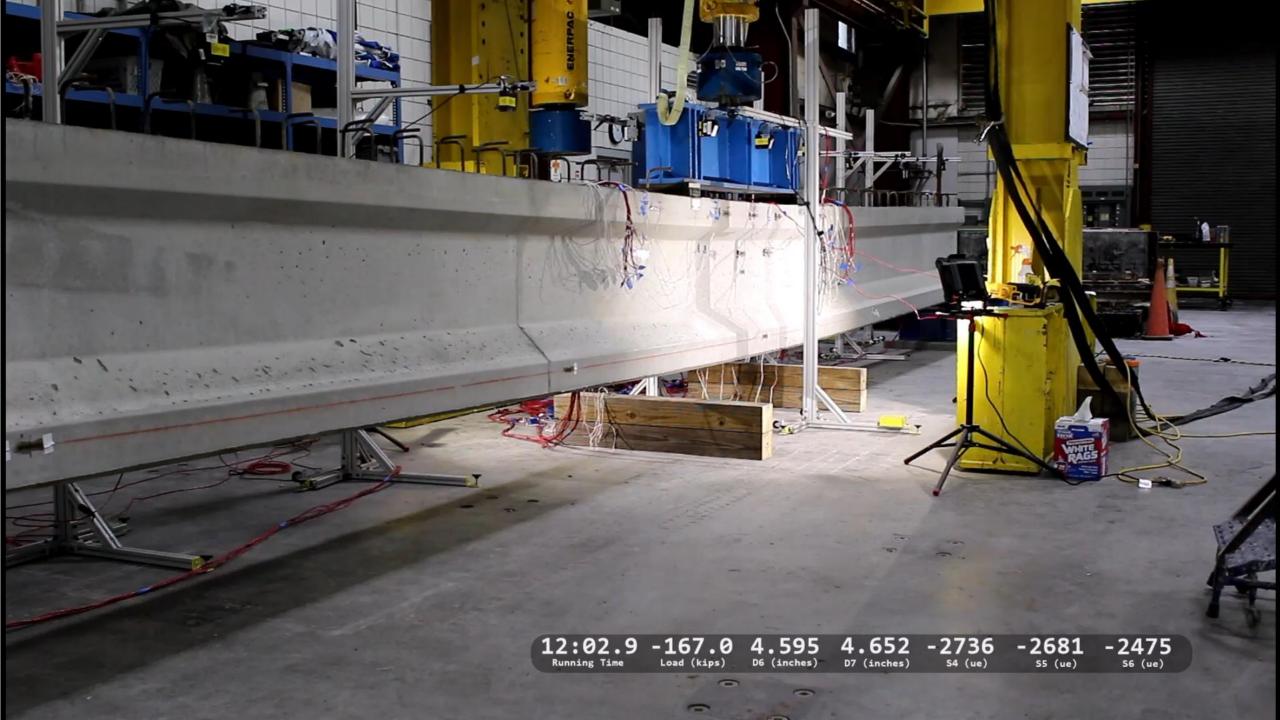
Initial Flexure Tests (No Deck)



- 4-pt bending
- Compression failure reached in all 3 Girders
- B3 and C2 bottom layer tensile strain, 0.0158 & 0.0138

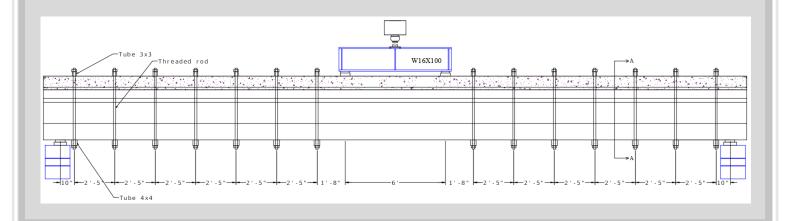


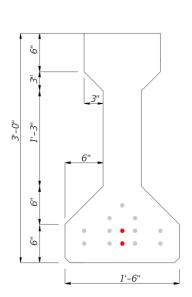


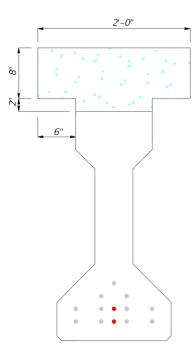


Decked Flexural Tests

- Achieve strand rupture
- Specimen B2 and C2 has GFRP shear reinforcement
- Added external clamps to prevent possibility of shear failure





