

Steel Bridge Erection Plan/Procedure: Safety and Performance



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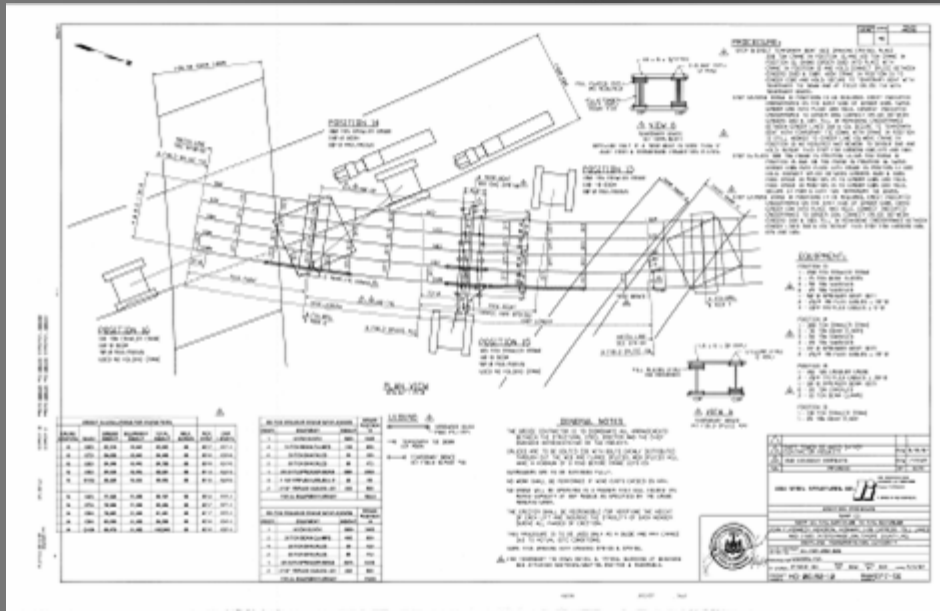
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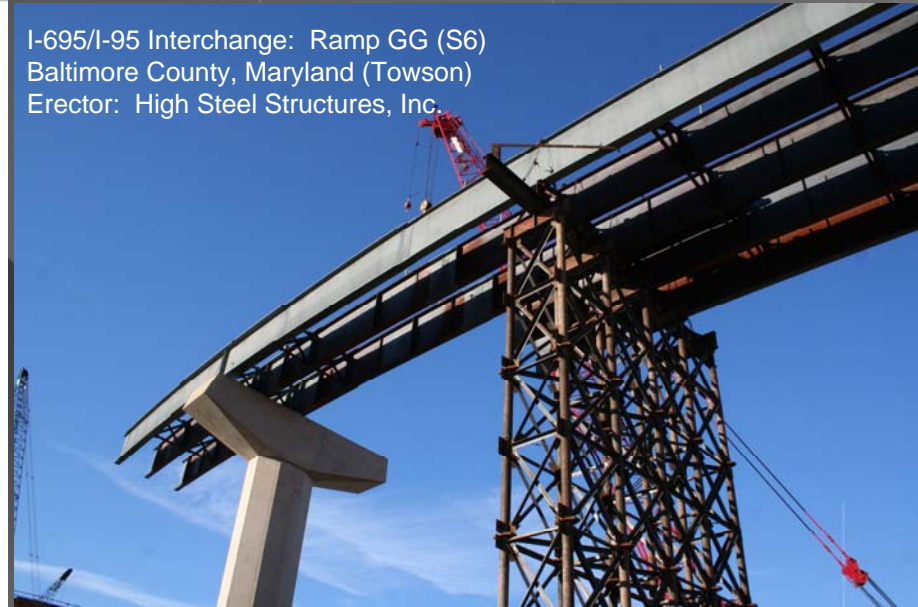
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Erection Plan/Procedure...

WHAT'S IN IT, WHAT DOES IT MEAN?



I-695/I-95 Interchange: Ramp GG (S6)
Baltimore County, Maryland (Towson)
Erector: High Steel Structures, Inc.



NOTE: this presentation illustrates one erector's recent efforts to safely navigate their progress from the ASD/LFD to LRFD bridge environment; no guarantee is made regarding suitability of specific means/methods to particular projects. It is not a substitute for code requirements and engineering prudence.

Introduction

CASE STUDY 1: short-span, LRFD Erection

**SR 2024 over Towanda Creek
Bradford Co. PA**

Erector: High Steel Structures, Inc.



CASE STUDY 2A: long span, crane only (no falsework)

**I-95 SB over I-395NB
Springfield Interchange, VA**

Erector: High Steel Structures, Inc.



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**CASE STUDY 2B: long span,
right-sized falsework**

**S.R. 6026 over S.R. 322
Centre County, PA**

Erector: HSSI/Aycock joint effort

Introduction

CASE STUDY 3: environmentally sensitive area
Shorter span, limited falsework placement

U.S. Rte. 340 over Shenandoah River
Jefferson Co. WV

Erector: High Steel Structures, Inc.

CASE STUDY 4: curved tub girders
Shorter span, limited falsework placement

Washington Metro over I-95 Beltway
St. Georges County, MD

Erector: High Steel Structures, Inc.

Source: <http://static-content.org/bigfoot/photos/at141-harpersferry>



CASE STUDY 5: longer span
Liberal falsework placements

I-695/I-95 Interchange
Baltimore County, Maryland (Towson)

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Erection Plan

The bridge erection plan drawing generally provides the erector with information such as the following:

- ◆ General framing layout
- ◆ Orientation of field section (pieces) with respect to marked end
- ◆ “Estimated weights” for main members
- ◆ Typical field bolted/welded connections w/details not otherwise indicated on the drawings
- ◆ Bearing point elevations (usually to bottom of steel/bearing)
- ◆ List of field bolt hardware and appropriate connection information

For additional information, please refer to:

AASHTO/NSBA Steel Bridge Collaboration G1.3-2002, Shop Detail Drawing Presentation Guidelines, Section 10 (www.steelbridges.org)

Erection Procedure

Provides the erector with a step-by-step direction to safely assemble the bridge. Often accompanied by calculations, technical data (“cut sheets”) & the following:

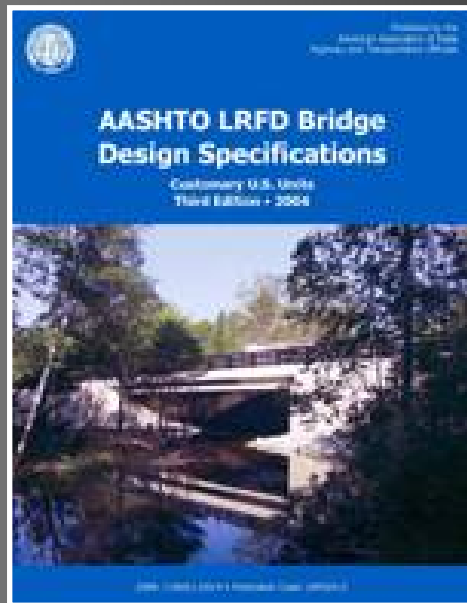
- ◆ Crane model, boom length & radius for indicated lifts
- ◆ Spreader beams, tie-downs, equipment to temporarily stabilize members
- ◆ Lifted section weights (include crossframes if to be lifted w/girders)
- ◆ Center(s) of gravity for complex/asymmetrical lifts
- ◆ Key equipment considerations (e.g., outriggers extended, 360° vs. rear-only lifting, hook block weight, etc)
- ◆ Minimum amount of sequential framing to maintain stable structure
- ◆ Quantity/location of bolts/pins before members are self-supporting
- ◆ Location of shoring towers/holding cranes
- ◆ Windspeed for safe erection of members & partially completed framing
- ◆ Traffic closure duration (location & delivered orientation of members)

For additional information, please refer to:

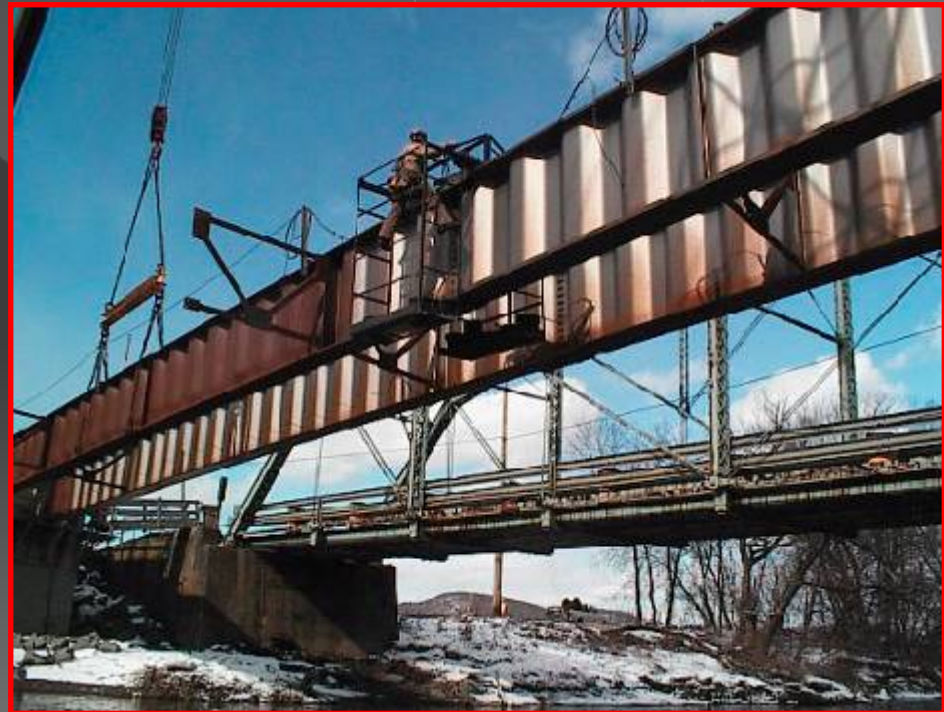
AASHTO/NSBA Steel Bridge Erection Guide Specification S10.1-2007

Case Study 1

(Effective 2007) AASHTO LRFD Now Requires that One Plausible Method of Erection Be Investigated.



AASHTO LRFD 3rd ed. (interim)
Specifications



SR 2024 over Towanda Creek
Bradford Co. PA
Contractor: Susquehanna Valley Construction Corp.
Erector: High Steel Structures, Inc.

Resources used for Case Studies:

- ◆ AASHTO/NSBA Steel Bridge Erection Guide Specification S10.1-2007
- ◆ AASHTO LRFD 2.5.3, Constructibility Considerations
- ◆ AASHTO LRFD 3.4.2, load factor $\gamma_{DC, WS} \geq 1.25$ was used for steel erection
(2008 note: 1.5 may be required; under review by T-14 & market states)
- ◆ When performing ASD (SLD) erection analysis, for wind loadings:
 - ANSI/ASCE 7-95, Minimum Design Loads for Buildings and Other Structures
 - AASHTO Guide Design Specifications for Bridge Temporary Works
 - PADOT BD-620M (25psf, except 30psf over live traffic)
 - HSSI normally uses 25 MPH for picking/same shift erection; 40-50 MPH for overnight, & 25/30 psf (50-65 MPH) for partially erected steel beyond scope of local short-term weather forecast

Disclaimer: the above is what we used during the 2004-2007 period. As AASHTO LRFD becomes standard practice, the erection engineer must apply their own competent judgment for specific application: High Steel Structures, Inc. takes no responsibility for suitability of the above for a particular project.

!!!SPECIFICATIONS UPDATE!!!

2008 SUPPLEMENT (for IBC Bridge Construction Seminar)

This month, AASHTO has put out several pertinent publications including:

- LRFD BRIDGE DESIGN SPECIFICATIONS, 4TH EDITION
- LRFD BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION SPECIFICATIONS, 2ND EDITION
- GUIDE DESIGN SPECIFICATIONS FOR BRIDGE TEMPORARY WORKS, 2008 INTERIM
- CONSTRUCTION HANDBOOK FOR BRIDGE TEMPORARY WORKS, 2008 INTERIM

These documents may very well have new information (not yet included herein) which makes aspects of this presentation obsolete. The engineer is cautioned to become familiarized accordingly with the specifications & handbooks as applicable.

See: http://downloads.transportation.org/aashto_catalog.pdf (AASHTO 5-23-08 e-mail)

Fabricating and Erecting Skewed/curved Structures

◆ FABRICATION:

- Girders profile usually similar to unskewed structures (no-load “laydown” profile)
- Cross-frame (CF) drops detailed to reflect no-load, steel DL or final position (owner preference)
- Additional information may be found at:
 - 1) Symposium Session 2A, Erection of Skewed Bridges
 - 2) <http://www.highsteel.com/contactus/newsroom/freeinfo>
Summer 2007 Newsletter: Skewed Bridge Presentation

◆ ERECTION:

- Girders initially held to approximate no-load profile
- Shop-welded/bolted CFs will normally force the required twist condition
- Crossframe-braced girders released to steel DL state
- Note: if knock-down (field-assembled) CF, must support member **before** it can withstand gravity.

Large/Curved Girder Erection

- ◆ As with fabrication, there are many means and methods:
 - NSBA/AISI/AISC effort: Advanced Erector Certification Program
 - Again, AASHTO/NSBA S10.1, Steel Bridge Erection Guide Specification
- ◆ States divided between two camps:
 1. Those who want engineered erection procedures (Complexity-based)
 2. Those who do not want the exposure of formal procedure/ calcs review.



