



# FARM Bridge Program

# THE FARM DESIGN BUILD PROJECT

Fixing Access to Rural Missouri (FARM)

MoDOT identified 41 rural bridges in northern MO

MoDOT applied for a grant through the Competitive Highway Bridge Program



# Project Overview

Four criteria were used to identify bridges

- In poor condition
- Weight-restricted
- One-lane but carry 2-way traffic
- On timber piles

## Additional Information

- Bridges located in 17 counties in the NE and NW Districts
- Bridges range in length from 198' down to 28'
- AADT ranges from 1199 vpd down to 36 vpd
- Bridges were constructed between 1927 and 1955

# Typical Bridge

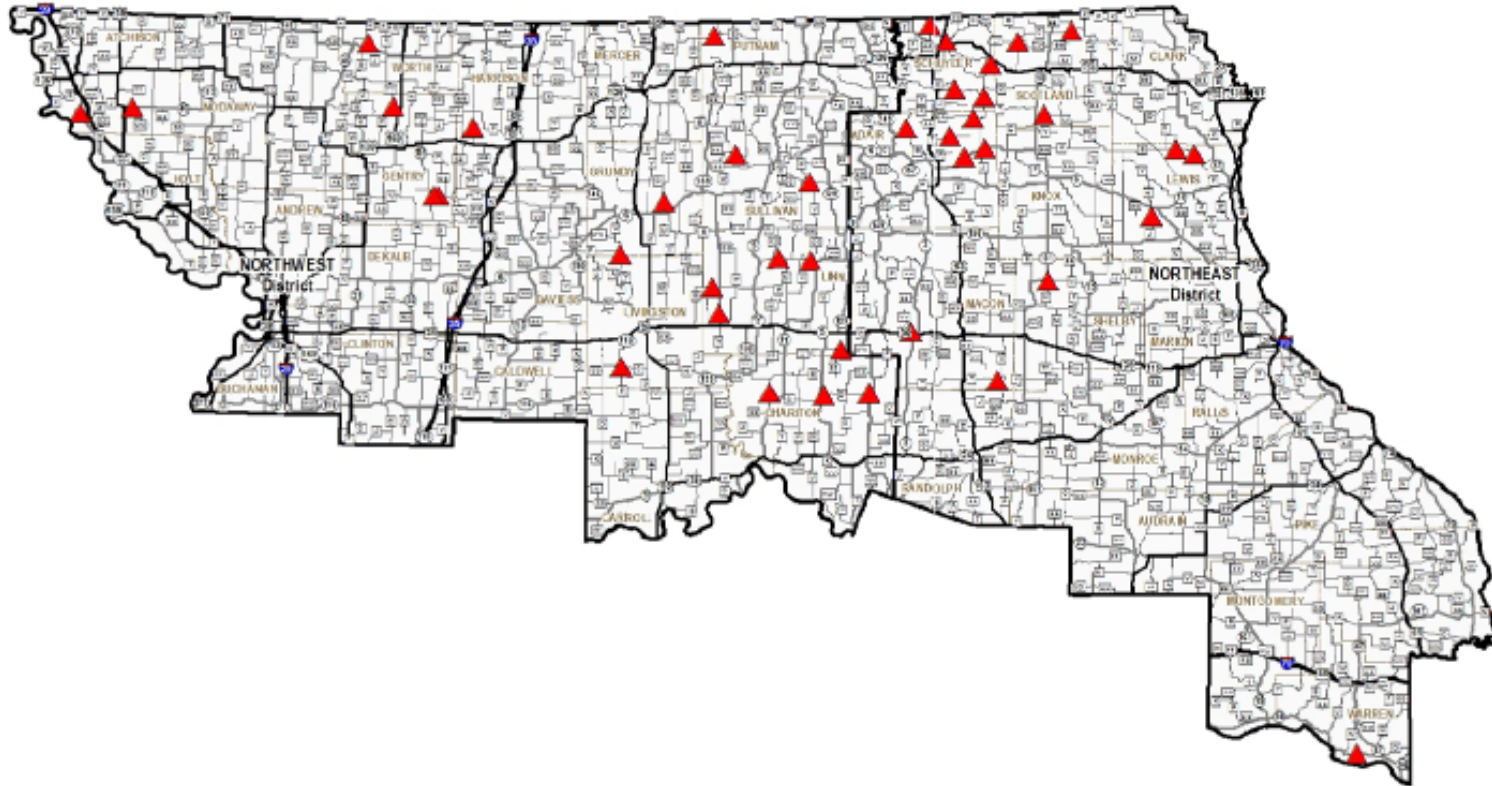


# Typical Bridge



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▲ Poor/One Lane/Weight Restricted/Timber Pile (41 Total)



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Grant application submitted through USDOT Competitive Highway Bridge Program

- Only available to rural states
- Applied for \$28 Million – Received \$20.8 Million
- Minimum of 30 bridges to be constructed
- Minimum Benefit Cost Ratio of 23.7
- Project to be delivered using Design-Build

# Project Goals

1. Safely deliver the project within the program budget of \$25.99 million on or before October 31, 2023
2. Use innovation to maximize the number of locations to be addressed
3. Provide quality long-lasting structures
4. Minimize public inconvenience through increased construction speed and flexibility in scheduling



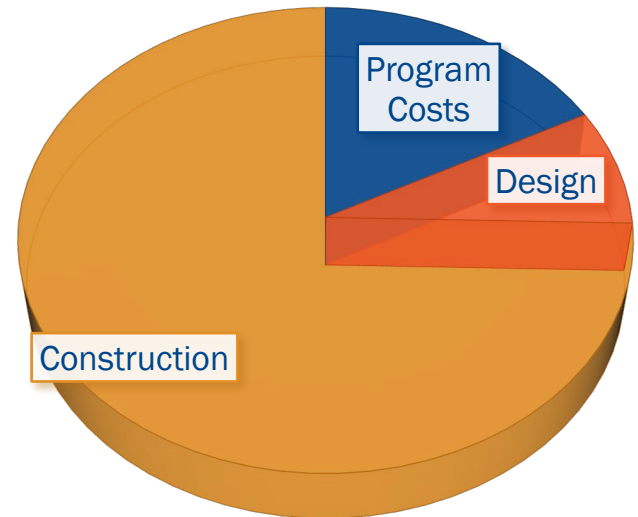
# Budget

Total Program Budget is \$25.99 million

- Project was awarded \$20.794 grant through Competitive Highway Bridge Program
- Matching funds of \$5.2 million will come from the NE and NW Districts

Design-Build Contract is \$21.5 million

## FARM DESIGN BUILD



# Project Requirements

All construction will consist of structure replacement

- No bridge rehabilitations will be allowed
- Alternative solutions related to structure type and structure elimination will be entertained

# Proposal Evaluation

## Technical Reviews

Proposals evaluated in 3 scoring categories

- Bridge Bundle Definition was scored from data entered into the DB-903a form
- Bridge Quality and Longevity was scored by a team of 8 technical experts.
- Location Completion and Maintenance of Traffic was scored by a team of 6 technical experts.

Category	Available Points
Bridge Bundle Definition	55
Bridge Quality and Longevity	30
Location Completion and Maintenance of Traffic	15
Total	100

# Bridge Bundle Definition

Project Goal #2: Use innovation to maximize the number of locations to be addressed.

Category	Available Points
Bridge Bundle Definition	
Part 1 – DB-903a Bridge Definition Summary	40
Part 2 – Bonus Points	15
Total	55

# DB-903a FORM

The DB-903a Form is a self scoring spreadsheet provided to the teams. The teams selected from allowable treatments and were self-scored according to the selections they proposed.