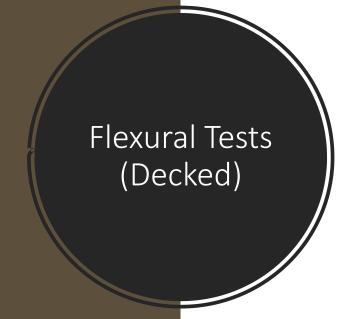


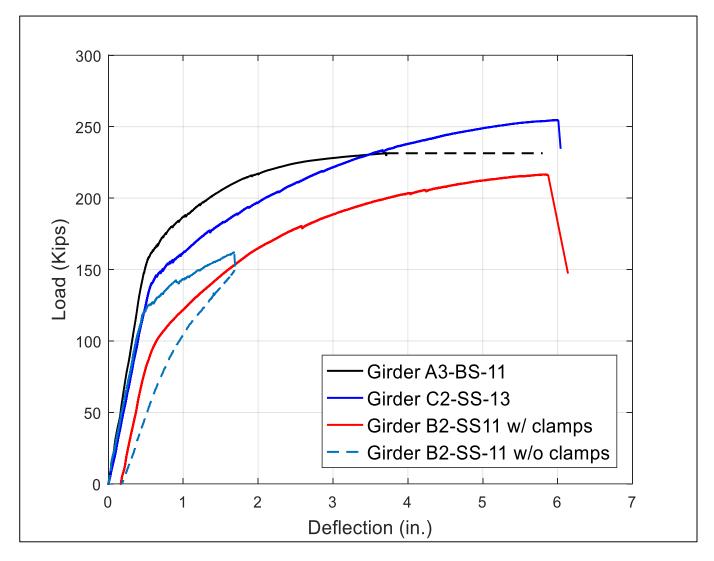










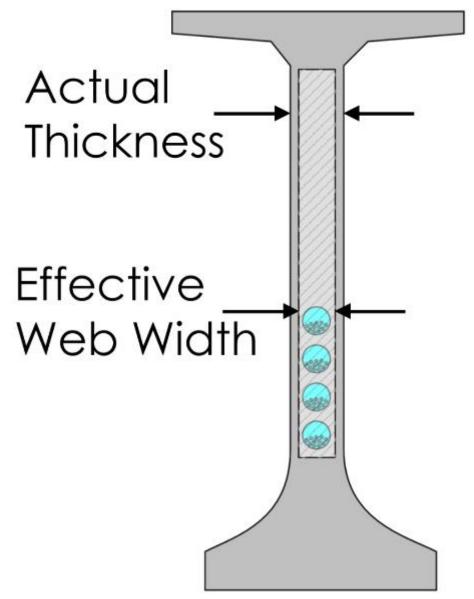


- B2 & C2 both failed with strand rupture
- A3 was stopped just prior to failure (compression)