I-95 SB Ramp over I-95/I-395/I-495
Fairfax County, VA
Fabricator, Erector: High Steel Structures Inc.



WMATA Blue Line over I-95
Prince George's County, MD
Fabricator, Erector: High Steel Structures Inc.

Case Study 2A

Erecting girders without shoring

IF JOBSITE CONDITIONS LIMIT EFFECTIVE TOWER PLACEMENTS,
SPREADER BEAMS CAN STABILIZE THE GIRDERS...



- 250 ft spans
- R = 1000 ft (min)



GIRDERS MAY BE SPLICED
ON THE GROUND, THEN
PICKED AS A UNIT. Example:

- L=300 ft
- Weight =115 Tons



...TWO CRANE PICKS MAY BE
NECESSARY TO LIFT VERY
LONG FIELD SECTIONS.

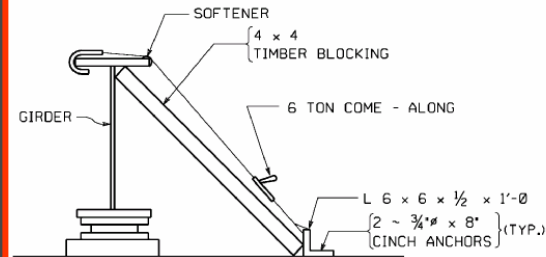




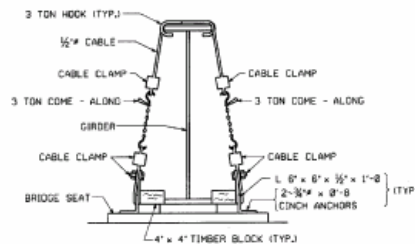
Sequential erection steps

TIE-DOWNS INITIALLY SECURE THE GIRDERS.

AS STABLE GIRDER PAIR IS LANDED, HOLDING CRANAGE IS FREED UP, TO EXPEDITE CROSSFRAME ERECTION.



TEMPORARY TIE DOWN



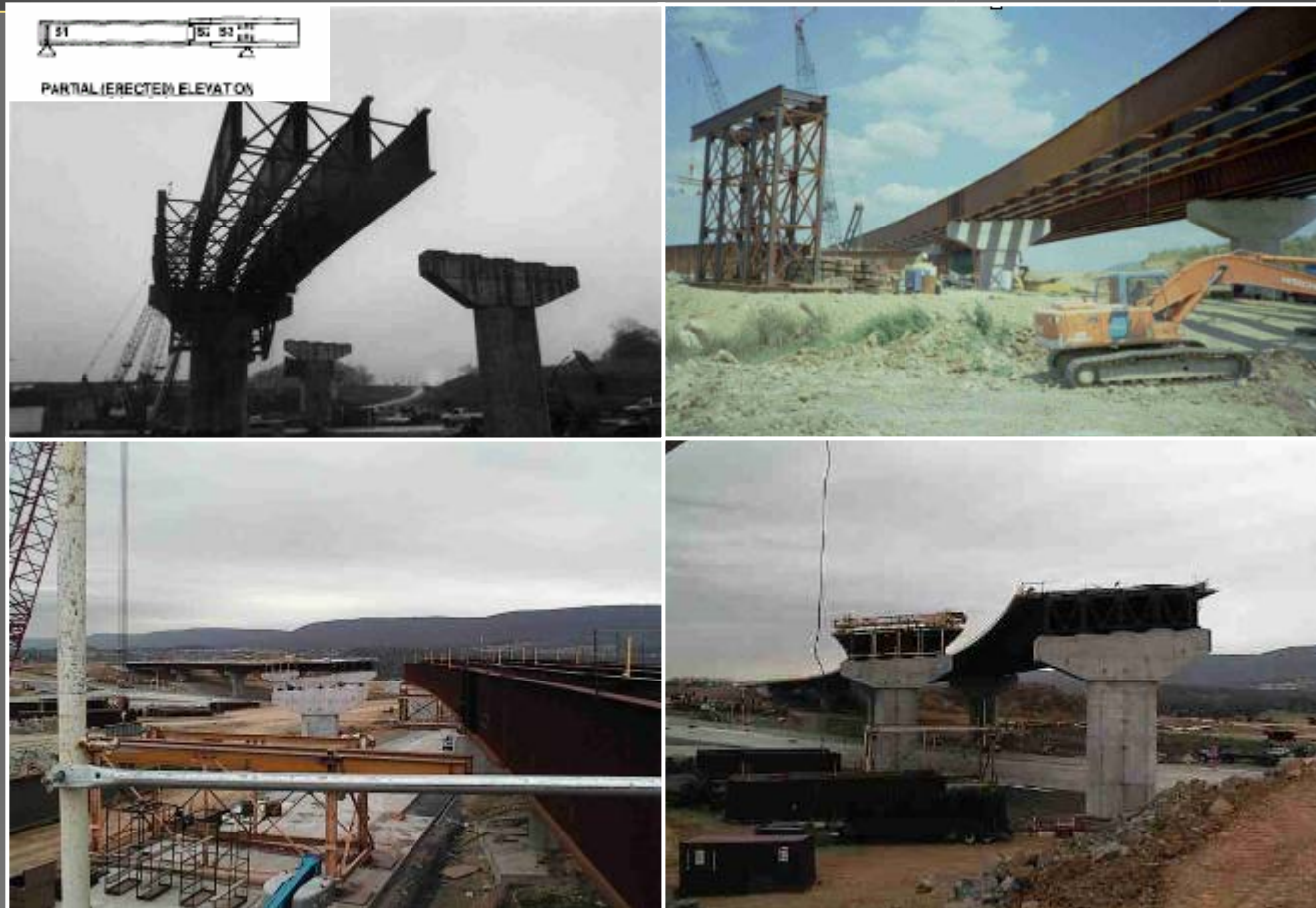
TEMP. TIE DOWN

NOTES:
 FOR GENERAL NOTES, SEE DRAWING EP28L.
 WORK THIS DRAWING WITH DRAWINGS EP28L, EP282 AND EP283.



Case Study 2B

Right-sized, adjustable shoring towers can facilitate alignment control as erection progresses.



As abandoned:
 $L_{OH} = 100 \text{ ft} \pm$
 $\Delta_x = 1 \text{ FT}$
 $\Delta_y = 1 \text{ FT}$
Stability = 60mph \pm

At completion:
Length: 1,000 ft
Three Span
(300ft – 330 ft –
270 ft) continuous
unit

Radius: 1,900 ft
Depth: 10'-9"
Spacing: 9'-9"

Erected by High
Steel Structures,
Inc. & Aycocock, Inc.

S.R. 6026 OVER S.R. 322 CENTRE COUNTY, PA (then-longest, curved steel girder span in PA)

What one wants to avoid.

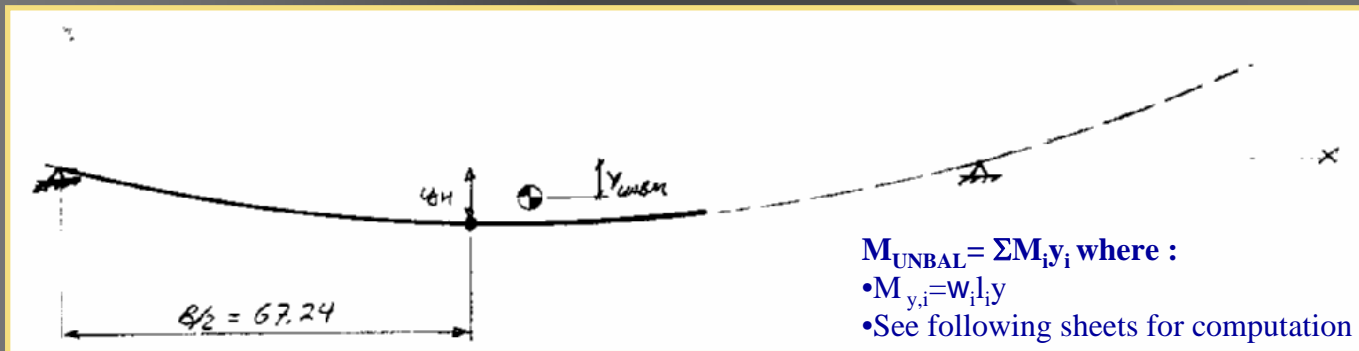


Critical stages and load combinations (e.g., D+W (temporary) may not always be immediately apparent, even when the structure is designed with lateral bracing.

In addition to conventional LTB AASHTO Standard Specifications for Highway Bridges, 17th Edition, Table 10.32.1A :

$$F_{b,c} = \frac{(50 \times 10^3 C_b I_{yc})}{S_{xc} I_u} \sqrt{0.772 J I_{yc} + 9.87 (d/t)^2} \leq 0.55 F_y = \boxed{} \text{ ksi}$$

- for curved girders, lateral torsional effect is amplified and may be approximated as shown
- for simple and practical guidance, refer to PennDOT website BD 620M



Example: Quantifying Lateral Imbalance During Girder Erection

LATERAL STABILITY BRACING
DESIGN CRITERIA FOR GIRDER BRIDGES
PRIOR TO DECK COMPLETION:

THE CRITERION IN THIS STANDARD APPLIES ONLY TO COMPLETELY ERECTED STEEL SUPERSTRUCTURE, WITHOUT THE DECK. THE STABILITY OF PARTIAL AND COMPLETED GIRDERS IN THE VARIOUS STAGES OF ERECTION PRIOR TO INSTALLATION OF ALL GIRDERS AND DIAPHRAGMS IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE CONTRACTOR AS SPECIFIED IN PUBLICATION 408 SECTION 1050.31(g). (APPLIES TO TANGENT, SKEWED AND CURVED BRIDGES. APPLIES TO SINGLE AND MULTI-SPAN BRIDGES.)

1. PROVIDE LATERAL BRACING FOR BRIDGES WITH SPANS IN EXCESS OF 91 440 (300 FT) TO AID IN CONSTRUCTION OF THE BRIDGE. DESIGN BRACING FOR THE SPECIFIED WIND LOADS.
2. EVALUATE THE NEED FOR LATERAL BRACING FOR SPANS IN EXCESS OF 61 000 (200 FT) BASED ON LATERAL DEFLECTION.
3. GIRDERS SHALL BE DESIGNED SO THAT NO LATERAL BRACING IS NECESSARY FOR GIRDER SPANS LESS THAN 61 000 (200 FEET). GIRDER SPACING LESS THAN 4300 (14 FEET) AND A BRIDGE CROSS SECTION WITH 4 OR MORE GIRDERS. THE ENGINEER WILL EVALUATE THE DEAD LOAD PLUS WIND CONDITION WITH AN UNBRACED TOP FLANGE, AND IF NECESSARY, MODIFY THE GIRDER DESIGN.
4. EVALUATE LATERAL DEFLECTION OF STEEL SUPERSTRUCTURE FOR A PERMISSIBLE DEFLECTION OF L/150. PROVIDE BRACING IF DEFLECTION LIMIT IS EXCEEDED. AN ACCEPTABLE ANALYSIS METHOD IS A HAND CALCULATION FOR A SINGLE FASCIA GIRDER (NON COMPOSITE) OR A GRID ANALYSIS FOR THE ENTIRE STEEL SUPERSTRUCTURE FRAMING. THE DIAPHRAGM ACTION OF THE STAY-IN-PLACE FORMS SHALL BE NEGLECTED. FINALLY, IF A GRID ANALYSIS IS USED, THE DIAPHRAGM/GIRDER CONNECTION SHALL BE MODELED AS A PIN IN THE PLANE OF THE GRID. IT IS CONSERVATIVE TO ASSUME PINNED DIAPHRAGM TO GIRDER CONNECTIONS. A MORE RIGOROUS ANALYSIS MODELING PARTIAL FIXITY AT THE CONNECTIONS CONSISTENT WITH THE CONNECTION DETAILING IS ACCEPTABLE.
5. EVALUATE GIRDER STRESSES FOR COMBINED STEEL SUPERSTRUCTURE DEAD LOADS AND WIND LOADS USING THE SERVICE LOAD METHOD, GROUP II LOAD COMBINATION WITH THE APPROPRIATE ALLOWABLE OVERSTRESS AS DESCRIBED IN AASHTO'S STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS FOR HIGHWAY BRIDGES.
6. MINIMUM DESIGN WIND PRESSURE - 1.2 kPa(25 PSF), EXCEPT FOR BRIDGES OVER TRAFFIC, USE 1.4 kPa(30 PSF).
7. WIND LOAD PER FOOT OF BRIDGE IS (GIRDER DEPTH + DECK THICKNESS AT FASCIA GIRDER) X DESIGN WIND PRESSURE. ONLY THE FASCIA GIRDER WILL BE LOADED FOR GIRDER SPACING UP TO 4300 (14 FEET). THIS ASSUMES THAT THE OTHER GIRDERS ARE SHIELDED FROM THE WIND FOR A TYPICAL BRIDGE.
8. FOR GIRDER SPACING GREATER THAN 4300 (14 FEET), USE THE LOADS DESCRIBED IN 6 ON THE WINDWARD GIRDER AND A LOAD OF 50 PERCENT OF THAT CALCULATED FOR THE WINDWARD GIRDER ON THE LEENWARD (OTHER FASCIA) GIRDER. APPLY THE LOADS IN THE SAME DIRECTION.