Bridge Treatment	Method Credits Points
No Treatment	0
Replacement	1
Alternative Treatment Method	*

\*Method Credit to be determined by MoDOT after submission as ATM

# DB-903a FORM

- **Method Credit:** Based on Proposed work (None, Replacement, or ATM)
- **Size Factor:** Based on the size of the existing structure
- **Weighted Factor:** Based on the bridge condition ratings, ADT factor, and priority factor
- **Total Credit** = Method Credit \* Size Factor \* Weighted Factor
- **Sum Total:** Sum of Total Credit for locations completed

# DB-903a FORM

When printing, set paper size to 11x17 landscape								Fields Completed by Proposer							
Bridge Count	District	Bridge Number	Route	County	Year Built	Feature Crossed	Benefit / Cost Ratio (BCR)	ADT	Proposer's Choice Method of Work	Proposed Alternate Treatment Method	Method Credit	Size Factor	Weighted Factor	Total Credit	
28	NE	P0251	E	LEWIS	1952	DERRAHS BR	44.2	201	Replacement		1	3.34	1.45	4.851	
29	NE	X0769	J	LEWIS	1948	BIG GRASSY CR	16.3	192	Replacement		1	3.70	1.09	4.017	
30	NE	P0315	Y	MACON	1953	HOOVER CR	35.1	362	Replacement		1	4.06	1.15	4.669	
31	NE	P0233	C	SCHUYLER	1952	N FK MID FABIUS RV	25.5	254	Replacement		1	3.19	1.11	3.555	
32	NE	P0398	M	SCHUYLER	1954	S FK N FABIUS RVR	4.8	52	Replacement		1	2.57	1.86	4.778	
33	NE	S0911	A	SCHUYLER	1933	BRUSHY CR	28.3	290	Replacement		1	4.53	1.88	8.519	
34	NE	T0891	E	SCHUYLER	1941	N FK S FABIUS RVR	11.4	117	Replacement		1	3.95	1.86	7.350	
35	NE	X0097	A	SCHUYLER	1935	N FK MID FABIUS RV	40.0	408	Replacement		1	3.53	1.67	5.892	
36	NE	S0414	W	SCOTLAND	1932	TOBIN CR	11.2	129	Replacement		1	5.08	1.50	7.629	
37	NE	X0174	H	SCOTLAND	1949	N FK N WYACONDA RV	36.4	296	Replacement		1	3.84	1.51	5.788	
38	NE	X0201	B	SCOTLAND	1949	N FK N FABIUS RVR	27.9	296	Replacement		1	4.21	1.51	6.334	
39	NE	T0391	M	SHELBY	1932	BLACK CR	21.2	264	Replacement		1	4.53	1.86	8.447	
40	NE	X0212	MO 94	WARREN	1947	TRELOAR CR	77.9	1460	Replacement		1	4.31	1.29	5.556	
Total Number of Locations Completed=											40	Must be greater than 30			
Average Benefit/Cost Ratio=											25.6	Must be greater than 23.7			
Sum Total:													244.969		

# Best Value Proposal



The Lehman-Wilson proposal includes:

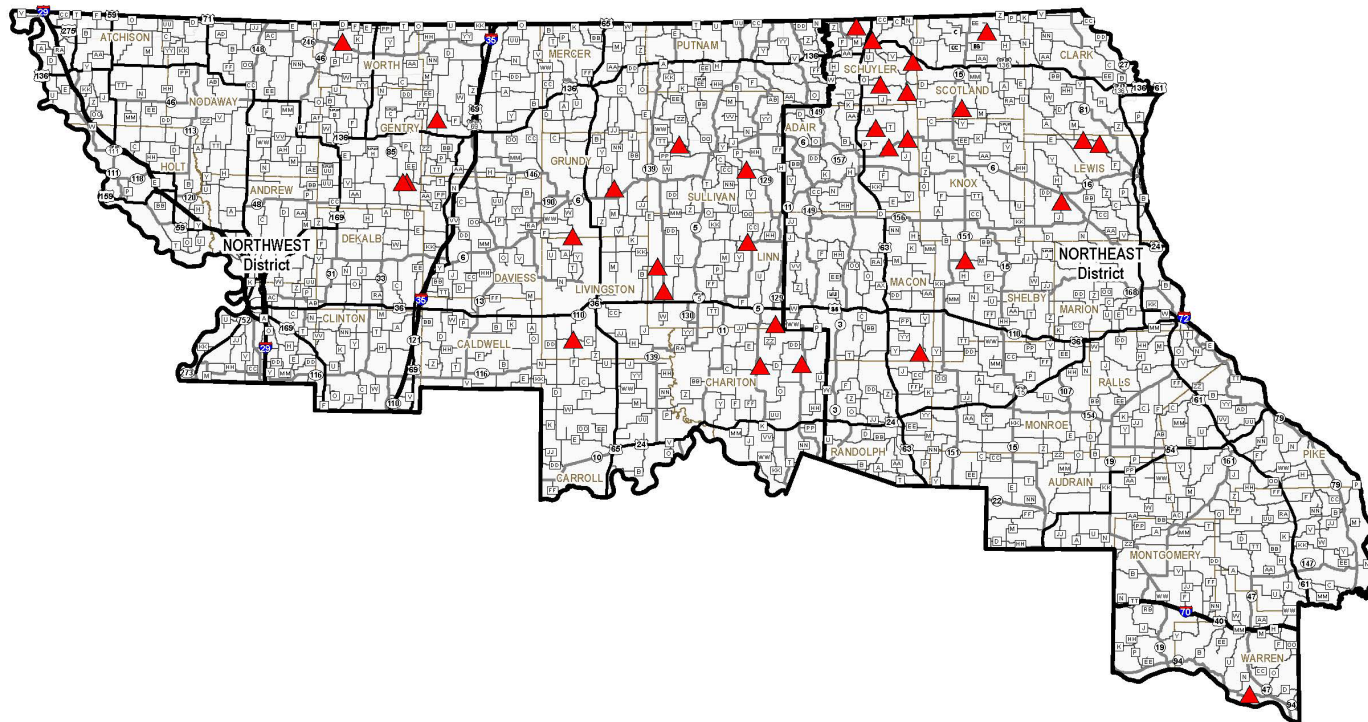
- 31 structures replaced
- Low maintenance steel structures that allow for future re-deck and rehabilitation
- Added value of \$760,000 over other Proposals (Based on MoDOT's original estimates)
- Additional 2321 SQFT of existing bridge deck replaced
- Highest average ADT for routes included of any proposal
- Highest average Benefit Cost Ratio of any proposal



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Number of Bridge Replacements: 31 of 41 (30 minimum)

- 3 – RCB
- 3 – Single Span
- 25 – SDCL



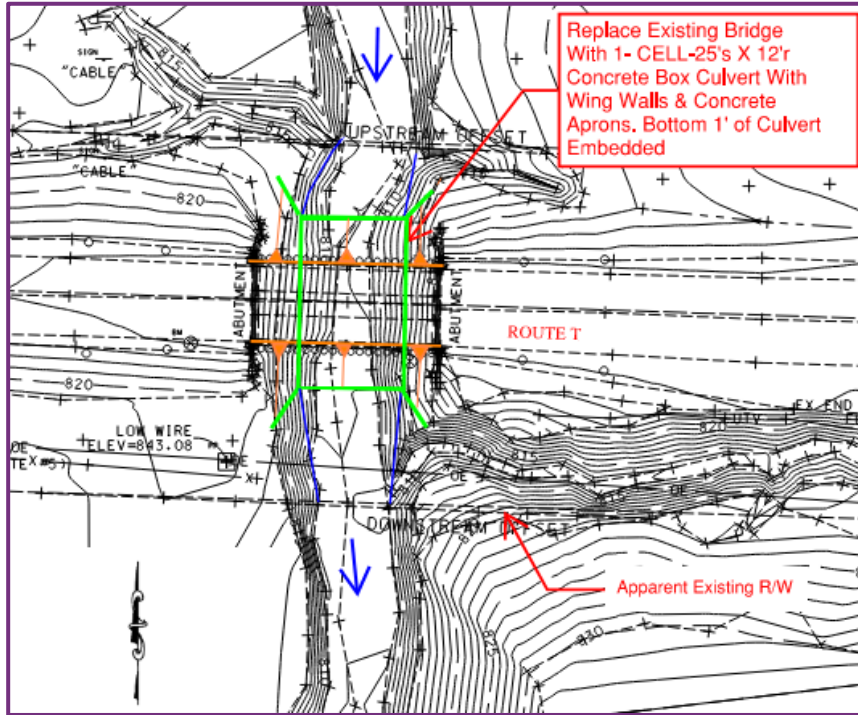
# Design Build Innovation During Proposal

NUMBER	TITLE	DESCRIPTION	MoDOT RESPONSE
AAS-01	Continuous Approach Slab Placement	Details describing a technique to place the bridge approach slab monolithic with the bridge deck	Accepted
AAS-03	Simple for Dead Load-Continuous for Live Load (SDCL) Steel Girder Design Methodology	Details describing the advantages of this methodology compared to conventional methods for designing and constructing steel bridges	Accepted
ATM-01	Bridge S0386 Replacement	Describes approach to replace the bridge with a reinforced concrete box culvert	Accepted
ATM-02	Bridge S0050 Elimination	Describes approach to eliminate the bridge with a reinforced concrete box culvert	Accepted
ATM-03	Bridge P0521 Replacement	Describes approach to replace the bridge with a reinforced concrete box culvert	Accepted

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# Alternate Treatment Methods