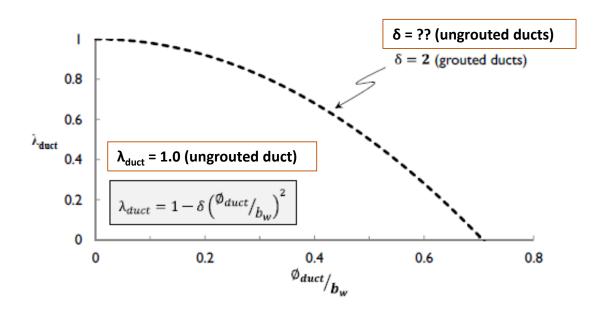
Shear Behavior of Voided Webs

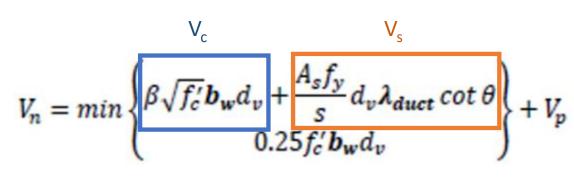












Reduce b_w to account for ungrouted duct

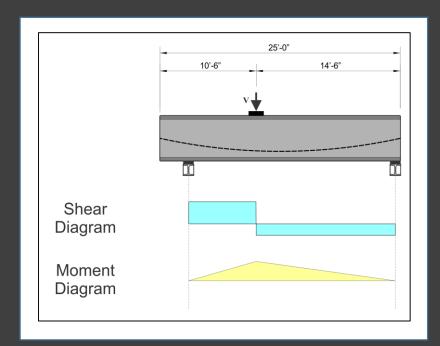
TxDOT Research – AASHTO Adopted

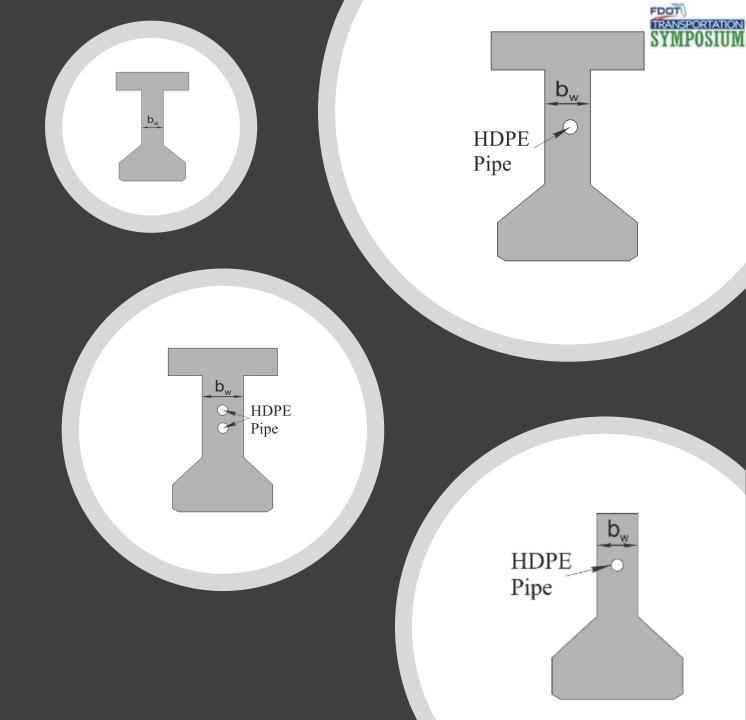




Initial Testing Phase

- Evaluation of Variables
 - Flange Boundary Conditions
 - Duct Diameter/Web Width Ratio
 - AASHTO increased to 0.54
 - 0.3-0.6 tested
 - Number of Ducts