9. DESIGN BRACING FOR SERVICE CONDITION COMBINATION OF BRACING DEAD SELF-WEIGHT LOAD PLUS WIND LOAD WITH 133% INCREASE IN BASIC ALLOWABLE STRESS AS DISCUSSED IN AASHTO'S GUIDE DESIGN SPECIFICATION FOR BRIDGE TEMPORARY WORKS (1995). USE OVERSIZED OR SLOTTED HOLES IN THE GUSSET PLATES.
10. DESIGN BOLTED CONNECTION OF THE BRACING TO GIRDER TO PREVENT SLIP FROM WIND FORCES WITH THE PERMISSIBLE INCREASE IN ALLOWABLE SLIP FORCE. DESIGN CONNECTIONS FOR ACTUAL FORCES. PROVIDE OVERSIZED OR SLOTTED HOLES AND DESIGN THE CONNECTION FOR WIND FORCES ONLY.
11. USE PERMANENT BRACING ARRANGEMENT; CABLE BRACING IS NOT CONSIDERED PERMANENT. PROVIDE SAME CORROSION PROTECTION USED IN THE AS-DESIGNED STRUCTURAL STEEL.
12. GIRDER SECTION CHECKS FOR THE PERMANENT CONDITION ARE BEYOND THE SCOPE OF THESE CRITERIA. THE CRITERIA FOR THESE CHECKS ARE SPECIFIED IN AASHTO AND DESIGN MANUAL PART 4 WITH METHODOLOGY SHOWN IN THE AISC STEEL BRIDGE DESIGN HANDBOOKS.

LATERAL STABILITY BRACING
DESIGN CRITERIA FOR GIRDER BRIDGES
PRIOR TO DECK COMPLETION REFERENCES :

- R1. EXPERIENCE INDICATES THAT SPANS IN EXCESS OF 91 440 (300 FT) GENERALLY HAVE WIND ISSUES DURING CONSTRUCTION.
- R2. EXPERIENCE INDICATES THAT WIND MAY AFFECT THE STEEL SUPERSTRUCTURE IN A MANNER THAT WOULD REQUIRE WIND BRACING FOR SPANS FROM 61 000 TO 91 440 (200 TO 300 FT).
- R3. EXPERIENCE OF THE APC BRIDGE COMMITTEE, STEEL SUPERSTRUCTURE STABILITY SUBCOMMITTEE INDICATES THAT SPANS LESS THAN 61 000 (200 FT) HAVE NOT HAD WIND ISSUES DURING CONSTRUCTION.
- R4. L/150 IN 91 440 (300 FT) IS 610 (2 FT). THIS WAS FELT TO BE ACCEPTABLE TO BOTH DESIGN PERSONNEL AND CONTRACTORS.
- R5. AASHTO STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS FOR HIGHWAY BRIDGES
- R6. AASHTO GUIDE DESIGN SPECIFICATION FOR BRIDGE TEMPORARY WORKS, 112RD, (70 MPH WIND SPEED, 50-YEAR RECURRENCE.
- R7. PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE
- R8. PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE
- R9. AASHTO GUIDE DESIGN SPECIFICATION FOR BRIDGE TEMPORARY WORKS TABLE 2.3, "LOAD COMBINATIONS", GROUP III.
- R10. PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE
- R11. CONTRACTOR PREFERENCE
- R12. DESIGN SPECIFICATION FOR THE PERMANENT CONDITION.

NOTE: EITHER ALL METRIC OR ALL ENGLISH VALUES MUST BE USED ON PLANS. METRIC AND ENGLISH VALUES SHOWN MAY NOT BE MIXED.

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
BUREAU OF DESIGN

STANDARD
STEEL GIRDER BRIDGES
LATERAL BRACING CRITERIA
AND DETAILS

BC-732M	PERMANENT METAL DECK FORMS
BC-733M	STEEL GIRDER DETAILS
BC-754M	STEEL DIAPHRAGMS
REFERENCE DRAWINGS	

RECOMMENDED APR. 15, 2004

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ADDITIONAL LATERAL STABILITY CRITERIA FOR CURVED STEEL GIRDER BRIDGES

1. THE DESIGN ENGINEER SHALL CHECK CURVED STEEL GIRDER BRIDGES FOR THE FOLLOWING LOADING CONDITIONS:

- A) WIND LOADING ON THE STEEL SUPERSTRUCTURE PRIOR TO DECK PLACEMENT - THE PROCEDURE SHALL FOLLOW THAT USED FOR THE STRAIGHT, UNSKEWED BRIDGE. THE LOADED AREA IS THE SURFACE AREA OF THE LONGEST GIRDER. ALLOWABLE HORIZONTAL DEFLECTIONS SHALL BE BASED ON CRITERIA FOR STRAIGHT UNSKEWED GIRDERS AND BRIDGES PRIOR TO DECK PLACEMENT.
- B) PARTIAL WIDTH LOADING UNDER STAGED CONSTRUCTION FOR FUTURE DECK REPLACEMENT AS DIRECTED BY THE DEPARTMENT.
- C) VERTICAL AND LATERAL DEFLECTIONS SHALL ALSO BE EVALUATED FOR STEEL SELF-WEIGHT AND THE DECK DEAD LOAD.

2. BEARINGS SHALL BE DESIGNED TO ACCOMMODATE GIRDER ROTATION DURING THE DECK POUR BOTH IN AND OUT OF THE GIRDER PLANE. GIRDERS AND THEIR BEARING STIFFENERS SHALL BE VERTICAL AT THE BEARINGS UNDER FULL DEAD LOAD. UPLIFT SHALL BE EVALUATED AT EACH BEARING FOR WORST LOADING CONDITION IN EACH CONSTRUCTION PHASE.

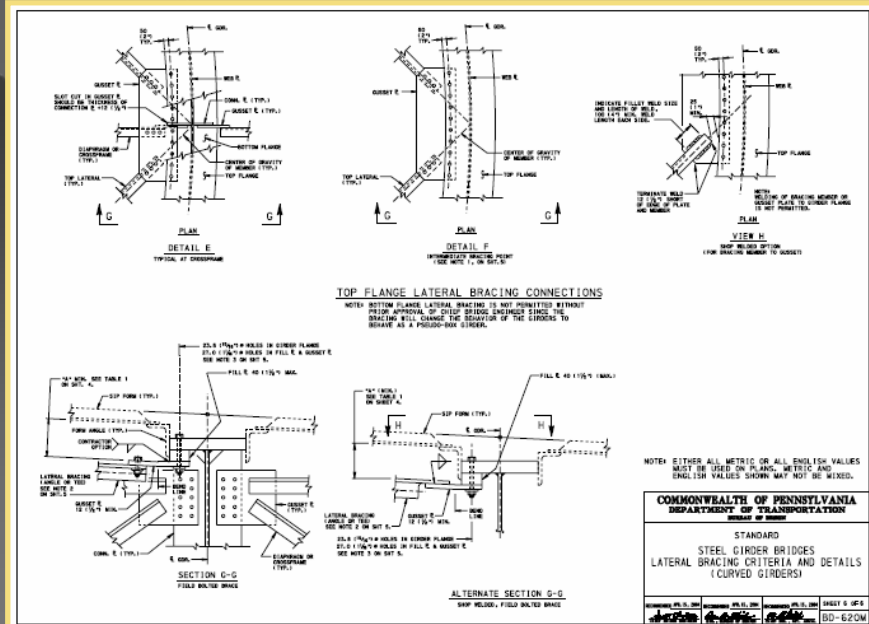
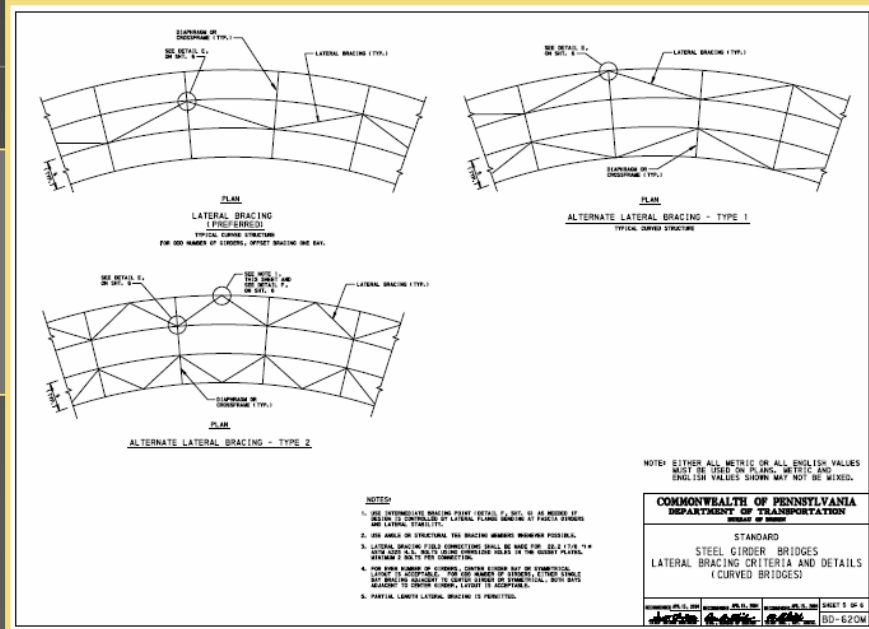
3. INCLUDE LATERAL WIND BRACING IN THE DESIGN OF GIRDERS THAT DO NOT MEET THE CRITERIA AS SHOWN ON SHEET 1. DESIGN LATERAL BRACING TO CARRY WIND LOADS ONLY AND DETAIL THE BRACING SO THAT IT WILL NOT PARTICIPATE IN CARRYING PRIMARY STRUCTURE FORCES.

4. THE ENGINEER SHALL IDENTIFY THE NEED FOR AND LOCATION OF FALSEWORK AND PROVIDE INFORMATION AS PER DM4 D2.5.3 1P; HOWEVER, THE DESIGN AND FOUNDATION OF THE FALSEWORK IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE CONTRACTOR.

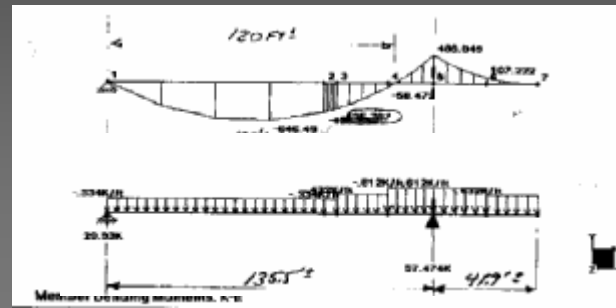
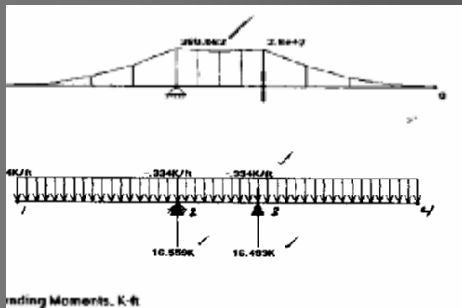
5. DESIGN LATERAL BRACING FOR WIND LOADS. DESIGN AND DETAIL THE LATERAL BRACING SO THAT TORSIONAL FORCES FROM DEAD LOADS AND LIVE LOADS ON THE GIRDER ARE NOT RESISTED BY THE LATERAL BRACING.

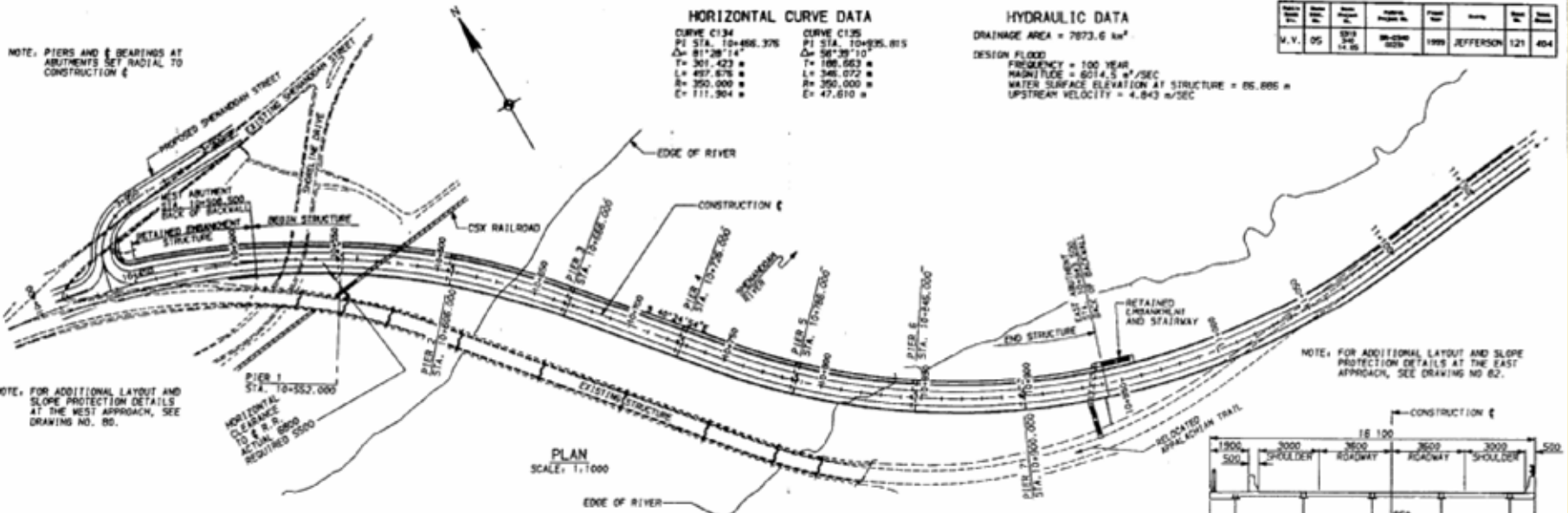


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Case Study 3: Harpers Ferry Bridge B4144





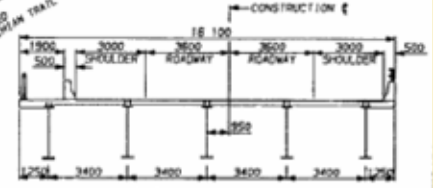
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NOTE: PIERS AND BEARINGS AT ABUTMENTS SET RADIAL TO CONSTRUCTION

NOTE: FOR ADDITIONAL LAYOUT AND SLOPE PROTECTION DETAILS AT THE WEST APPROACH, SEE DRAWING NO. 85.