## Concrete Box Culverts

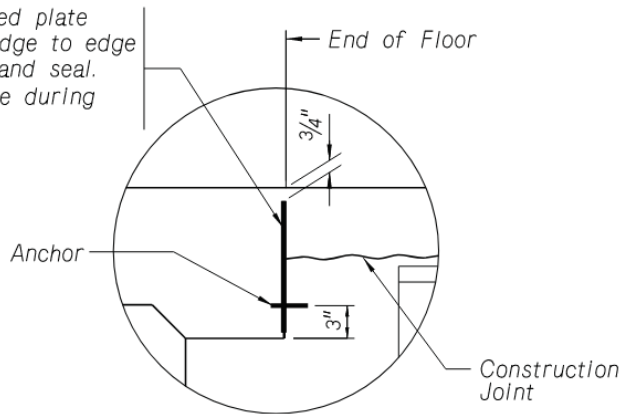


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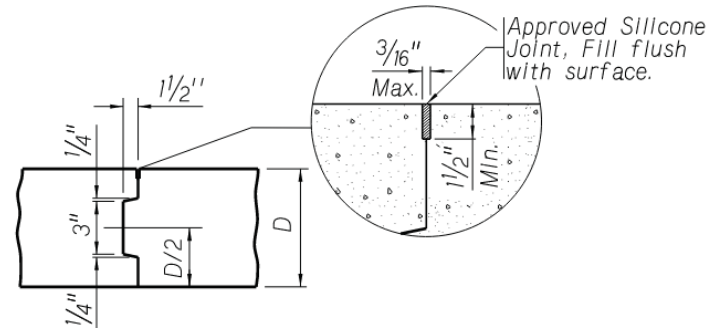
# CONTINUOUSLY PAVED APPROACH SLAB

8 ga. Galvanized plate extend from edge to edge of deck, tool and seal. Stabilized plate during pour.



## ALTERNATE JOINT DETAIL AT END OF FLOOR

To be used if approach slab is poured continuous with bridge deck.  
Not to Scale



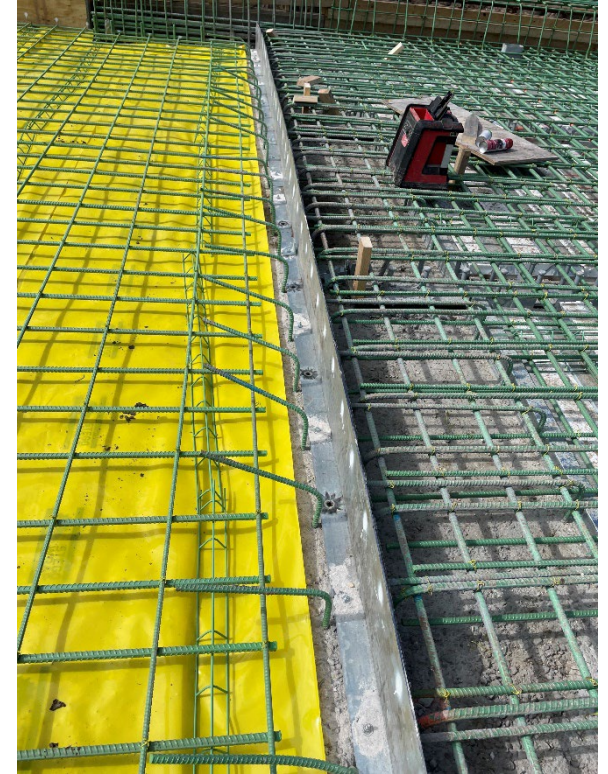
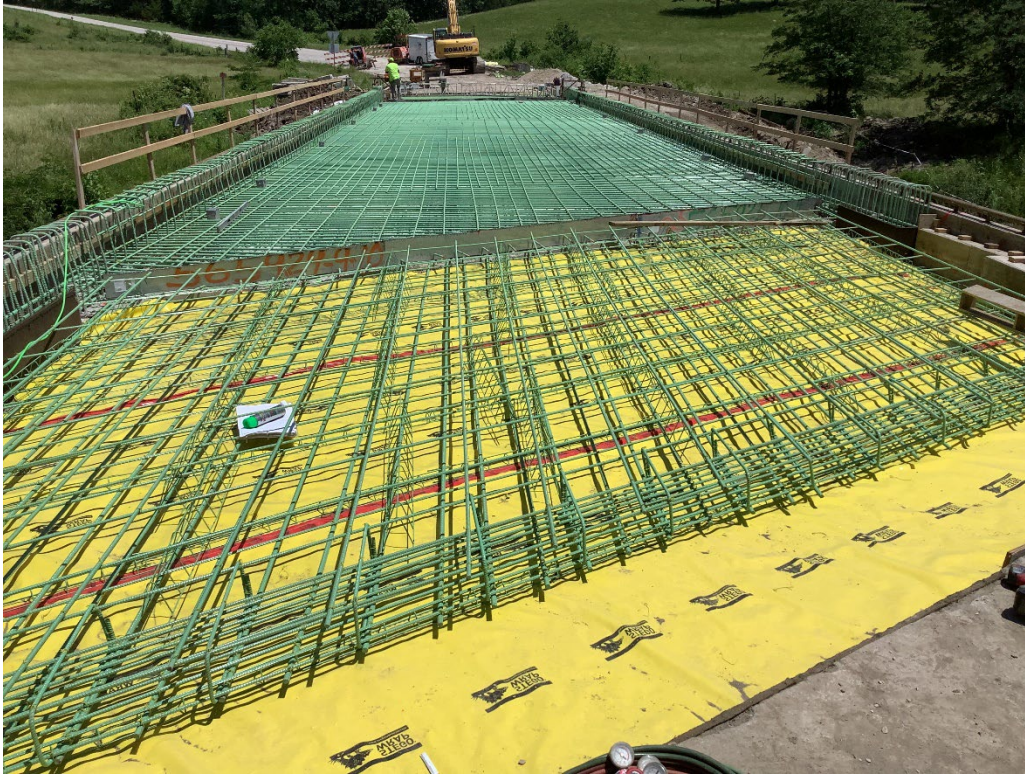
## CONSTRUCTION JOINT

Not to Scale

The Contractor shall prepare and seal the joint according to the manufacturer's recommendation. Before sealing the joint wall surfaces shall be sandblasted to remove any deleterious material.

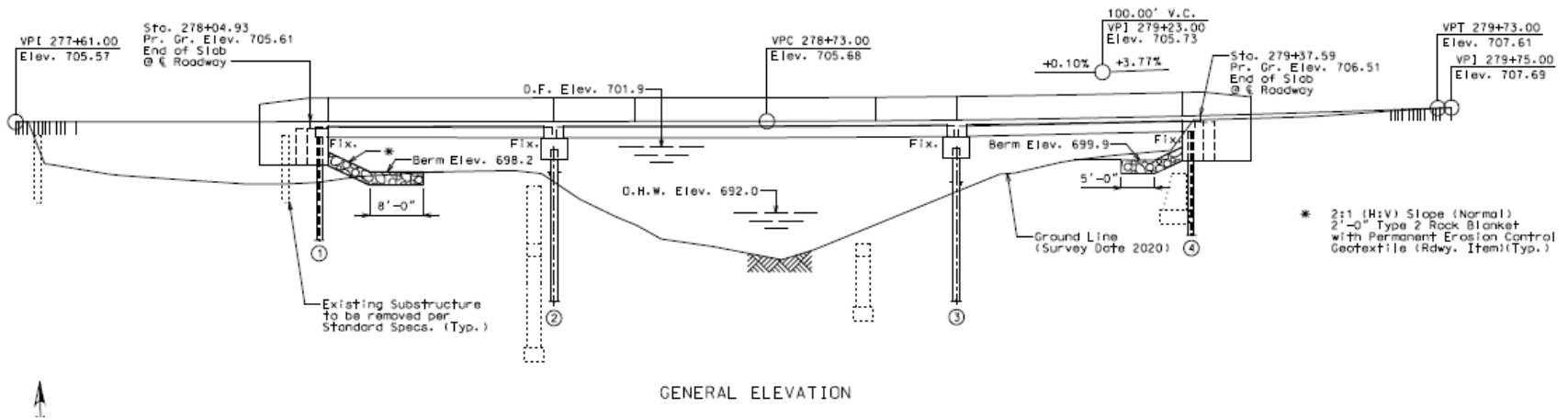
After sandblasting the entire joint shall be cleaned with compressed air having a minimum pressure of 90 psi. The compressed air shall be free of any contaminants. The joint shall be dry at the time of sealing.