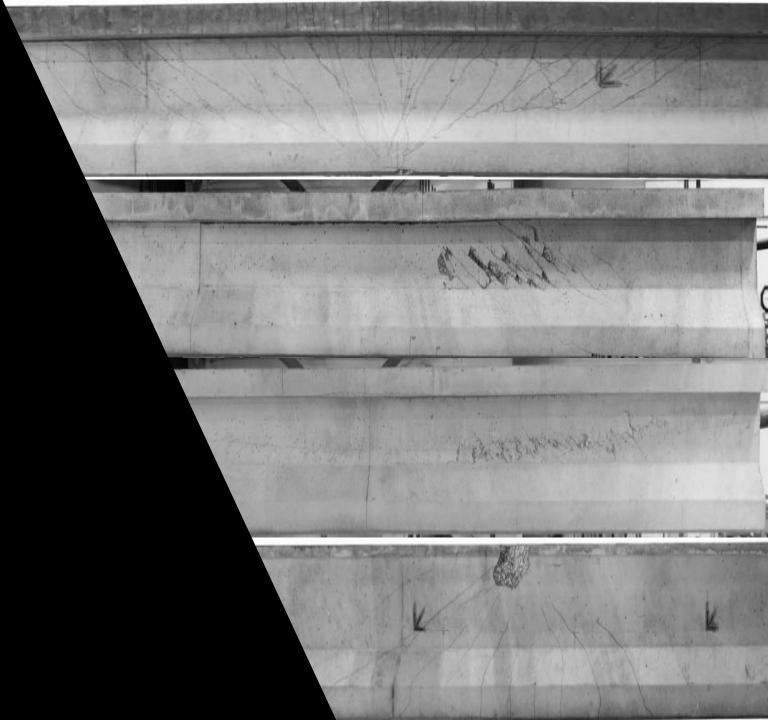


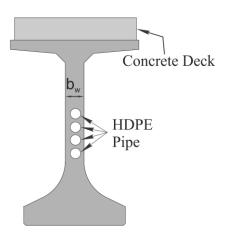


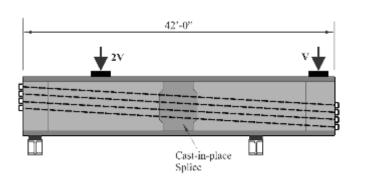


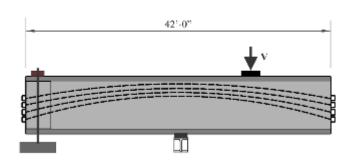
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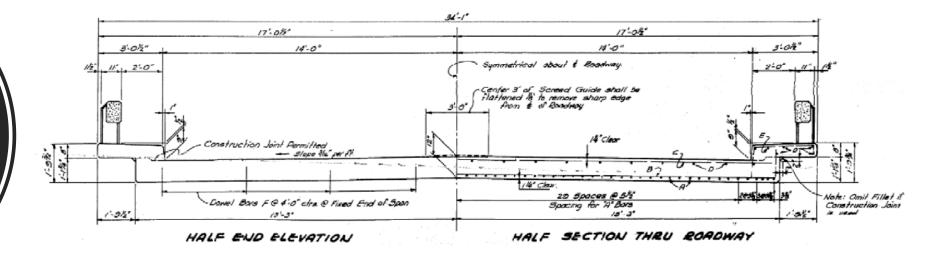
- Full-Scale Specimens
- Multiple Tendons
- Grouted vs. Empty
- Splice Region
- Negative Bending

Phase 2 in Planning





Effective
Width for
Concrete
Slab Bridges

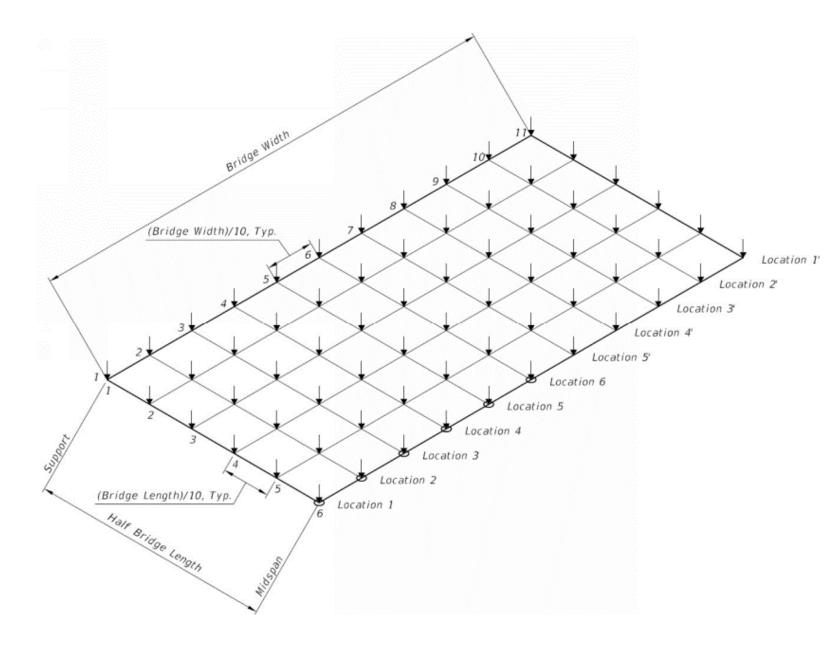


- ~980 Bridges (2016)
- ~170 Load Posted
- Varying aspect ratios
- Varying railing configurations



SALOD

- Based on 7 FEA models
- Aspect Ratio 0.5 to 3.0
- Interpolation Influence Surfaces
- Computes Effective Width
- Traditionally a "Black Box"