NOTE: FOR ADDITIONAL LAYOUT AND SLOPE PROTECTION DETAILS AT THE EAST APPROACH, SEE DRAWING NO. 82.

NOTE: FOR BORING LOCATIONS, SEE DRAWING NO. 90.



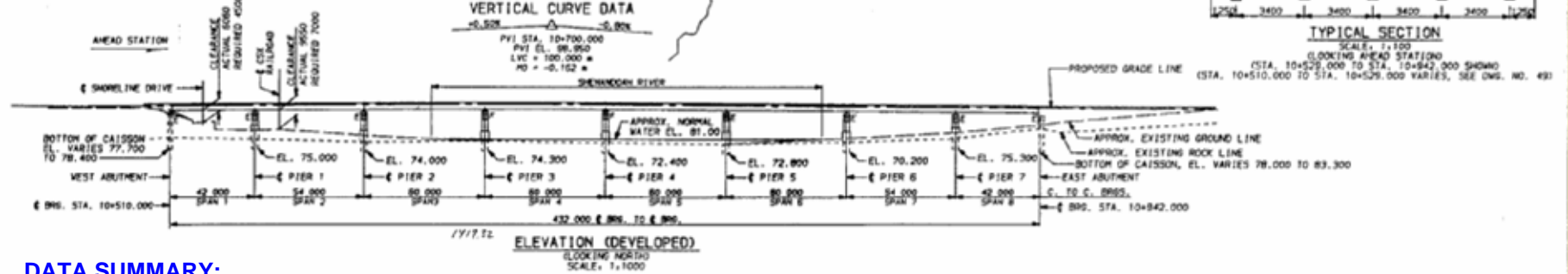
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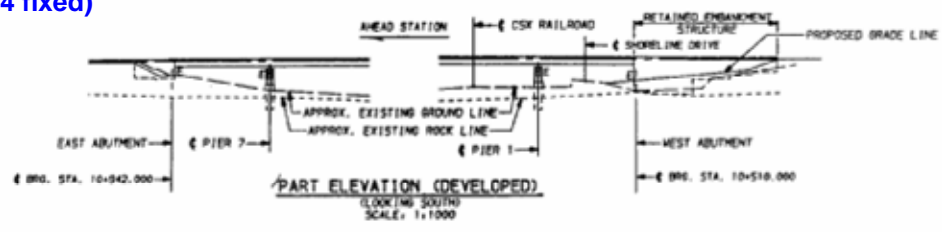
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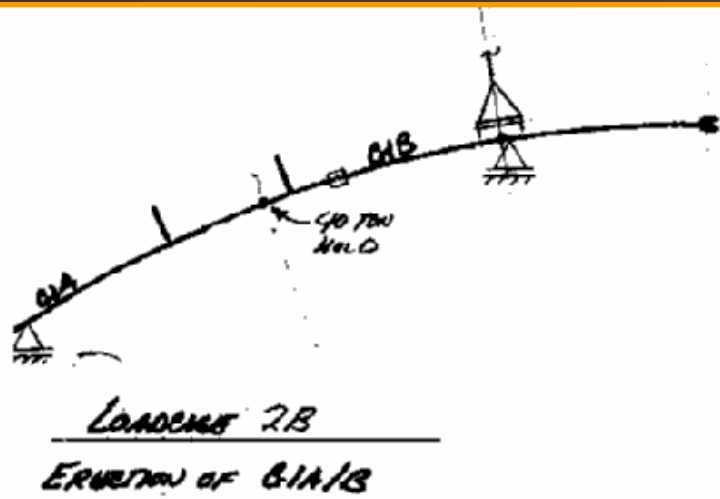


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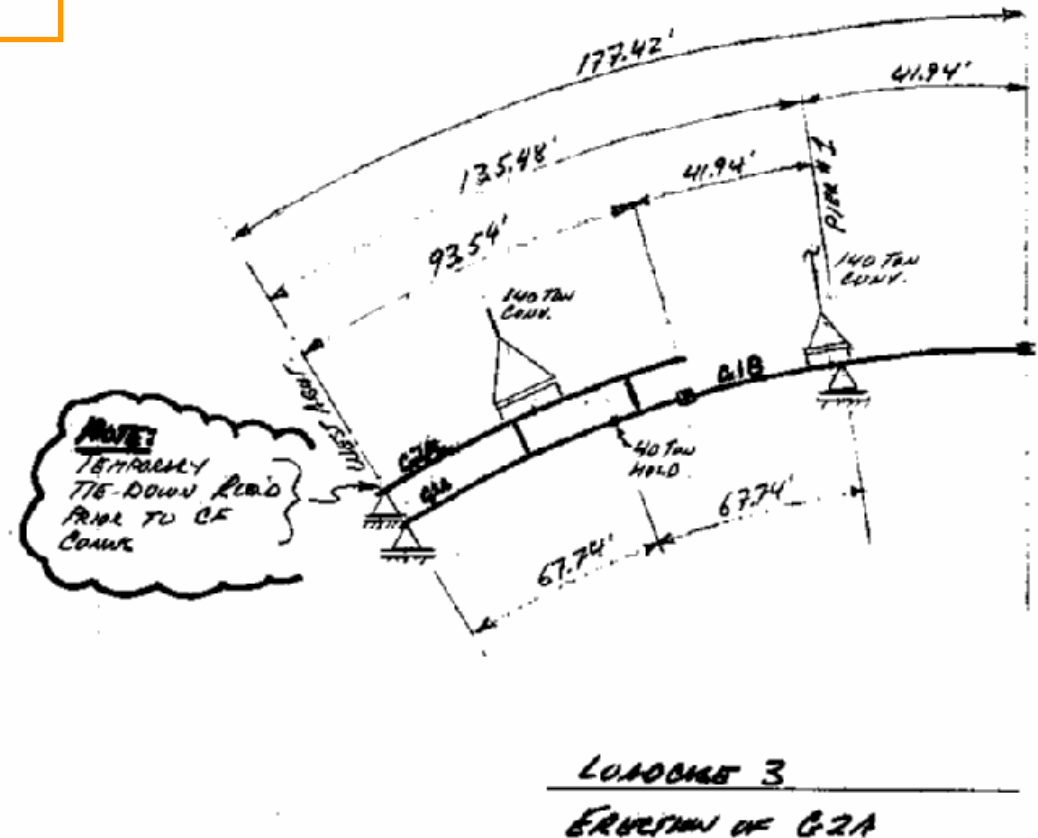


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U.S. ROUTE 340		
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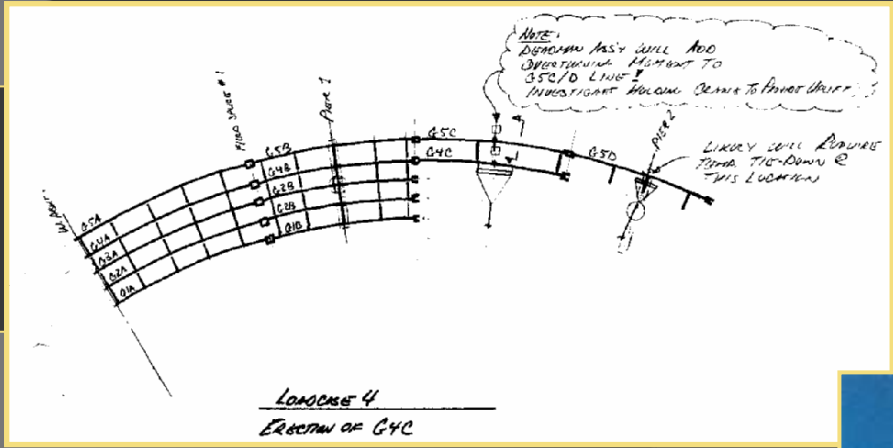
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An erection stability analysis is often necessary during steel multi-girder bridge erection.



- For curved, multi-span structures over variable terrain, this often warrants a visual layout based upon feasible crane placements.
- The following must be checked:
 - D+W (temp: pick, initial, partial erection)
 - Curvature amplification (M_2) as applicable
 - Unusual (unique) component loads
 - $f_{bx}/F_{bx} + f_{by}/F_{by} < 1$ (poss. 1.25, ASD)
 - Cranage & rigging loads
 - Splice & CF connections <50% (time window)
 - Often, global as well as local stability.
 - Shoring, tie-down reactions (vert/lat/longit.)
 - (if applicable) grade/superelev/thermal effects.



Additional crucial stages may also occur even after the initial spans have been set.