# CONTINUOUSLY PAVED APPROACH SLAB



# Simple for Dead Continuous for Live (SDCL)

Multi-span bridges using simple span wide flange beams, made continuous (like P/S I-girders)



# Why SDCL


Ease of construction

Eliminates the use of traditional field splices

Advantageous span ratios

- 21'-44'-21' or 23'-48'-23'
- Customize beams to the spans

Simple details make steel much more competitive

- Certified Bridge Fabricator – Simple (SBR) 
- Certified Bridge Fabricator – Intermediate (IBR)
- Certified Bridge Fabricator – Advanced (ABR)



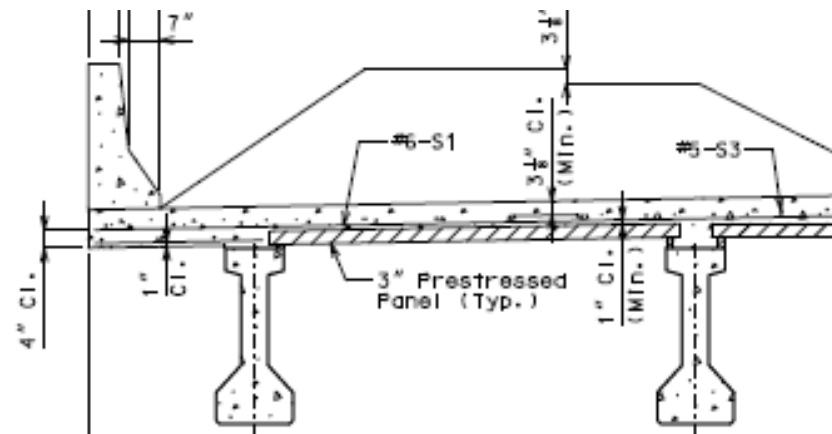
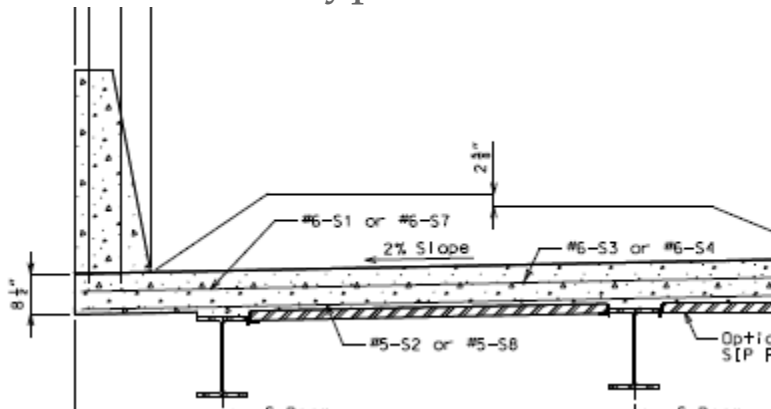
# Why SDCL

## Beam Weights (steel vs. concrete)

- W18x158 @ 60' = 9480 lbs.
- MoDOT Type 3 @ 60' = 23,869 lbs.
- Easier to handle
- Cost effective foundation type

## Thinner superstructure (no grade raise, “no-rise” cert.)

- W18x158 @ 60' = 19.7"
- MoDOT Type 3 @ 60' = 39"



# SDCL Formulae

Calculate the required area of slab tension reinforcement (Strength Limit State)

$$A_s = \frac{M_u}{\phi f_y (d - H/2)}$$

Calculate the minimum height of the steel compression block

$$H_{\min} = \frac{1.7A_s f_y}{b_f F_{ypl}}$$

$H_{\min}$  = minimum height of the bottom compression block,  
parallel to the depth of the girder, in.

$F_{ypl}$  = yield strength of the steel block, ksi

$b_f$  = width of the girder flange, in.

\*Engineering Journal / Second Quarter / 2014

# SDCL Connection

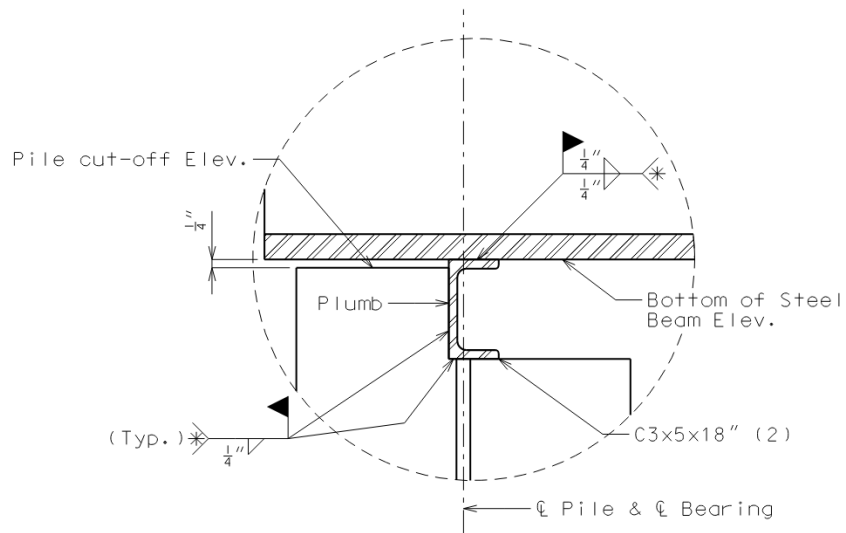


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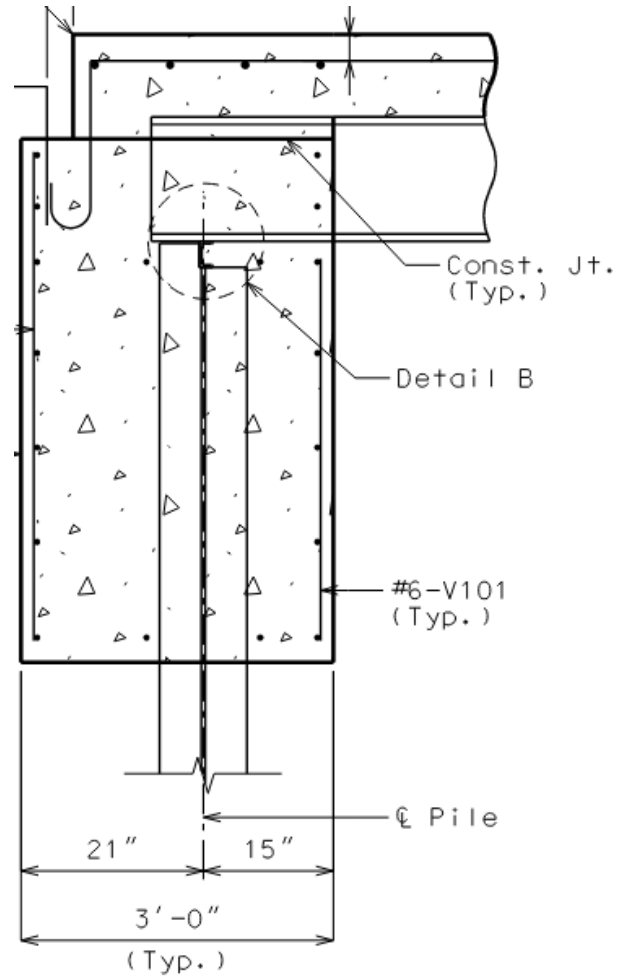
# Innovation During Delivery

## Single-Stage Abutment Caps



DETAIL B

\* Galvanizing material shall be omitted or removed one inch clear of weld locations in accordance with Sec 702.



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Beams with webs greater than 18 inches allow the use of traditional C-49 overhang brackets



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## COLD WEATHER CURING

Structured schedule to continue through winter



# FARM DESIGN BUILD PROJECT

Where are we now?

- 15 bridges complete and open
- 5 currently under construction
- 4 more scheduled to close by the end March
- All construction to be completed by 9-15-2023

# What do FARM Bridges look like?



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# Any Questions?