- SALOD is generally less conservative than AASHTO
- Only practical within the formulated aspect ratios
- Using SALOD methodology is the most effective way to improve load ratings
- Conservative when compared to load test results



Conclusions/Mathcad Program SALOD methodology into Mathcad worksheet

"Black Box" is removed

Updated to current design practice and code changes

Low cost "Refined Analysis" approach

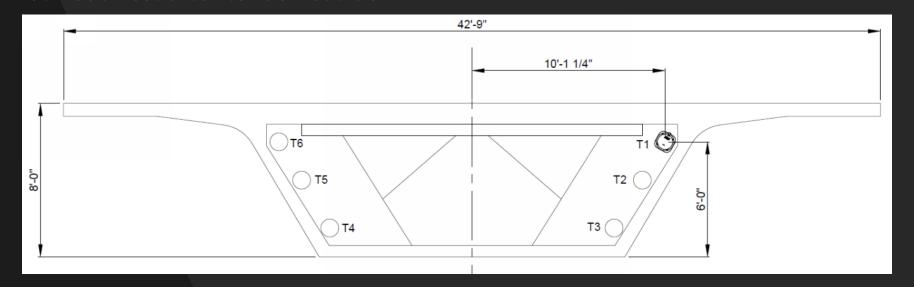


Mid-Bay Repair Monitoring

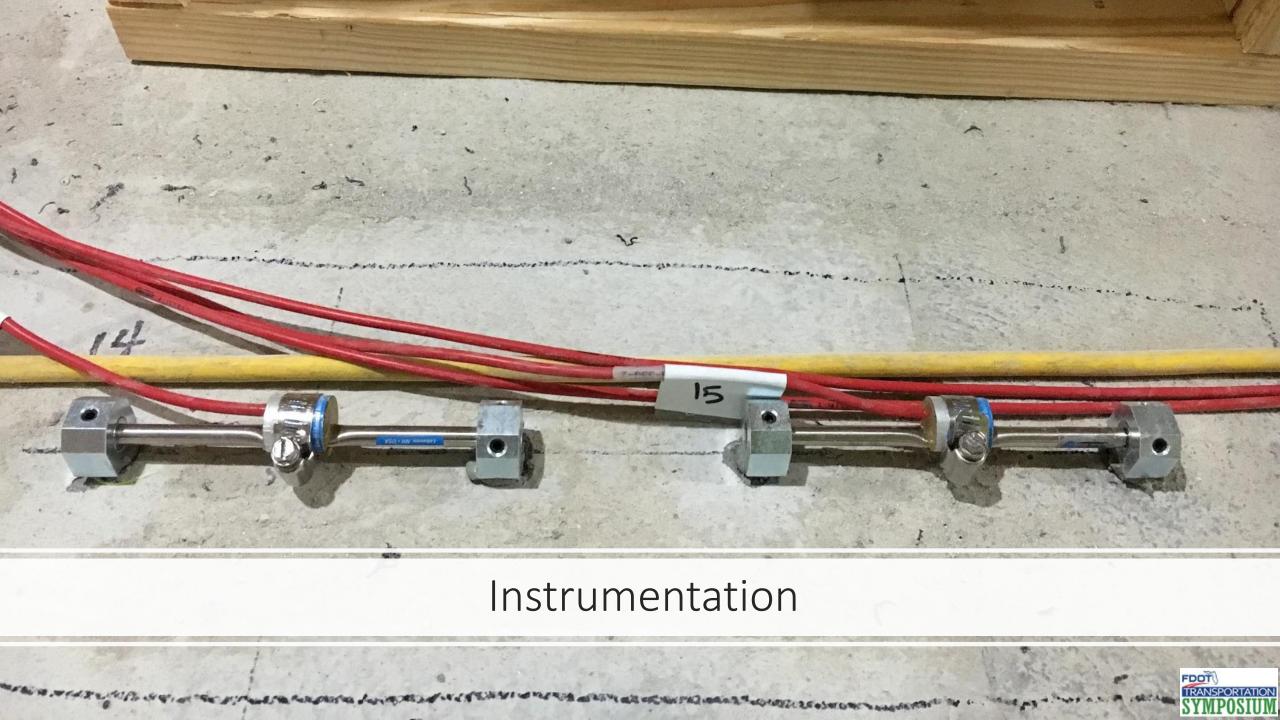
• Vibration Testing performed by Corven Engineering, Inc.