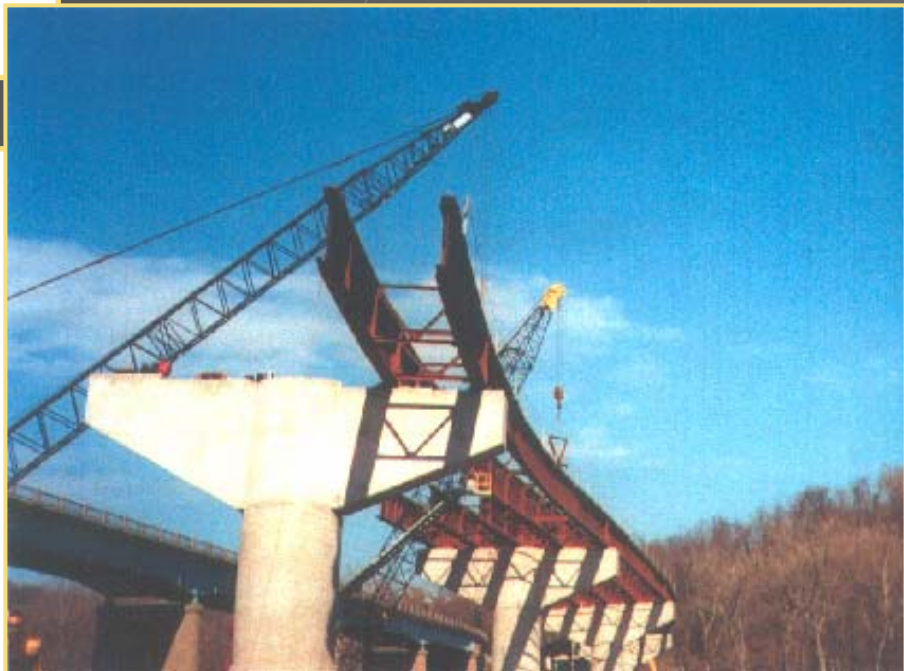
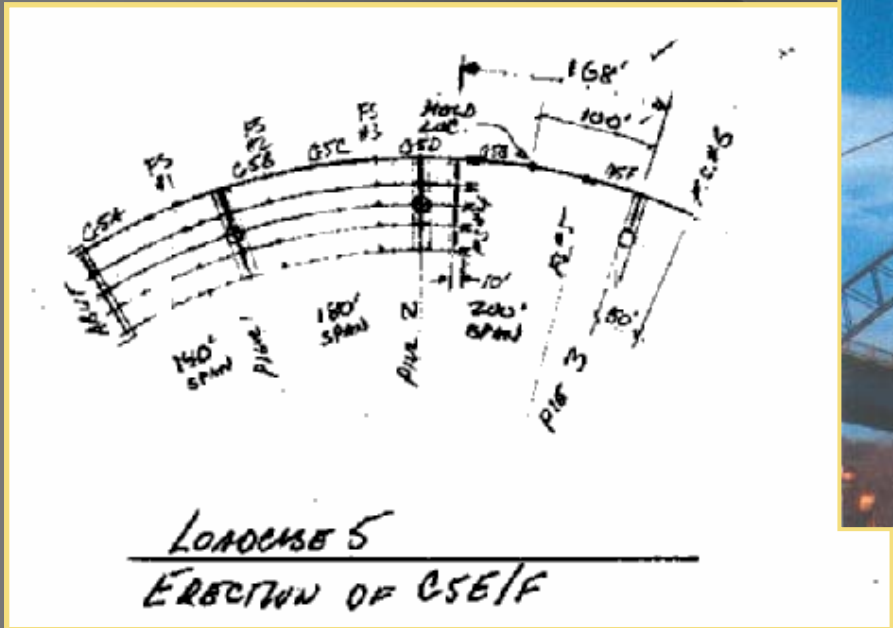
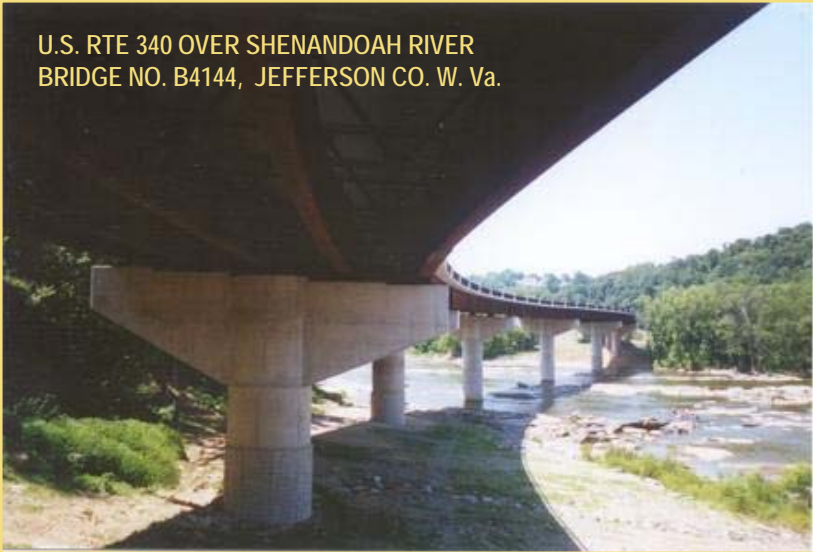
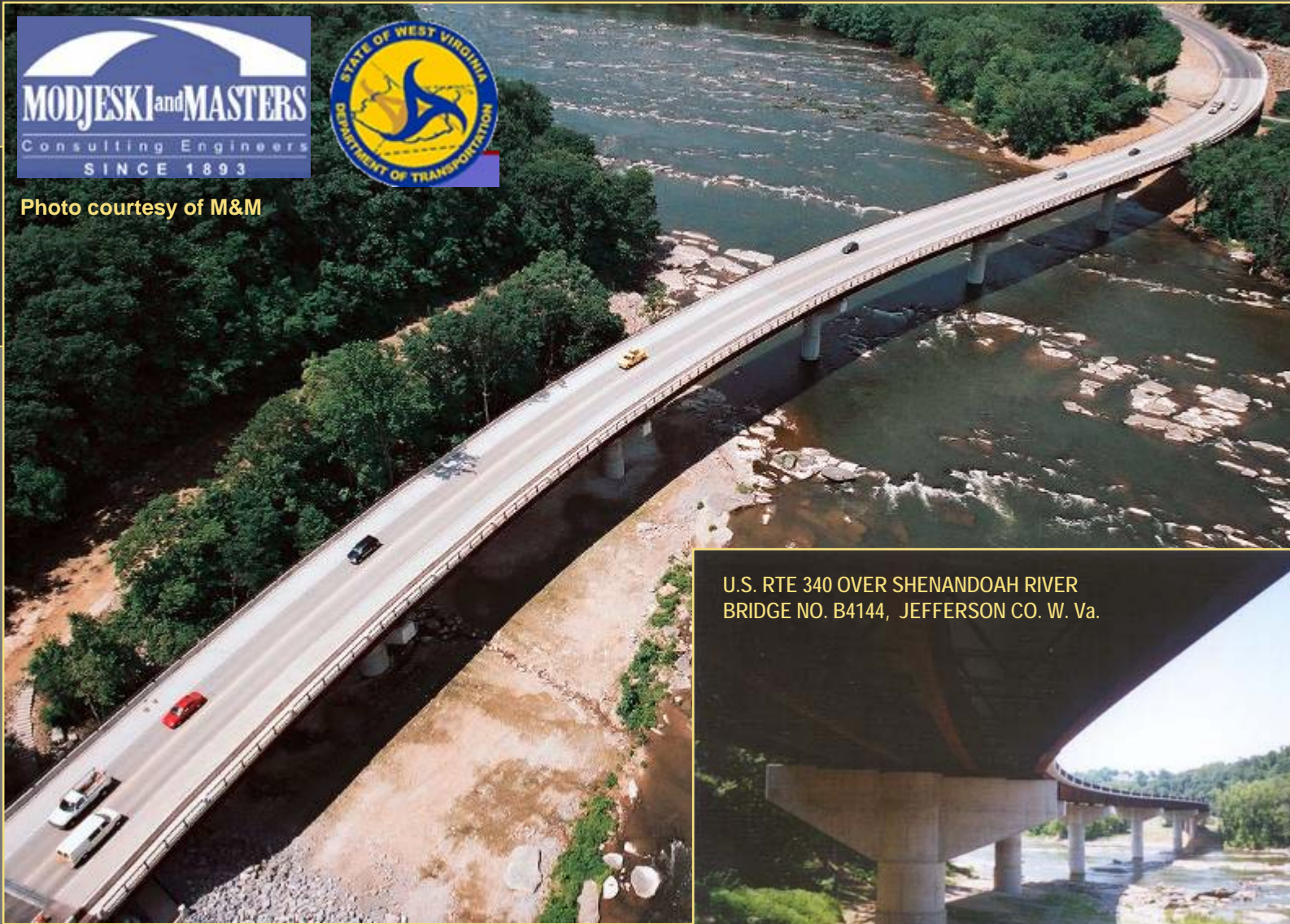




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U.S. RTE 340 OVER SHENANDOAH RIVER
BRIDGE NO. B4144, JEFFERSON CO. W. Va.

Source: http://static-content.org/bigfoot/photos/at141-harpersferry_bridge



With careful planning, a beautifully crafted project is completed well.

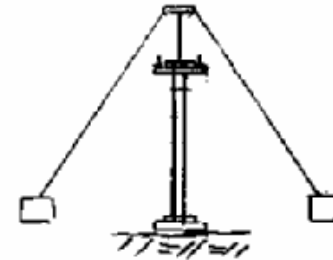
Harpers Ferry Bridge Utilized a Combination of:



A) LATERAL STAYS (SHOWN HERE STABILIZING PRE-BD 620M TYPE PA STRUCTURE, CENTRE COUNTY PA)



B) SHORING TOWER FOR VERTICAL LOAD/DEFLECTION CONTROL (SIMILAR TO ABOVE CENTRE COUNTY, PA STRUCTURE TO LEFT OF DISTINGUISHED GENTLEMEN)



REVISED TIE-DOWN
(AT MIDSPAN)

$$\begin{array}{r} 10' \text{ CE TO FS \#4} \\ 108' \text{ GSE} \\ \hline 50' \text{ FS \#5 TO PILE \#3} \\ \hline L_{\text{eff}} = 168' \end{array}$$

THIS IS THE THEORETICALLY
UNBARRLED LENGTH WHICH
MUST BE REALIZED BY
POSITIONING OF HOLDING
CABLES.

WV 99017 TEMPORARY SHORED TIE-DOWN
(MIDSPAN, IN LIEU OF HOLDING CRANE OR
FULL TOWER ASSEMBLY)

Case Study 4



Trapezoidal Box Girders (Tub girders)



Tub girders generally erect more rapidly than I-girders

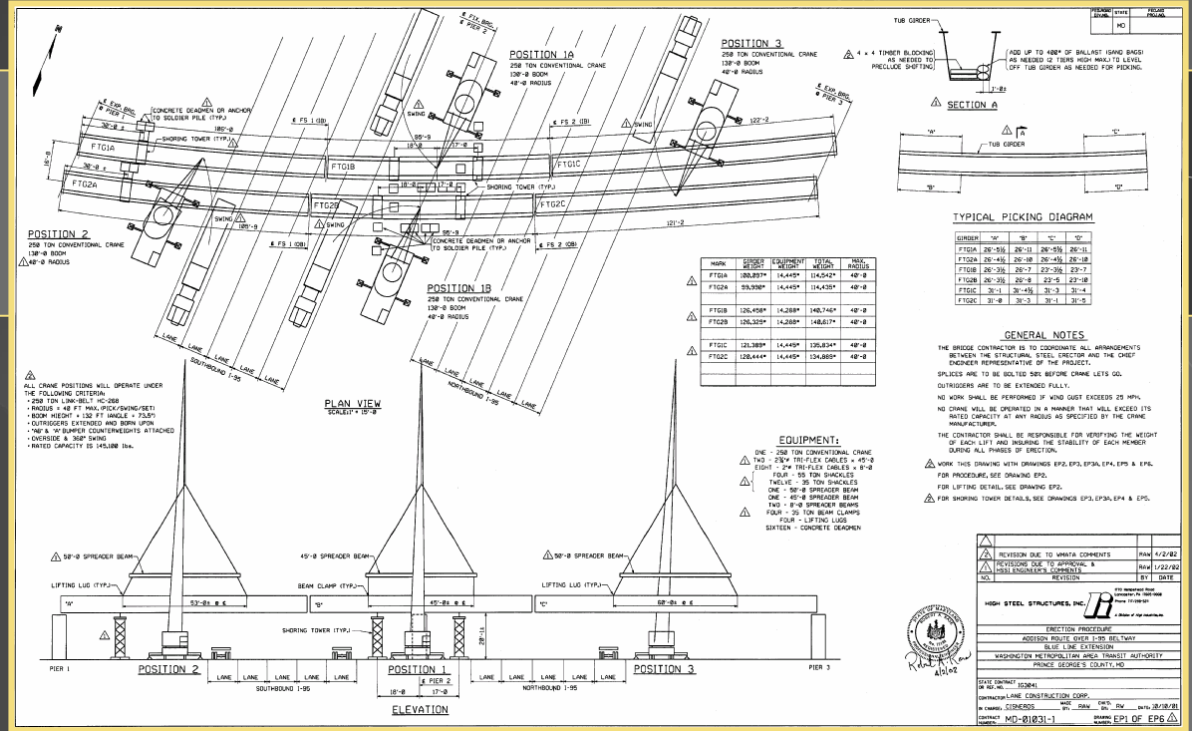
Washington Metro over I-95 Beltway, MD

**Contractor: Lane Construction Corp.
Erector: High Steel Structures, Inc.**

LARGE CURVED TRAPEZOIDAL BOX GIRDERS

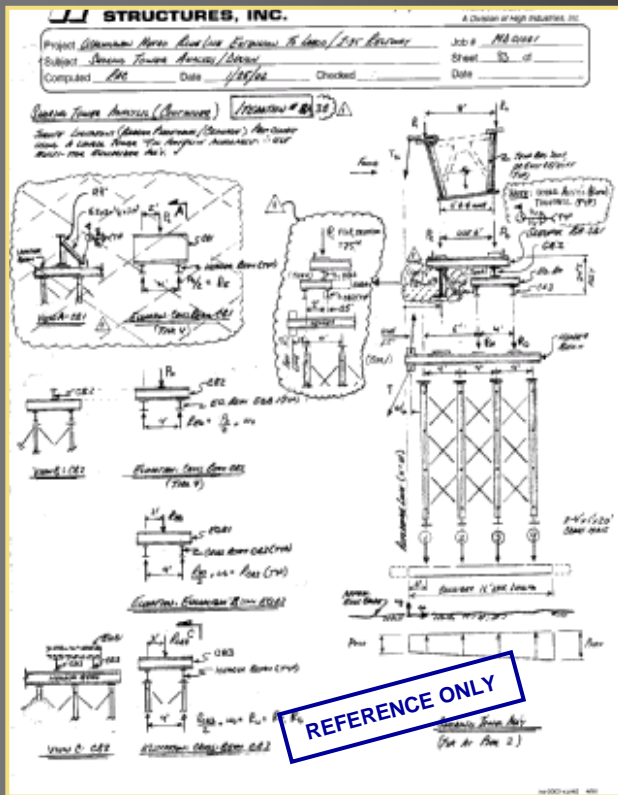
GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS FOR:

- Internal stability
- Balance of curvature during handling

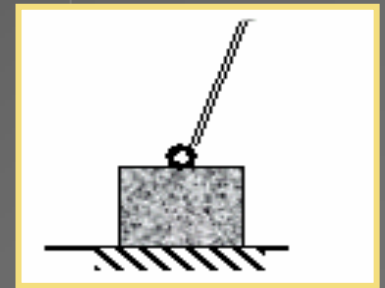
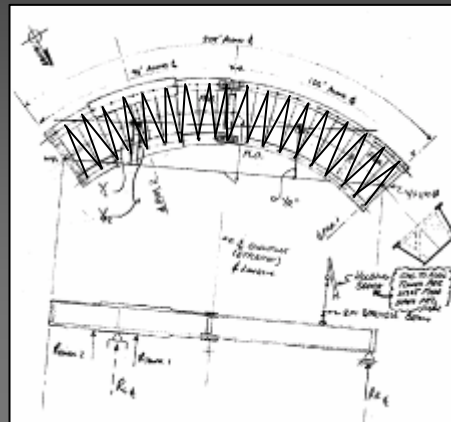


Tie-down Restraint May Be Needed (To Resist Lateral Roll Under D+W)

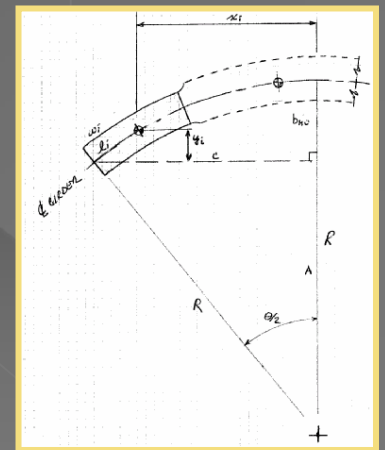
FOR AN INITIAL "QUICK CHECK", EVALUATE ERECTION SPANS, OVERHANGS AND RADII , SOLVING FOR NET UNBALANCED M_{UNBAL}



- Balancing curved picks, etc.
 Compute $M_{UNBAL} = \sum M_i y_i$ where :
- $M_{y_i} = w_i l_i y_i$, where $\sum l_i = R\theta_i$
 - $A = R \cos(\theta/2)$
 - $b_{MO} = R - A$
 - See AISC 9th Ed (ASD) p.6-16 to determine x_i & y_i



Tie-down to "deadman"



Computing M_y

UNLIKE FLEXIBLE, CURVED I-GIRDERS, WHICH MAY BE CHOKED (UNLESS PAINTED), CURVED TRAPEZOIDAL BOX GIRDERS MAY TEND TO LEAN (ROLL): FIRST, ONE WAY DURING SHOP HANDLING...