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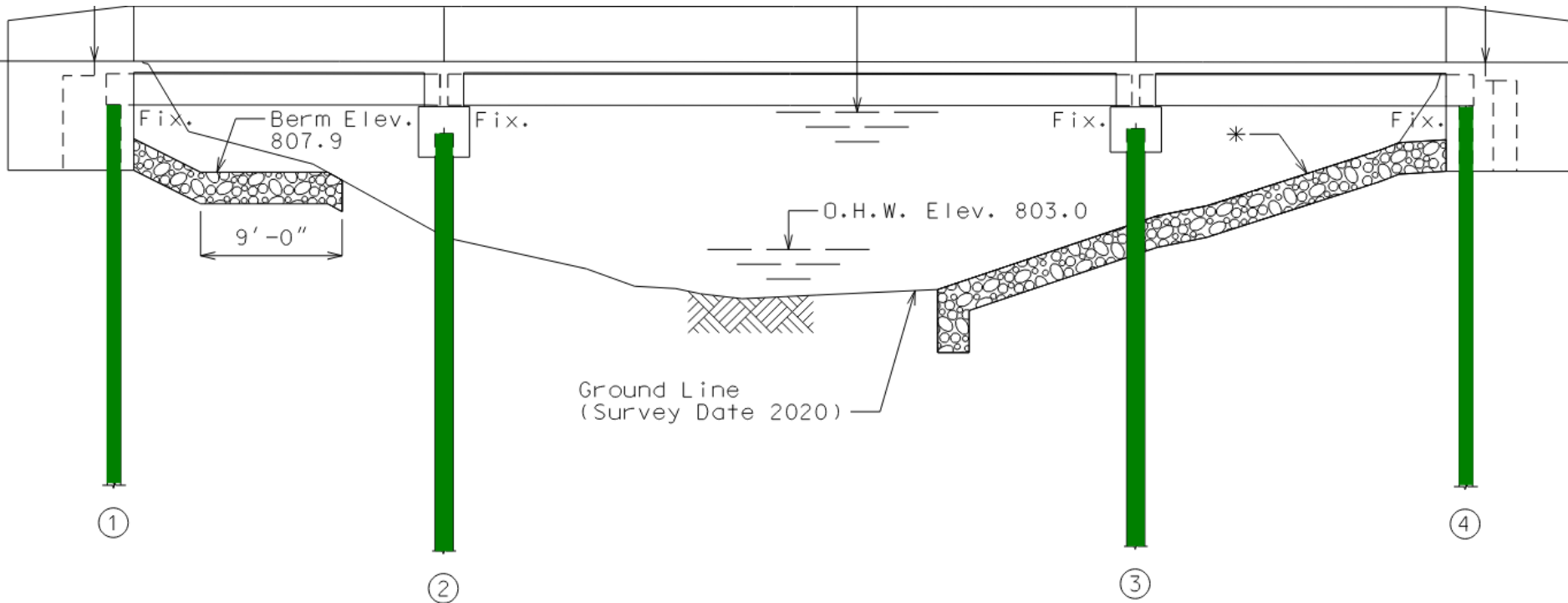
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# Bonus Slides for Q&A

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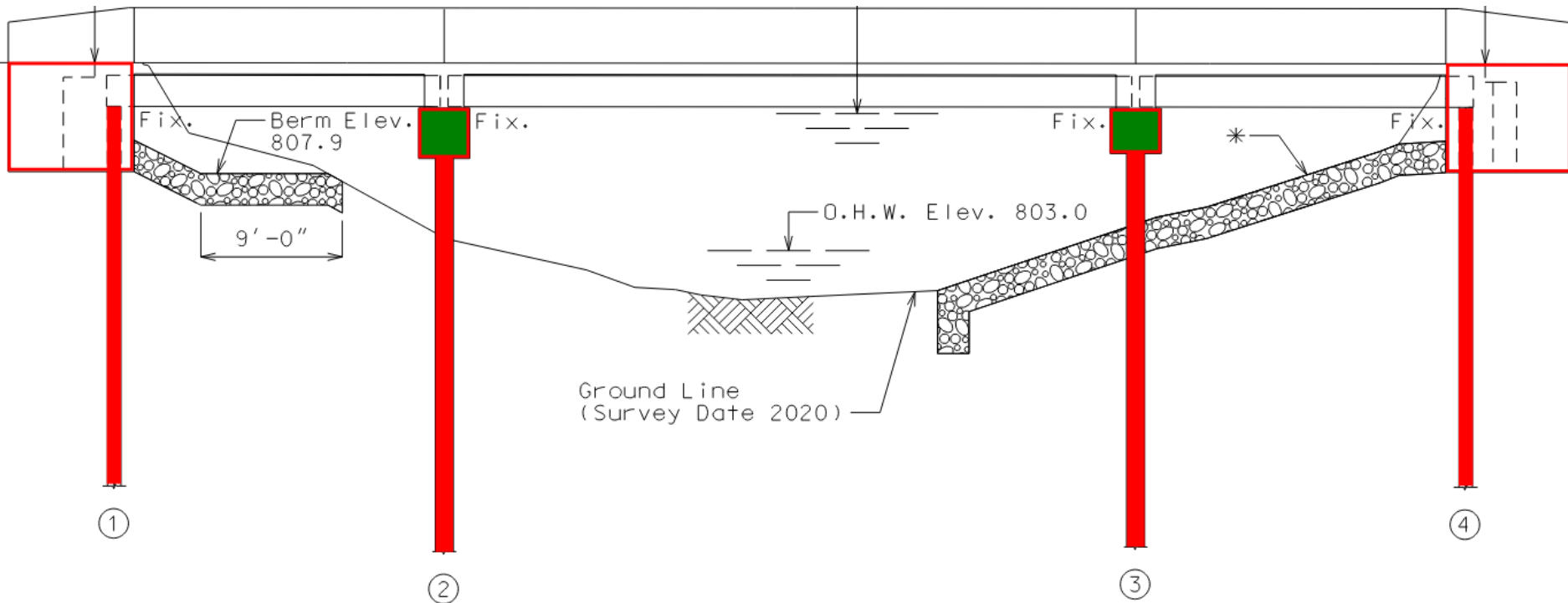
Week 2 - Drive pile at bents





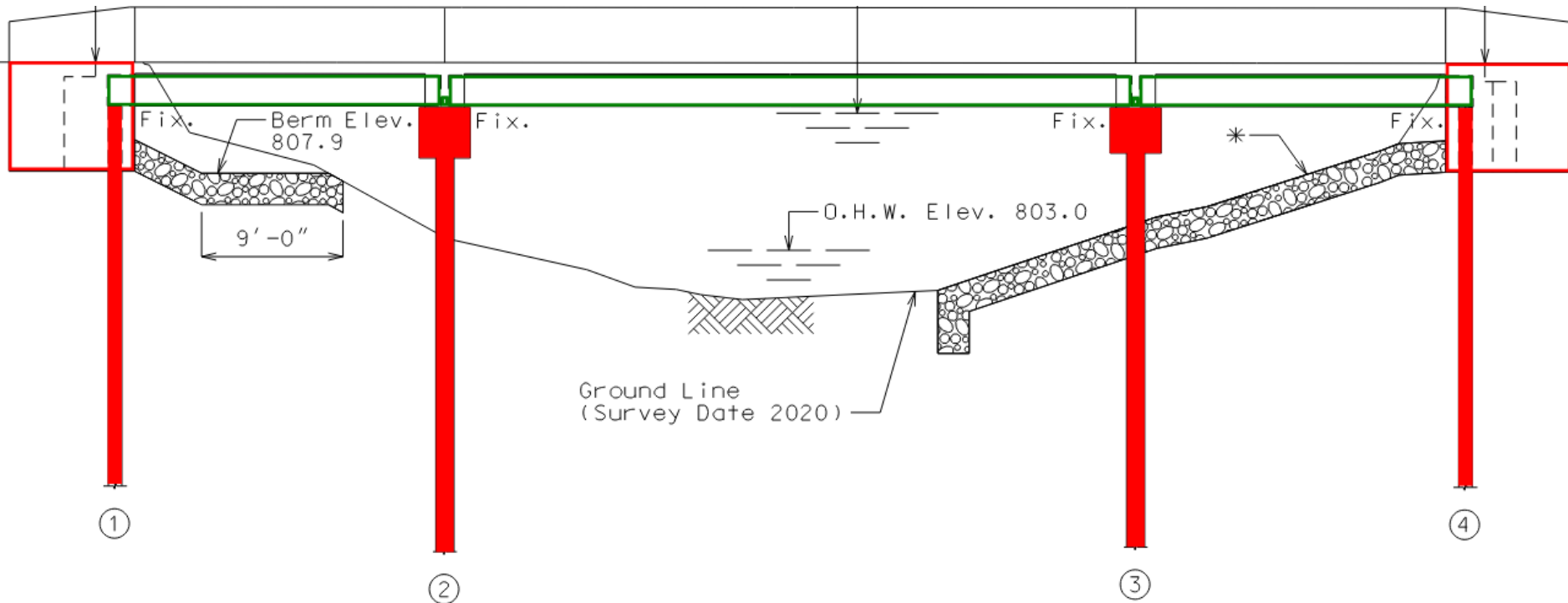
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Week 3 - Place concrete at intermediate bents