Span Number	Tendon Number	Tendon Force (kips)	
		Down-station	Up-station
39	1	702.5	243.8
40	6	218.4	783.4

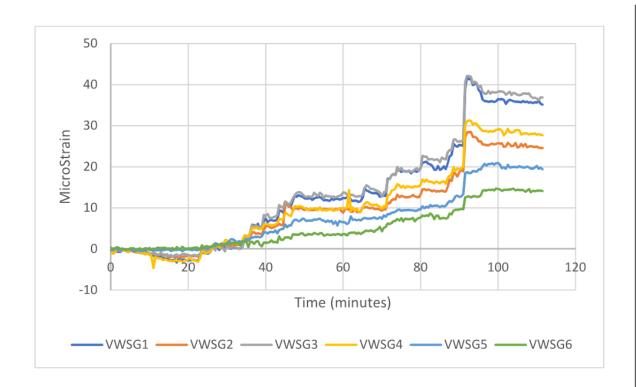
- Monitored spans 39 and 40 during tendon cut-down
- Performed Load Test after tendon cut-down



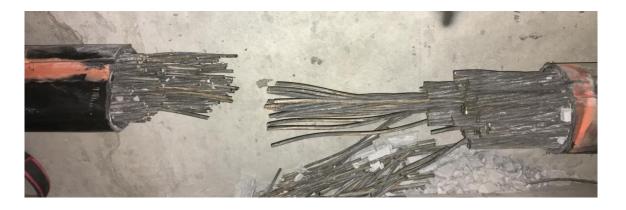




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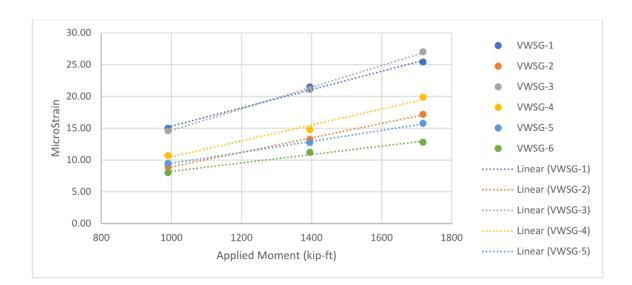


	Force (kip)		
	Based on Maximum Individual Gage	Based on Overall Average Across Width	
After Step 1	-33.1	-12.0	
After Step 13	140.7	90.0	
All Strands Cut	411.2	267.9	





Mid-Bay Repair Monitoring



Truck Load Case	Applied Moment (kip-ft)	Predicted MicroStrain
Empty	990.2	14.3
Half Load (4 Blocks)	1394.9	20.1
Full Load (7 Blocks)	1717.8	24.8



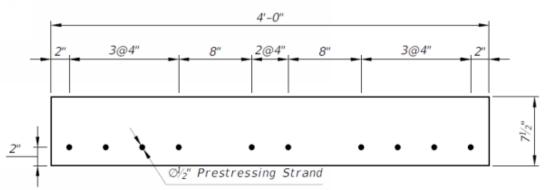


Bridge Load Testing

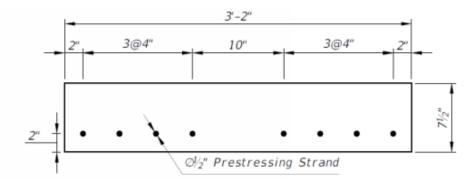
- Precast Pretensioned Panel Bridge (constructed 1977)
- Continuous for Live Load (??)
- 8 Spans (26-ft each)
- 46'-3" Width (2-12' Lanes)
- Depth 11.75" (7.5" precast panel 4.25" topping)
- Crutch Bents added in 2003
- Condition is Good
- Emergency Vehicle Load Rating (EV3)