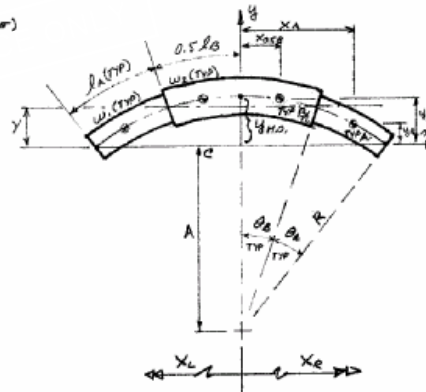


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Project: Washington Running Extension To Largo / Beltway Job #: HD 01031
 Subject: EP STABILITY ANALYSIS Sheet: 8 of 8
 Computed: RAC Date: 12/1/11 Checked: Date: 1/1/12

Geometric Stability Check (Curved) (Choose Pick Point)

Given: w_1, w_2
 L_A, L_B, L_{TOT}
 R
 $\theta_1 = R\theta; \theta_2 = \frac{L_2}{R}, \text{ AND } \left(\frac{360^\circ}{2\pi R}\right) = \theta_1 = \theta_2$
 CONSIDER SECTIONS TO RIGHT OF θ (M.O.):
 Thus, via $L_A \Rightarrow \theta_A$
 $0.5L_B \Rightarrow \theta_{B/2}$
 $0.5L_A + L_A \Rightarrow \theta/2$
 $\sin\theta = x/R; x_i = R\sin\theta_i$
 Thus, $x_x = R\sin(\theta_{ASS} + 0.5\theta_A)$
 $x_B = R\sin(0.5\theta_{ASS})$
 $0.5c = R\sin(\theta_A + 0.5\theta_B)$



By Pythagorean Theorem,
 $A = \sqrt{R^2 - (0.5c)^2}$
 $\& y_{M.O.} = R - A$
 PLAN: NEUTRALLY CURVED GIRDERS
CURVED SYMMETRIC ABOUT θ (M.O.)

REFERENCE ONLY

Ref. AISI 904 ED. (AISC) p. 6-16 (MOMENTUM FROM x_0 @ MID-ORDINATE)

$y_i = y_{M.O.} - R + \sqrt{R^2 - x_i^2}$ gives $y_{M.O.}, y_{ASS}$ (NOTE: TAPER LOAN θ OCCUR @ CR OF EACH SECTION)

To Determine \bar{Y} : $\sum W_i y_i = W_T \bar{Y}; \bar{Y} = \frac{\sum (w_i L_i) y_i}{W_T}$

To Determine $\&$ ROOM @ M.O. TO PICK A_i : x_R

Now, $y_{R1} = y_{M.O.} - R + \sqrt{R^2 - x_i^2}; (R^2 - x_i^2) = (y_i - y_{M.O.} + R)^2$
 $\& \theta x_i^2 = \theta^2 (y_i - y_{M.O.} + R)^2 \Rightarrow$
 $x_i = \sqrt{R^2 - (y_i - y_{M.O.} + R)^2}$
 Solving this eqn for \bar{Y} gives x_R

FOR SYMMETRIC GIRDERS $x_R = x_L$
 $\sin(\theta_R) = x_R/R; \theta_R = \sin^{-1}(x_R/R)$; SPREADS $\&$ OVERHANG (FOR LIFT PLACEMENT), $S = 2\theta_R \cdot R$
 $\&$ OVERHANG, $L_{OH} = (L_{TOT} - S)/2$
 FINALLY, CABLE SPREAD $C_S = 2x_R$

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TG BALANCED PICK COMPUTATIONS

Girder: **FTG1B** $L_{TOT} = 96.00$ ft
 Determine mid-ordinate (M.O.):
 Pythagorean theorem, $A = 998.85$ ft $f_A = 32.00$ ft; $w_1 = 1.22$ klf
 $y_{M.O.} = R - A = 1.15$ ft $f_B = 32.00$ ft; $w_2 = 1.51$ klf
 $f_C = 32.00$ ft; use $R = 1,000$ ft

Determine Balance line:

Section	L_i , ft	θ_i , deg	$x_{cg,i}$, ft	y_i , ft	w_i , klf	$w_i L_i$, kips	$w_i y_i$, k-ft	
M.O.	0	0.000	0.00	1.15				
0.5B(t)	16.00	0.917	8.00	1.12	1.51	24.10	26.99	
FI trans	16.00	0.917	16.00	1.02				
A (c.g.)	32.00	1.833	31.99	0.64	1.22	39.13	25.03	
0.5c (rt)	48.00	2.750	47.98	0.00				
W_{bt} (right), kips =							63.23	$\sum w_i L_i y_i = 52.02$

Note: at these locations, x_{cg}, y_i , are taken to center of each flange segment.
 At other (reference) sections, these values are taken to R.H. end of section.

$\bar{Y} = \frac{\sum w_i L_i y_i}{W_{bt}} = 0.82$ ft

Solving AISC equation for $x_i, x_R = 25.65$ ft
 Thus, cable spread = $x_L + x_R = 51.30$ ft
 For $x_R, \theta_R = \sin^{-1}(x_R/R) = 1.470^\circ$
 $L_B = R \cdot 2\theta_R = 51.30$ ft
 Cable Spread = $S = R \cdot \theta_C = 51.30$ ft = 51 ft 4 in \pm
 Overhang, $L_{OH} = (L_{TOT} - S)/2 = 22.35$ ft = 22 ft 4 in \pm

REFERENCE ONLY

Compare accessible pick points to above values

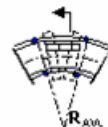
Ref HSSI EP Dvgs & Shop Dvgs, in order to clear existing features (internal CF, lateral bracing gusset plates), actual S is set to the following locations:

A, ft = 26.29	Overhangs	Half-spreads	Effective L_e
B, ft = 26.58	Aug. ft = 26.44 ft,	$0.5S_{eff} = 21.56$ ft	} = Eff S, ft = 46.13
C, ft = 23.29		+ 24.56 ft	
D, ft = 23.58	Aug. ft = 23.44 ft,	$0.5S_{eff} = 24.56$ ft	

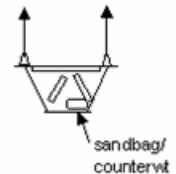
Accuracy of the above is within a couple of feet; to use HSSI available equipment, adjust as follows:

$S_{EFF} < S_{REQ'D}$; so, place counterweights as needed on the

INSIDE of the curve (at web/flange junction) as shown, to level pick.



PICKING DIAGRAM





THEN, GIRDERS MAY LEAN (ROLL) IN THE OPPOSITE DIRECTION DURING SHIPPING/ERECTION, REQUIRING TEMPORARY/PERMANENT SUPPORTS.....

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Project WASHINGTON BLUELINE EXTENSION TO LARGO / I-95 BAYVIEW Job # MD01031
 Subject PRELIMINARY CENTERLINE CURVE (TEMPORARY) Sheet 10 of 10
 Computed RAC Date 12/29/01 Checked ✓ Date 4/3/02

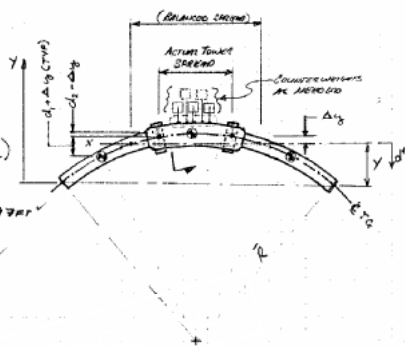
REF. 4882 DWG 6P1, JOBSITE CONDITIONS
(EXISTING BARRIER BEHINDS) LIMIT FEASIBLE
SPACING OF SHORING TOWERS

$X_L + X_R = 17' + 18' = 35'$; $R = 17.5' R'$

ADAM, $y = y_{gm} - R + \sqrt{R^2 - x^2}$ (FOR CURVE SUR)
 $= (1.157) - (1.000) + \sqrt{(1.000)^2 - (17.54)^2}$
 $y = 0.997' R'$

ADAM, FOR CURVE SUR, $Y = 0.82' R'$
 $y - Y = \Delta y = 0.997' - 0.82'$; $\Delta y = 0.177' R'$

BEAM	W, K	y_i, FT	$Y - y_i = d_i$, FT	$d_i + 0.4$, FT = D_i
1	39.1 K	0.64'	+0.18'	+0.357'
2	48.2 K	1.12'	-0.30'	-0.12'
3	39.1 K	0.64'	+0.18'	+0.357'
ADJUST	WATER	5.15'	-4.33'	-4.153'



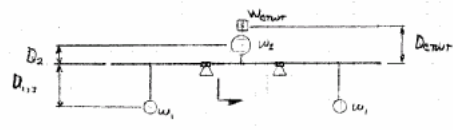
COMPUTATION CURVE
CURVED CHORD ENCLOSED FOR CLARITY

$\sum M_y = \sum W_i D_i + \text{Water Down}$

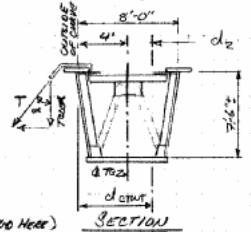
$W_{water} = \frac{\sum W_i D_i}{D_{water}}$

$= \frac{(39.1 \times 0.357) \times 2 + (48.2 \times -0.123)}{-4.153} = \delta (66.29 \text{ K})$

$W_{water} = 5.8 \text{ K LOAD} = T_{water}$

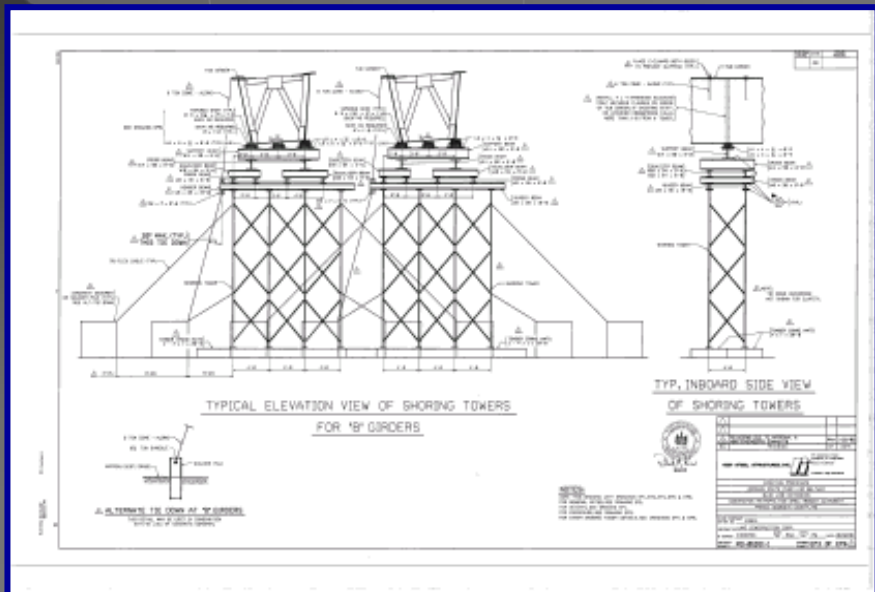
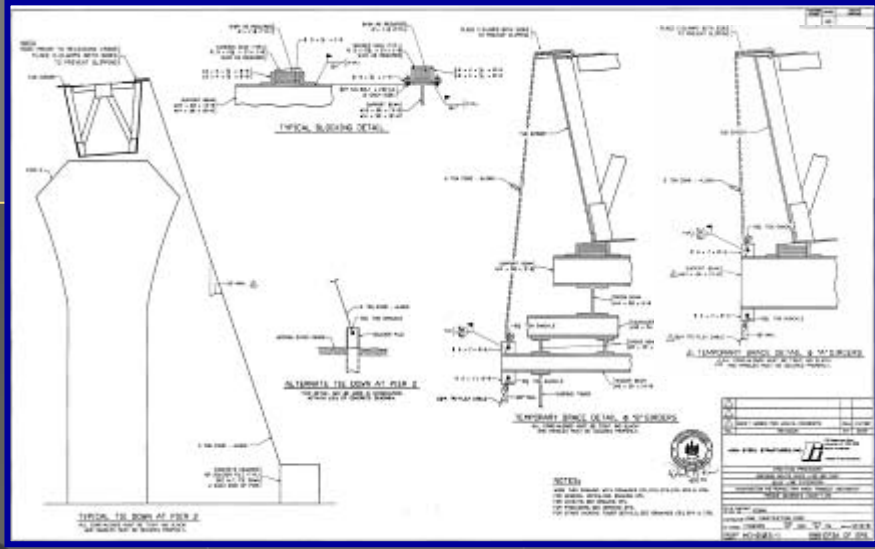


SCHEMATIC PLAN (FRD)

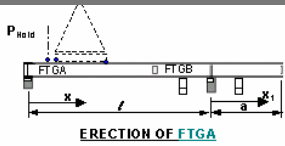


THIS VALUE REPRESENTS THE NET TIE-DOWN FORCE REQUIRED TO OFFSET CURVED CHORD EFFECTS, ACCORDING SCALE PER PT. LARGO AT SHORING TOWERS A100 & C1000

IN REVIEW, BEG LINDS HAS ADVISE KNOWN OF ROLL AT $b_y \gg D_{ty}$. FURTHERMORE, UPON SETTING OF GIRDERS A THIRD BEG PAIR WILL OCCUR AT PIER 2 (HIGHLIGHTED HERE). DUE TO INSTALLATION OF PRE-TIE-DOWN ASIS (SEE FOLLOWING SHEET).