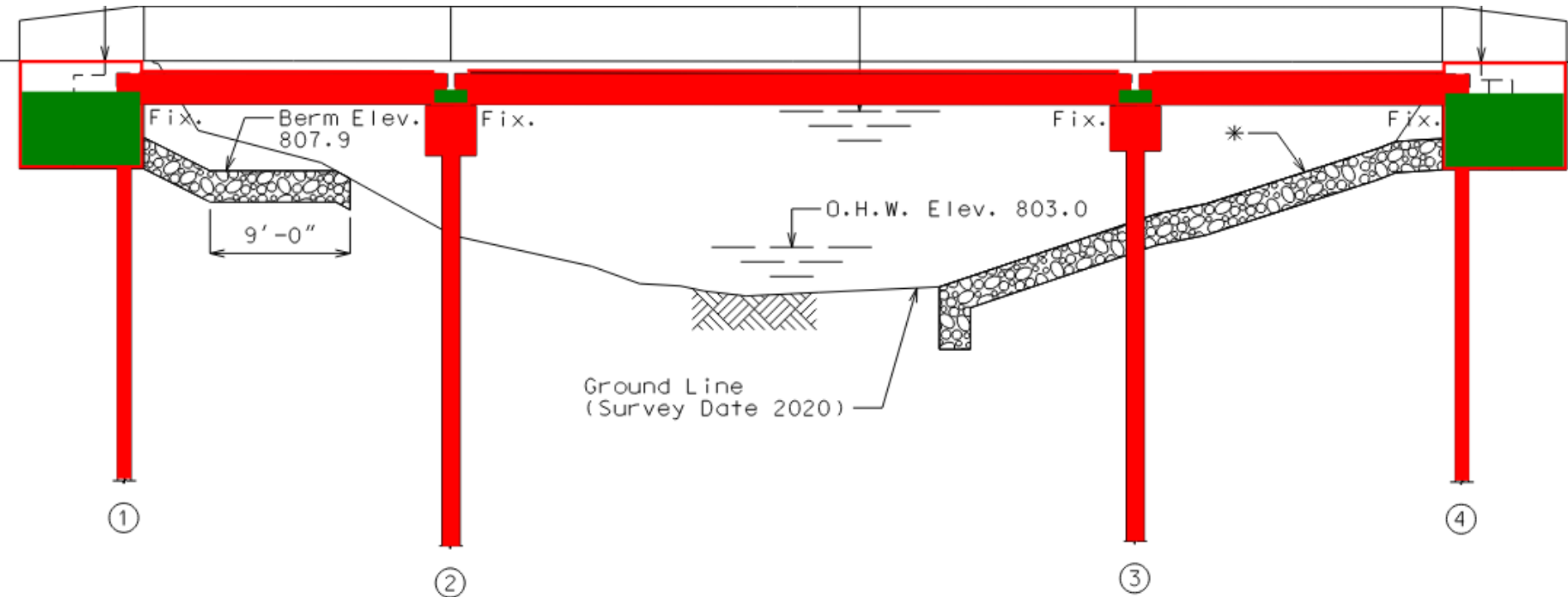
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Week 4 - Place steel rolled beams



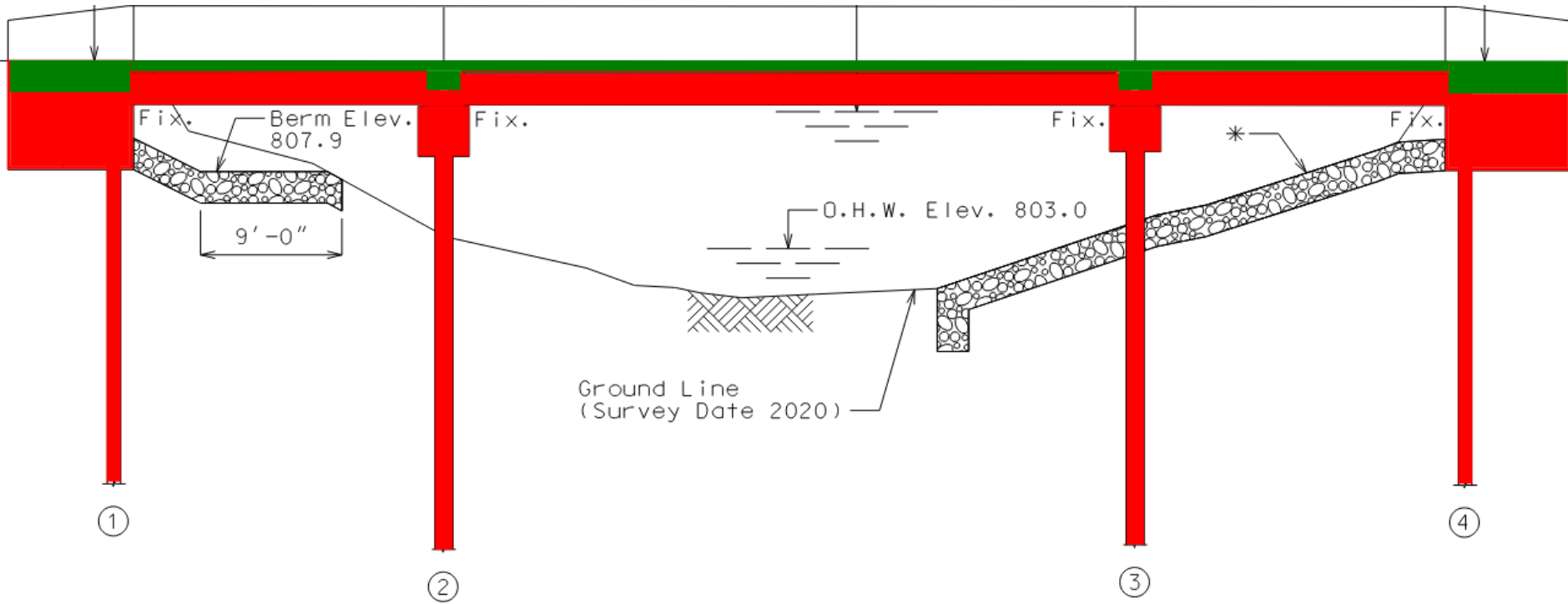
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Week 5 - Place concrete diaphragms at bents



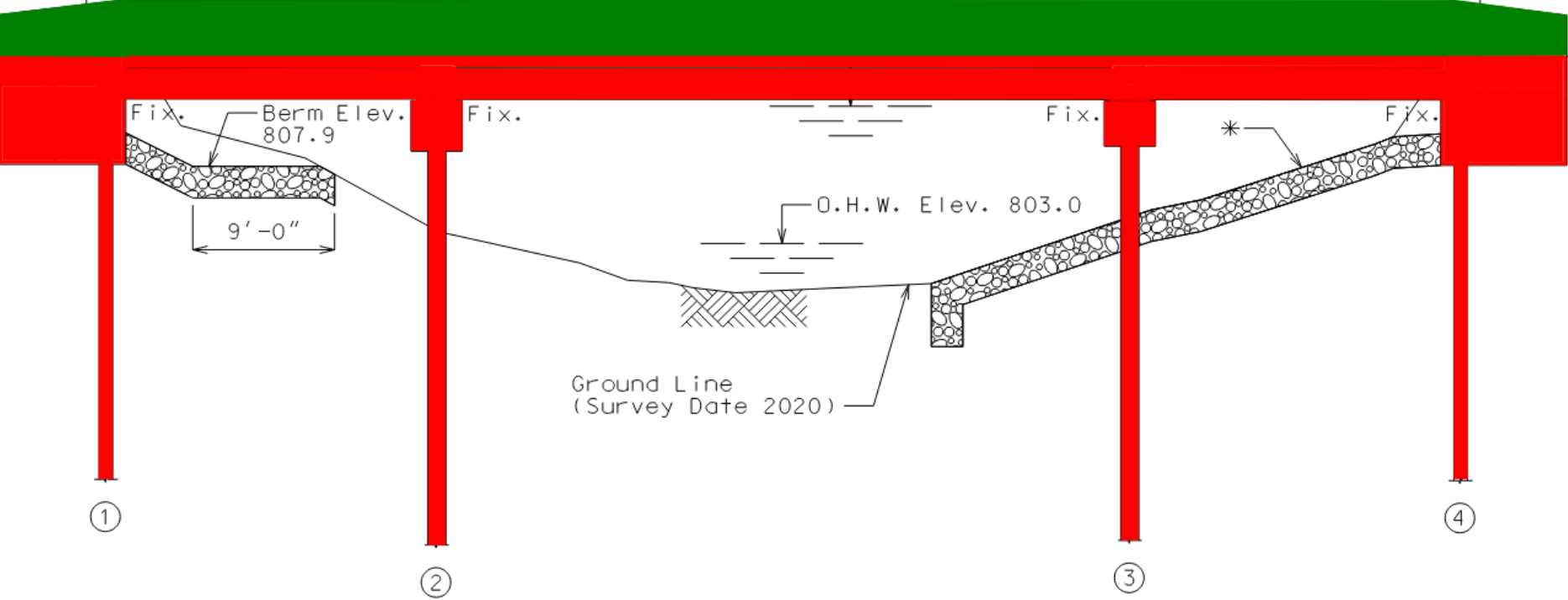
# HOW IS SDCL CONSTRUCTED?