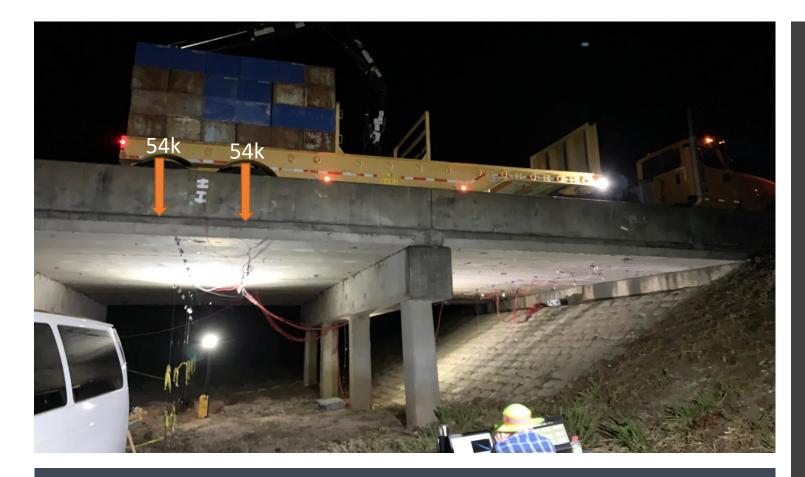
(a) Interior Beam

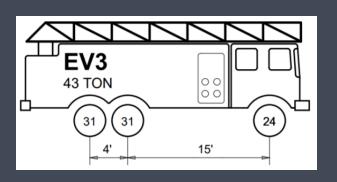


(b) Exterior Beam









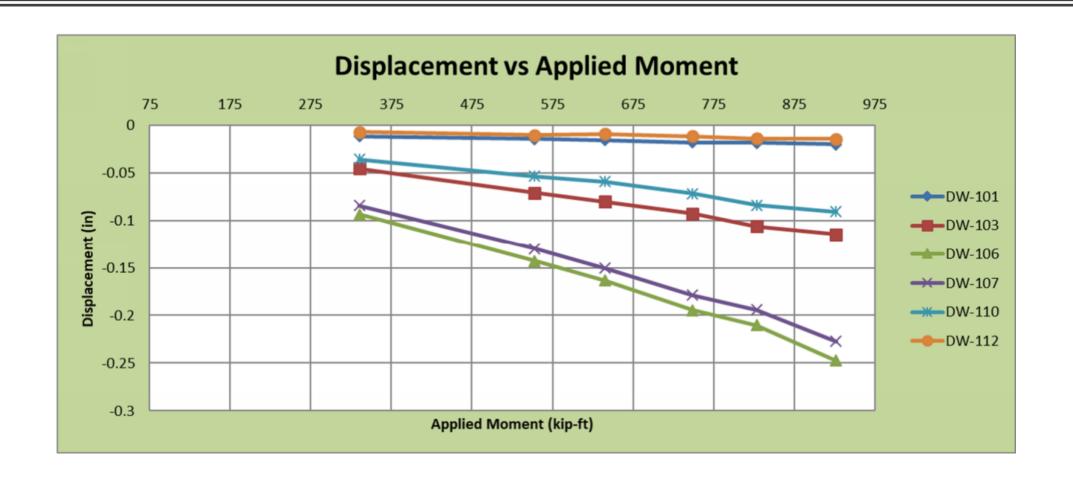
Proof Load Test

- Section 8 Manual for Bridge Evaluation (MBE)
- Limited Bridge Information
- $L_T = X_{pA}L_R(1 + IM)$
 - $X_{pA} = 1.3 \text{ to } 2.2 \text{ (1.4)}$
 - $L_R = Unfact.LL$ of vehicle
- Target $L_T = 463 \ kip ft$
- Test Truck $L_p = 463 \ kip ft$



Linearity Check

Linear response (strain and displacement) for both monitored spans





Additional Research Topics

Shear Friction Capacity of Corrugated Pipe Connections in Precast Footing

Fiber-Reinforced Concrete Traffic Railings

Hybrid Prestressed Concrete Girders using UHPC

Evaluation of Concrete Pile to Footing Connections

Evaluation of Tapered Bearing Pads

Evaluation of GFRP Spirals in Piling

Florida-Slab Beam (FSB) with UHPC Joints



Questions

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