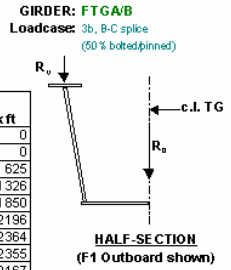
THE SAME GIRDER MAY THEN LEAN BACK IN THE ORIGINAL DIRECTION, DURING SPLICING OF SUBSEQUENT FIELD SECTIONS



Description: Centerline Girder Geometry at Diaphragms
 L = 202.00 ft D = 8 ft
 USE AVG $w_b = 1.0$ klf $d = R_c \phi_b$ ft
 R = 1000 ft $f = 153$ ft ±
 a = 47.83 ft

Diaphragm	θ_b deg	d_i ft	x_i ft	M_i k in	V_i k ft
L.H. End	0	---	0	0	0
c.l. brg	0.067	1.167	1.167	0	0
1	0.558	9.796	10.906	7.498	625
2	0.764	13.333	24.24	15917	1326
3	13.333	37.573	22202		1850
4	13.333	50.906	26354		2196
5	13.333	64.24	28372		2364
6	13.333	77.573	28258		2355
7	13.333	90.907	26010		2167
8	13.333	104.24	21628		1802
9	13.333	117.57	15113		1259
10	13.333	130.91	6465		539
11	13.333	144.24	-4316		-360
12	7.9896	157.57	-11228	$w_b(a-x_i)^2/2$	-936
13	11.49	170.91	-5373		-448
14	13.667	184.24	-1652		-138
15	13.667	197.57	-64		-5
c.l. splice	---	4.43	202.00	-8	-1

*Reference: Des Dwg G4aL-S-07 (M1069-298)



REFERENCE ONLY

Determine preliminary moments & V-Loads:

a. M_{pi} are determined for each line per straight girder design.
 b. Determine V-Loads: $V = M_{pi} + M_{a2}$ where: $C = 1.0$
 $K = R_c/D$

Add V-Load placement at diaphragms (for outboard girder - subtract from inboard girder) & analyze half-girder for these concentrated loads: by superposition of this with the straight girder (preliminary) analysis, the total reaction is $R_c + R_c \pm R_c$.

Top Flange Line: F1 (outboard)
 L = 202.16 ft Dwg Hc1
 $w_b = 0.5$ klf
 R = 1004 ft
 $f = 154.00$ ft ±
 a = 48.16 ft

Location/ Diaphragm	θ_b deg	d_i ft	x_i ft	M_{pi} k ft
L.H. End	0	---	0.00	0
c.l. brg	0.067	1.17	1.17	0
1	0.558	9.78	10.95	316
2	0.764	13.39	24.34	670
3	13.39	37.72	936	
4	13.39	51.11	1111	
5	13.39	64.50	1197	
6	13.39	77.88	1193	
7	13.39	91.27	1100	
8	13.39	104.66	917	
9	13.39	118.04	645	
10	13.39	131.43	283	
11	13.39	144.82	-169	
12	13.39	158.20	-483	
13	13.39	171.59	-234	
14	13.39	184.98	-74	
15	13.39	198.36	-4	
c.l. splice	---	3.80	202.16	0

(two-girder system)
 Top Flange Line: F2 (inboard)
 L = 200.66 ft
 $w_b = 0.5$ klf
 R = 996 ft
 $f = 152.83$ ft ±
 a = 47.84 ft

Location/ Diaphragm	θ_b deg	d_i ft	x_i ft	M_{pi} k ft	V_i k
L.H. End	0	---	0.00	0	0.0
c.l. brg	0.067	1.16	1.16	0	0.0
1	0.558	9.70	10.86	311	0.8
2	0.764	13.28	24.14	660	2.2
3	13.28	37.42	921	3.1	
4	13.28	50.70	1094	3.7	
5	13.28	63.98	1178	4.0	
6	13.28	77.26	1175	3.9	
7	13.28	90.54	1083	3.6	
8	13.28	103.82	903	3.0	
9	13.28	117.10	635	2.1	
10	13.28	130.38	279	0.9	
11	13.28	143.66	-166	-0.6	
12	13.28	156.94	-478	-1.6	
13	13.28	170.22	-232	-0.8	
14	13.28	183.50	-74	-0.2	
15	13.28	196.78	-4	0.0	
c.l. splice	---	3.88	200.66	0	0.0

V_a Tot = 2.42

At FTGA-B Field splice, $x = 105$ ft

F1 (outboard) top flange
 $V_{F1} = 34.5$ k ↑
 $V_{V(F1)} = k$ **
 $V_{F1} = V_{F1} + V_{V(F1)}$

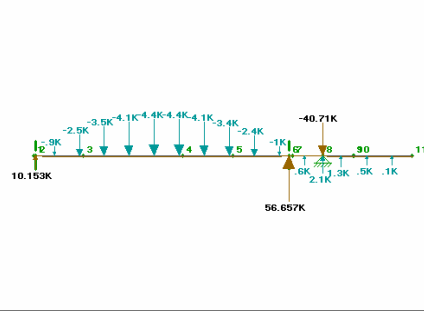
F1 (outboard) top flange
 $R_{F1} = k$ **
 $R_{V(F1)} = k$ **
 $R_1 = R_{F1} + R_{V(F1)}$

F2 (inboard) top flange
 $V_2 = k$ ↑
 Does not control

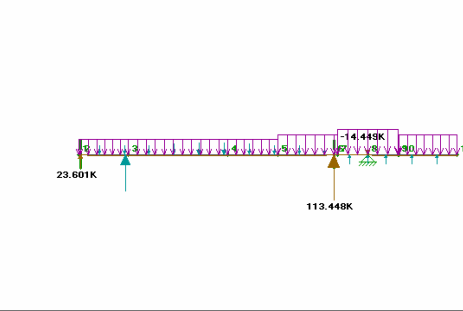
*See analysis output, Filename 1031setA.R2D
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REFERENCE ONLY

Washington Metro BlueLine Extension over I-95 Beltway
 Curved (V-Load Method), partially rolled w/Tower #1 reaction
 Loads: LC 4, V-Loads alone



Washington Metro BlueLine Extension over I-95 Beltway
 Curved (V-Load Method), partially rolled w/Tower #1 reaction
 Loads: LC 3, LC2b: T1P2+Hold+V



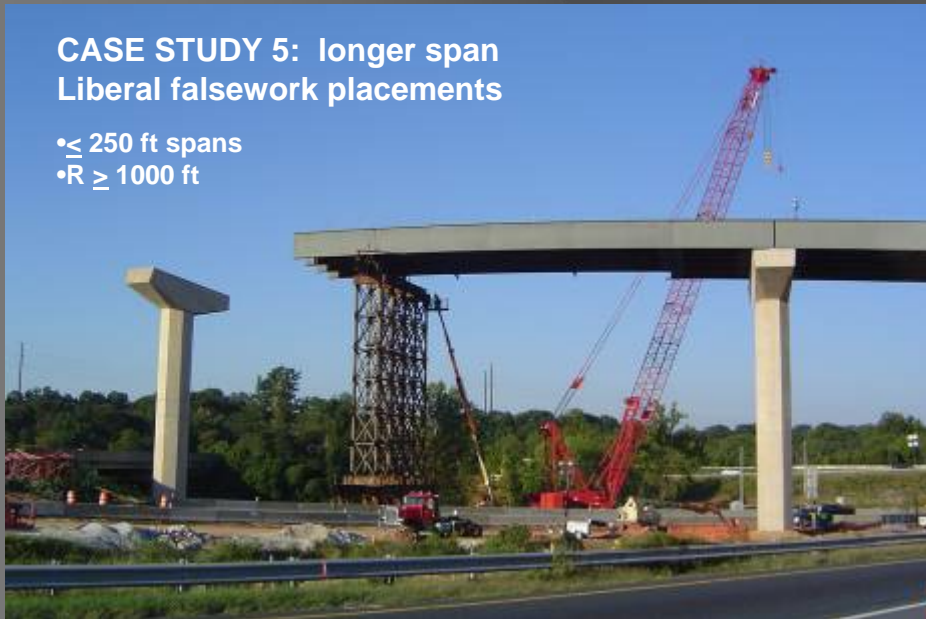
Thus, curved box girder rigidity warrants global (stability), in addition to the conventional torsional stability check.

Case Study 5

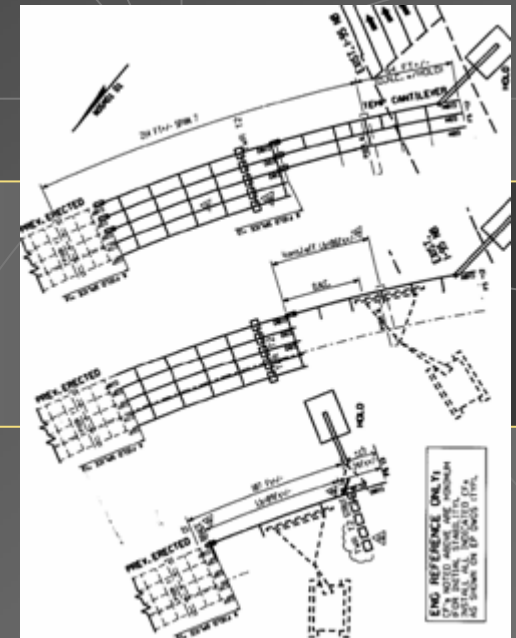
Erecting I-girders with temporary shoring when liberal placements are feasible

CASE STUDY 5: longer span Liberal falsework placements

- ≤ 250 ft spans
- $R \geq 1000$ ft



I-695/I-95 Interchange: Ramp GG, Structure S6
Baltimore County, Maryland (Towson)
Owner: Maryland Transportation Authority
Contractor: Wagman/Corman/McLean Tri-venture
Fabricator/Erector: High Steel Structures, Inc.



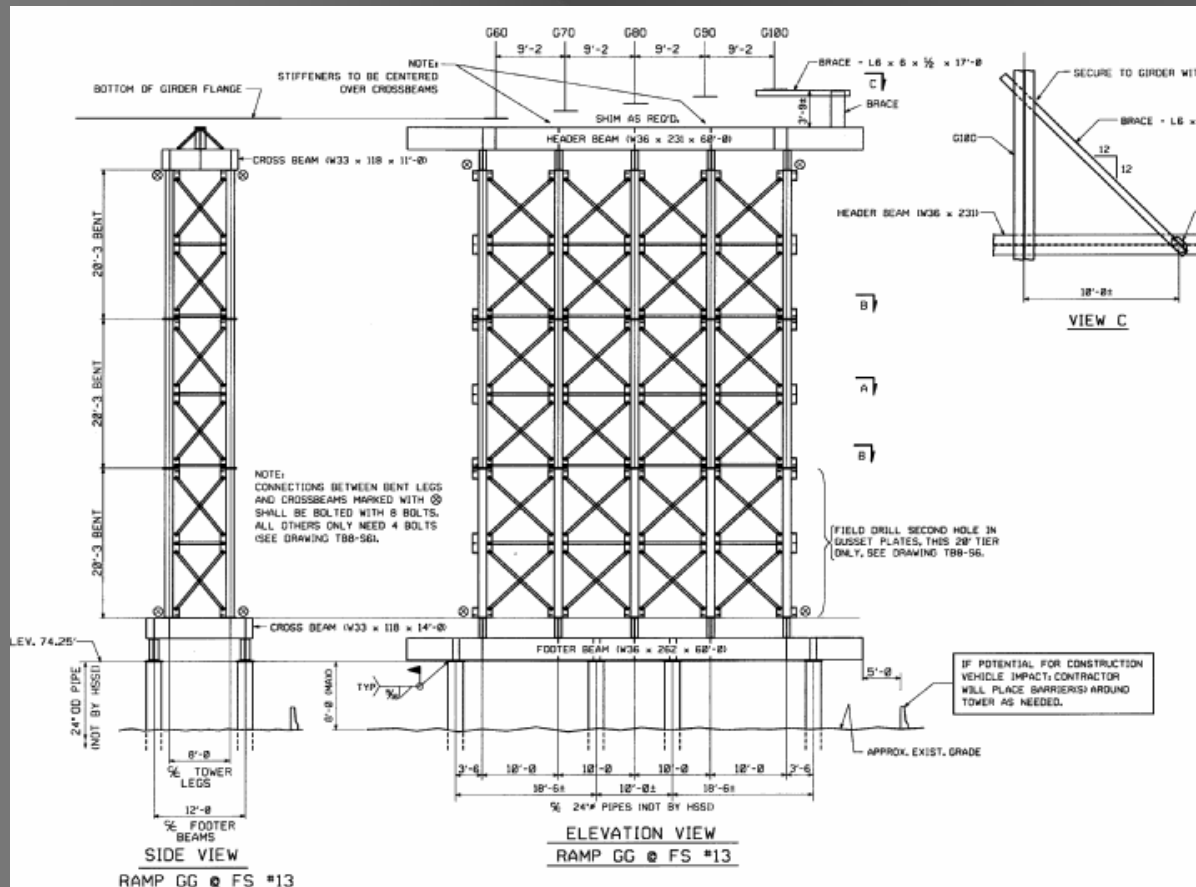
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CASE STUDY 5 (continued)

BRIDGE TEMPORARY WORKS: FALSEWORK/SHORING

Reference: AASHTO LRFD BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION SPECIFICATIONS, 2ND ED. (2004)



Sections 3.1.3 (Temporary Works) and 3.2 (Falsework) provide direction regarding established and generally accepted codes or specifications (verify acceptance criteria with the Engineer).