Place concrete slab



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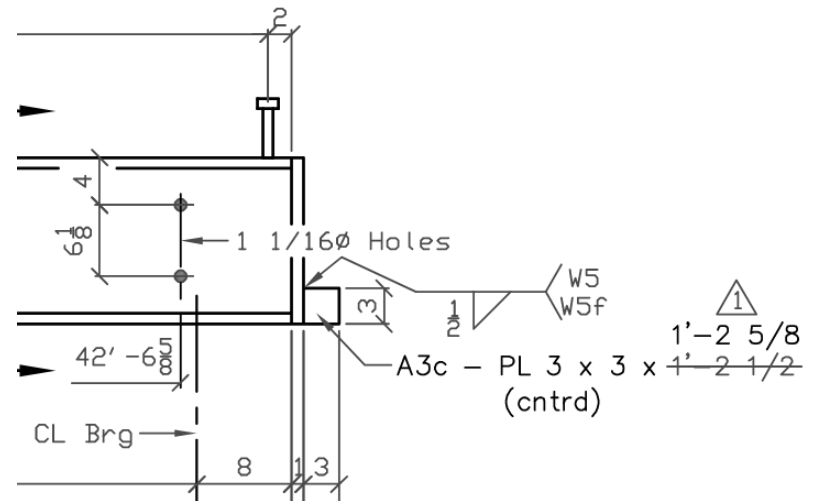
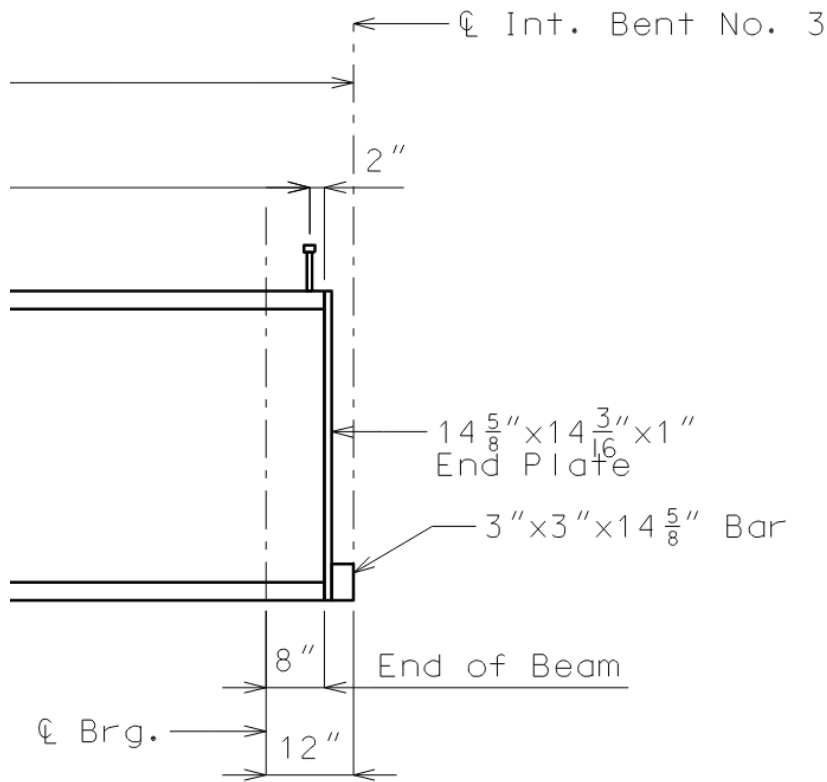
Slip form concrete barrier



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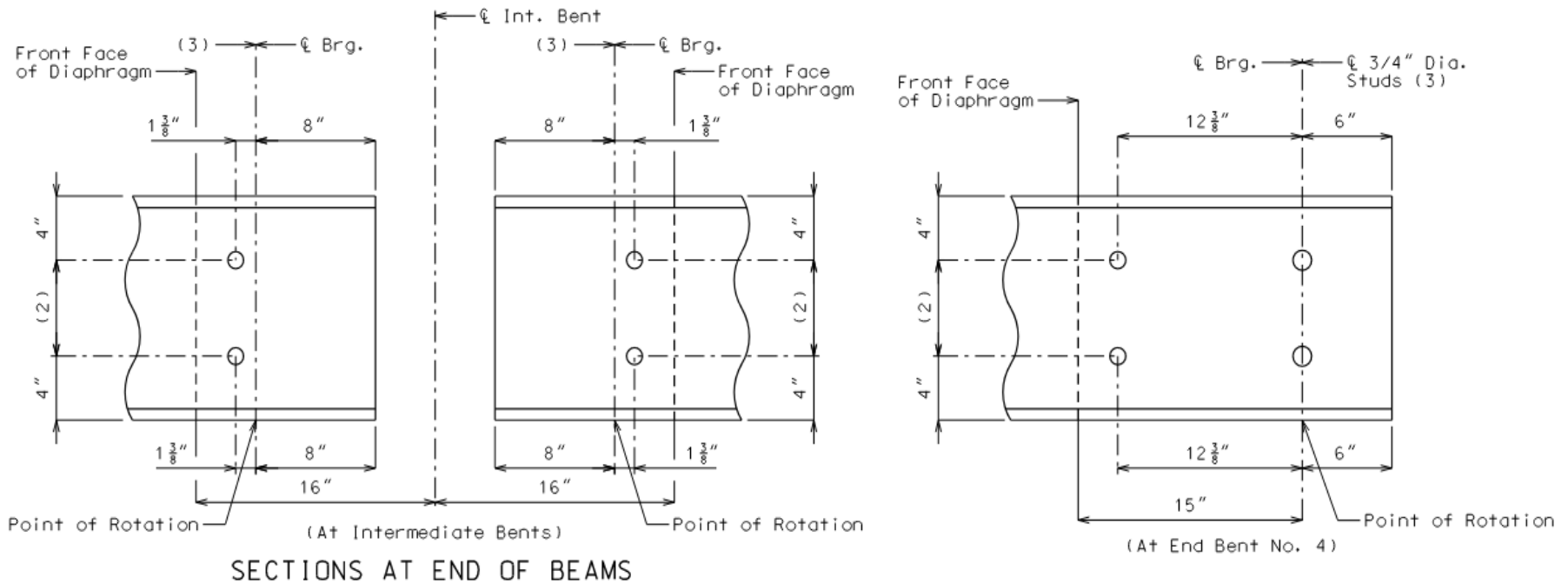
End plates welded to ends of beams

Steel compression block



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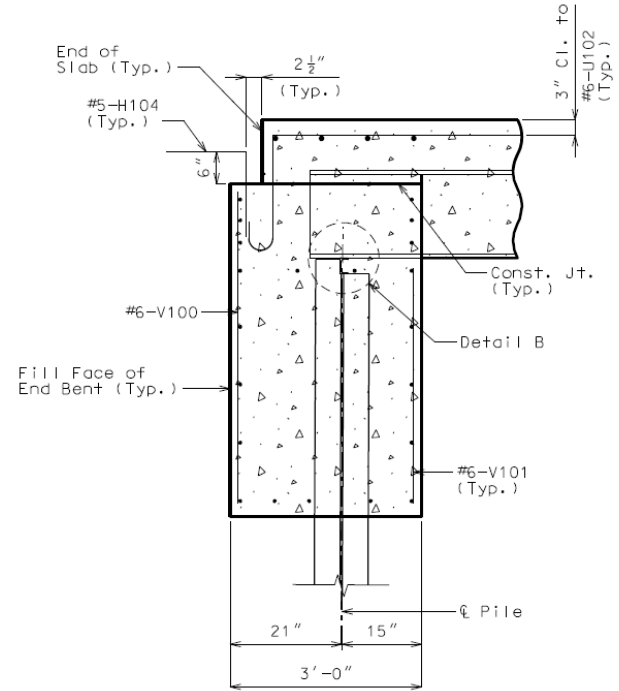
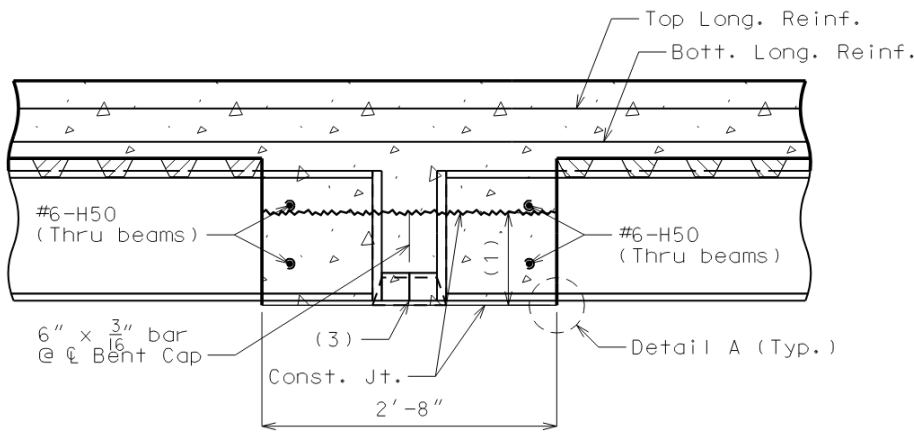
- Holes for reinforcement at interior bents
- Studs at end bents