CAUTION: do not mix codes without due consideration of resistance level consistency among various falsework components, & erection equipment. Be especially alert for LFRD, LFD & SLD (ASD) based differences, such as:

- limit states
- resistance factors
- working loads
- explicit/inherent factors of safety.

CASE STUDY 5 (continued)



TOWER 2 (SUMMER):

- wind on tower
- wind on partially erected structure
- contingency (hurricane) tie-downs & anchorage

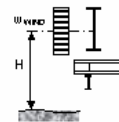
SOUND ENGINEERING JUDGEMENT IS KEY IN APPLYING APPROPRIATE, SITE-SPECIFIC WINDLOAD(S) FOR CONTROLLING ERECTION LOADCASES.

High Steel Structures, Inc.
I-95/I-695 Interchange
HSSI Job No. MD 06190

by: RAC
date: 10/24/07
checked: ___
date: ___

FS #	9
ELEVATIONS	
BOS, Avg	137
TOF, Mean	58.5

Clearance to underside of structure: 78.50 +/-			
bott fl, in	web, in	top fl, in	
2,000	102,000	2,000	8.83
Mid-height of girder:			82.92
Say H (ft) =			90

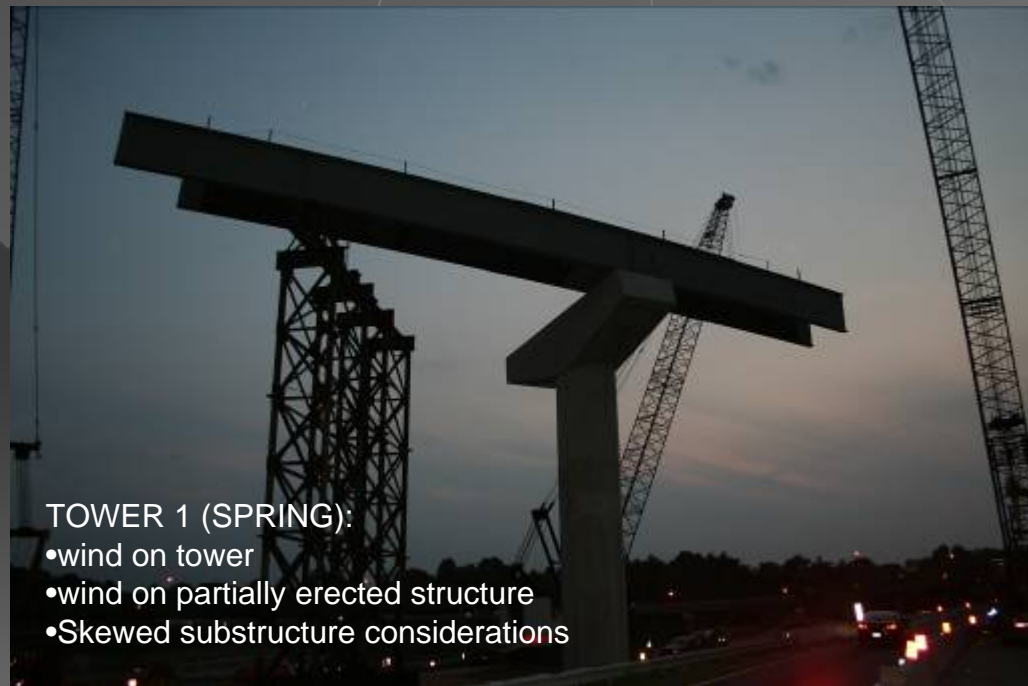


Note:
Temporary Application (short-term). The requirements of AASHTO 3.15 are based upon service load return interval. Use as temporary wind loading, during **erection**: V_{WIND} (MPH) = 50

Referencing ANSI/ASCE Standard 7-95, Section 6.5, use: $q_z = 0.00256k_z k_d V^2$, psf > 10 psf
Compute base wind pressure & UDL (Y-Y axis)

Reference	Page	Comments										
Determine Wind Pressure												
Table 1-1	2	Importance Category (other) Importance Category = II										
Table 6-2	17	Importance Factor I = 1										
Seet 6.5.3	17,31	Assume open, use Cat C Exposure Category = C										
Table 6-3	17	Velocity Pressure Exposure Coeff., $k_z = 0.98$										
Seet 6.5.1	17	$k_z \geq 1.0$ (Required)										
Seet 6.5.5	34, 20	$H < 30$ ft? NA										
<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p>THIS SECTION NOT USED</p> <p>Assume slope: 1 vertical, 2 horizontal</p> <p>L_z (ft) = 100 ±</p> <p>$W_{TWR} = 0.50$ (0.07) No</p> <p>Use $H_{TWR} = 0.5$</p> <p>$K_1 = 0.72$ (Use ridge)</p> <p>$K_2 = 1$ (assumed max)</p> <p>$K_3 = 1$ (assumed max)</p> <p>$(1 + K_1 K_2 K_3)^2 = k_{zt} = 2.96$</p> <p>CONTROLS $q_z = 18.6$ psf</p> <p>$q_{z,MIN} = 10.0$ psf</p> </div>												
Seet 6.5.3	31											
Determine Wind Force												
Seet 6.6.1	34	Exposure Category C Gust Factor, G = 0.85										
Table 6-8	33	consider closest to "solid sign" type structure, above ground level										
<p>M (tributary length), use (ft) = 91 ±</p> <p>N (tributary depth), use (ft) = 8.83 } M/N = 10</p> <p>Wind Force Coefficient, use $C_p = 1.3$</p>												
$F = q_z G C_p A_f$; so, $UDL = q_z G C_p d_{girder}$ factored $q_z = 21$ psf												
Table 6-1	16	Determine Effective Design Wind UDL ("other structures"):										
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HSSI REFERENCE



TOWER 1 (SPRING):

- wind on tower
- wind on partially erected structure
- Skewed substructure considerations

Subject structure used Engineer-accepted, site-specific (inland coastal) wind-levels for:

- tower alone (prior to girder erection)
- picking/setting girders (within single shift)
- partially erected structure (e.g., weekend)
- longer-term contingency (monitoring local weather)

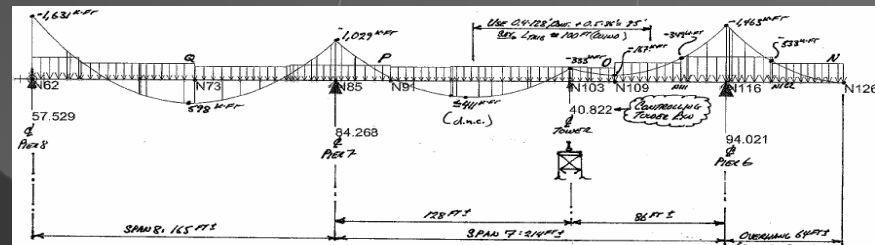
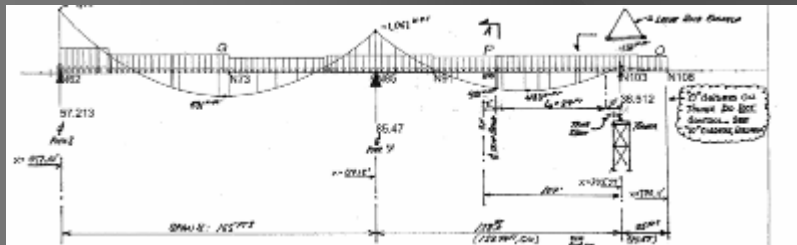
CASE STUDY 5 (continued)



SITE-SPECIFIC EXAMPLE: TOWER 2 STAGES CHECKED (CONTROLLING COMBINATIONS USED)



TOWER ALONE/CONST (V_{WIND} , LONG/LAT)



INITIAL GIRDER LINES
WEEKEND ($V_{WIND} \leq 40$ MPH)



PARTIAL LOADING
SHORT-TERM ($V_{WIND} \leq 50$ MPH)



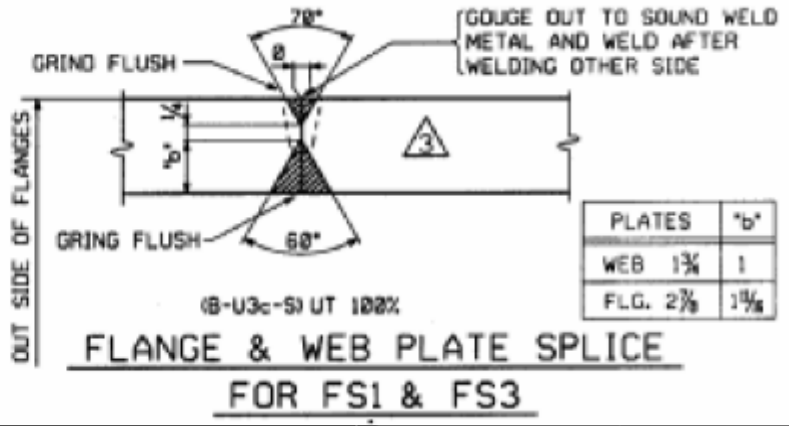
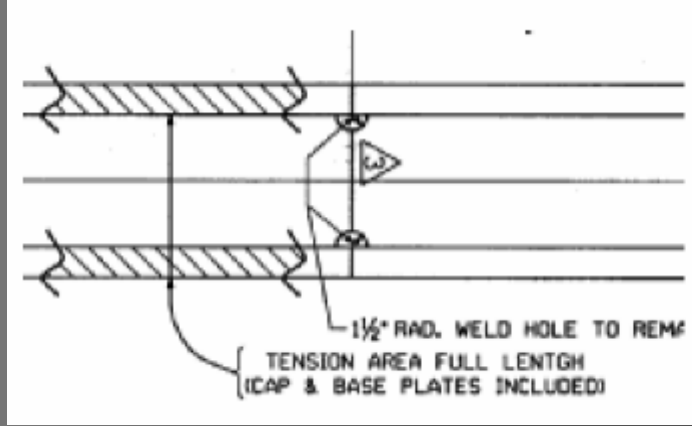
PARTIAL LOADING
LONGER-TERM ($V_{WIND} \leq 80$ MPH)

MISCELLANEOUS ERECTION INNOVATIONS



Field Welding

HSS FIELD SPLICE



WIDE FLANGE SHOP SPLICE

Bridge erection methodologies bear scrutiny & innovation. Example: consider field welding of I-girder/tub girder field splices (Texas practice). Advantages include smoother appearance than bolting (ratholes may be filled with caulk).

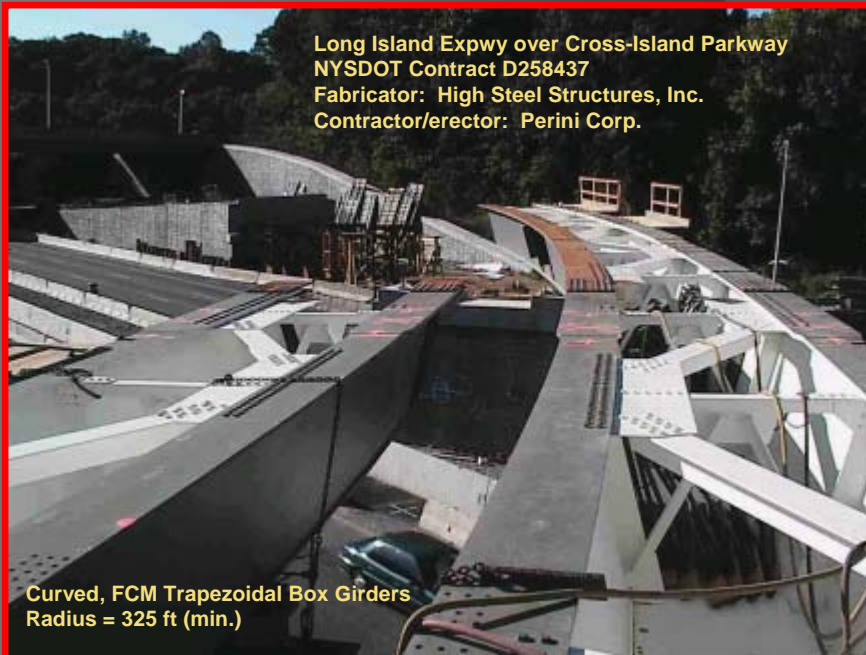
Thank you for your attention.

QUESTIONS?



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