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Concrete diaphragms cast prior to slab

Negative moment slab reinforcement to provide live load continuity

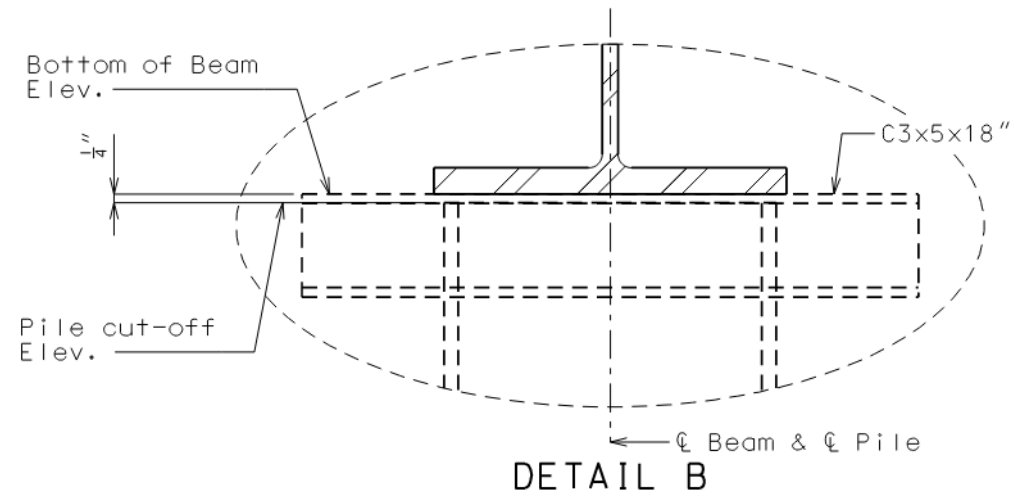
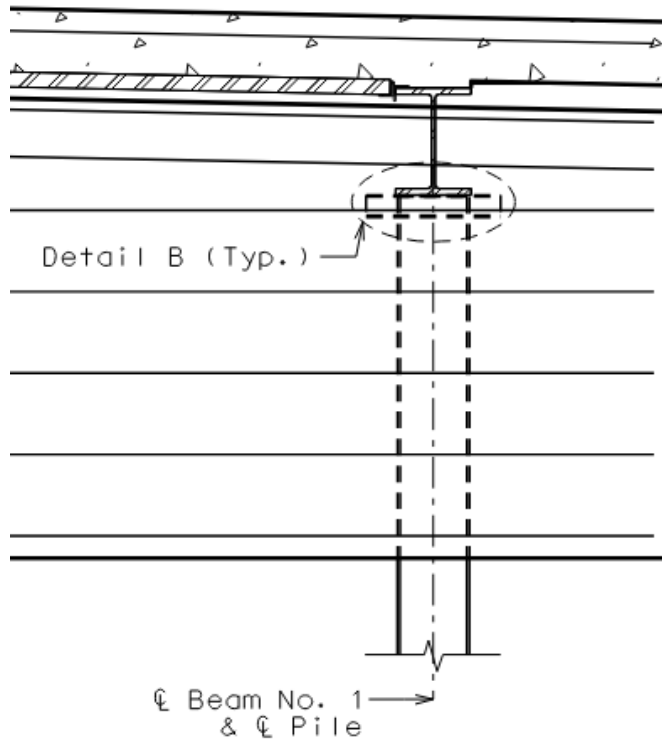


SECTION B-B



# INNOVATION ON FARM

FARM standard end bent detail



# BEAM COATING OPTIONS (PARTNERING)

## Original plan for beam coating

- Weathering steel (when conditions allowed)
- Painted steel

## Covid-19 caused issues with weathering steel and paint availability

- Warehouses had reduced inventory
- Paint availability was a challenge early on

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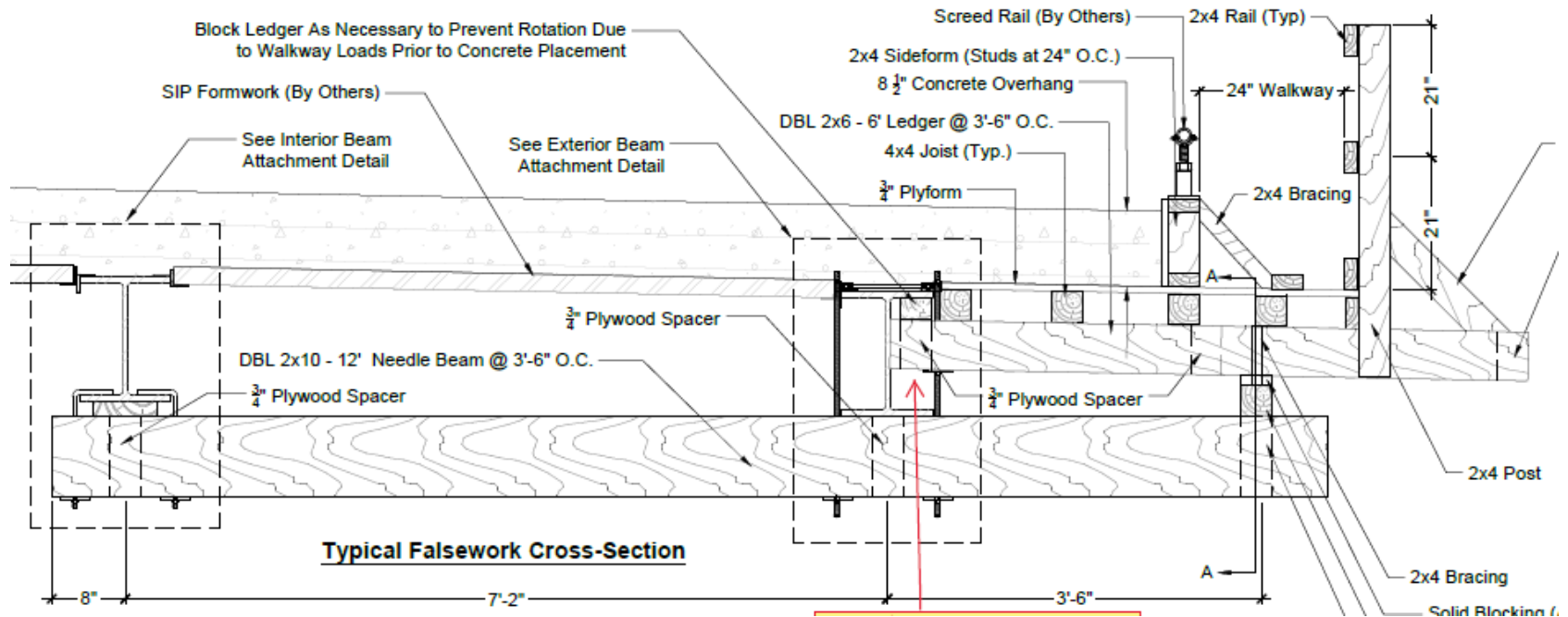
## Equal or Better Change Proposal

- MoDOT expressed interest in galvanized beams
- Smaller beam sizes and shorter spans allowed galvanization to be a competitive option
- Maintenance of galvanized elements in rural environments is over 100 years, well exceeding the design life of these structures
- First maintenance of a painted steel beam is approximately 40 years with a design life of approximately 75 years

# OVERHANG FALSEWORK

Shallow beam depths require alternate overhang construction methods

Needle beam overhang falsework is required for webs shallower than 18 inches



# COLD WEATHER CURING

Portable Hydronic Heat Machine allows work to continue during winter months

Utilize Cellular Con Cure Nodes & Sensors to monitor and control internal concrete temperature

