

Ultra-High Performance Concrete Connections for Pre-Fabricated Bridge Elements

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Outline

- History of UHPC
- National Experience with UHPC
- Definition
 - Properties
- Batching
- Placing
- Curing
- Testing
- Illinois' First Project
- Every Day Counts Initiative



History of UHPC

Concrete



High Performance Concrete



Self Consolidating Concrete




Ultra High Performance
Concrete

Concrete




King Tut???

High Performance Concrete

- SHRP – Strategic Highway Research Program
 - 1988-1993
 - Catalog of Products
 - Superpave  Super Duper Pave
 - High Performance Concrete
 - Strength
 - Durability


HPC

- National Momentum started in 1996



Bridge Views

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HPC IMPLEMENTATION

Kenneth R. Wylie, Federal Highway Administrator

In recent years, the number of State departments of transportation (DOTs) using high-performance concrete (HPC) to build or rebuild bridges has been steadily increasing. HPC uses the same basic materials as conventional concrete but the proportions are engineered to meet the demands of each project. State highway agencies are finding that HPC is more durable and, in many cases, stronger than conventional concrete. This allows them to build bridges faster, with less materials, and with less labor—and that's good news for their customers, work crews, budget offices, and traveling public.

To get the greatest benefit from this new and evolving technology, however, the many organizations and companies involved in bridge design and construction need to share information about their experiences with HPC bridge projects. Doing so will allow us to build on each other's successes and avoid any known problems.

That's why I am pleased to introduce this new bimonthly newsletter, *HPC Bridge Views*, produced jointly by the National Concrete Bridge Council (NCBC) and FHWA. The newsletter will feature articles from the many partners in the HPC for bridges implementation effort, including the AASHTO HPC Lead States Team, State DOTs, universities, ready-mixed concrete suppliers, the prestressed concrete industry, material and admixture suppliers, contractors, consultants, and FHWA. The editorial content of the newsletter will be determined jointly by NCBC, HPC Lead States team, and FHWA; NCBC will handle the printing and distribution of the newsletter.

HPC Bridge Views is the first product of a cooperative agreement between NCBC and FHWA. The purpose of the agreement is to develop and implement means to enhance the use and quality of concrete materials and bridge systems. This partnership will help us achieve a more cost-effective highway system.

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HPC BRIDGE CALENDAR

Feb. 23-24, 1999
Ohio HPC Showcase, Cincinnati, OH.
See enclosed announcement or contact Dr. R. A. Miller at 513-556-3744.

Mar. 14-18, 1999
ACI Annual Convention—Theme: High Performance Concrete, Chicago, IL.
Contact ACI Headquarters at 248-848-3800.

June 29-July 1, 1999
Regional HPC Showcase, Auburn, AL.
Contact T. Hallyard at 202-366-6765.

HPC

- 1st Meeting with Illinois – 1998
- 33 HPC Decks in Illinois
 - 2000 and 2001
 - Conclusion: Crack too Much – Momentum Stopped
- ISTHA and Chicago of Chicago
 - Continue to utilize HPC (with success)

UHPC

- 1st work with this – 1980 in Denmark or France or somewhere like that?
- Just now gaining momentum in US
- 1st Bridge using UHPC – Iowa - 2006

UHPC Girders













Definition of UHPC

- Cementitious composite material composed of:
 - Optimized gradation of granular constituents
 - W/C Ratio < 0.25
 - High % of steel fibers
 - Compressive Strength > 21.7 ksi
 - Discontinuous pore structure that reduces liquid ingress
 - Enhanced durability

Key Components

- Silica Fume – 10% or more by wt. of cement
 - Illinois Microsilica Overlay uses 5.5%
- Crushed quartz, limestone or basalt (fine aggregates – no coarse stuff)
- Chemical Admixtures
 - Accelerators
 - Superplasticizers

Typical Composition of UHPC

Material	Amount	% by Weight
Portland Cement	1200 lb/yd ³	28.5
Silica Fume	390 lb/yd ³	9.3
Ground Quartz	355 lb/yd ³	8.5
Fine Sand	1720 lb/yd ³	41.0
Steel Fibers*	263 lb/yd ³	6.3
Superplasticizer	51 lb/yd ³	1.2
Water	218 lb/yd ³	5.2



UHPC Mix Design

Constituent	UHPC Proportion (lb/yd ³)	Normal Concrete (lb/yd ³)
Coarse Aggregate	---	1,739
Sand	1,719	1,429
Cement	1,197	600
Ground Quartz	354	---
Silica Fume	388	---
Water	236	300
Superplasticizer	22	---
Steel Fibers	270	---

Key Components

- Water
 - Temp of water is key
 - Use chilled water or ice
 - Cubed ice works better – helps in mixing
 - Note: All ice should be melted before addition of steel fibers

Iowa Research Finding

At ambient temperatures of 75.5°F, the temperature of freshly mixed UHPC reached 100°F and the flow characteristics were inadequate for placement and consolidation.

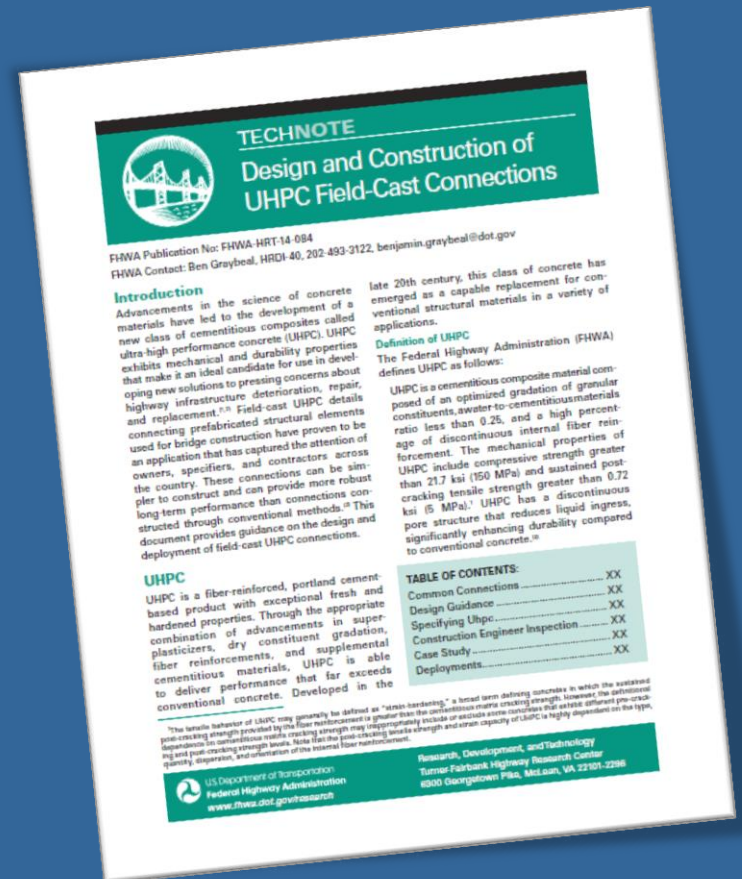
Key Components

- Steel Fibers
 - 2% by volume
 - May be straight or deformed
 - ½” long straight fibers are most common
 - Domestic Steel Issue



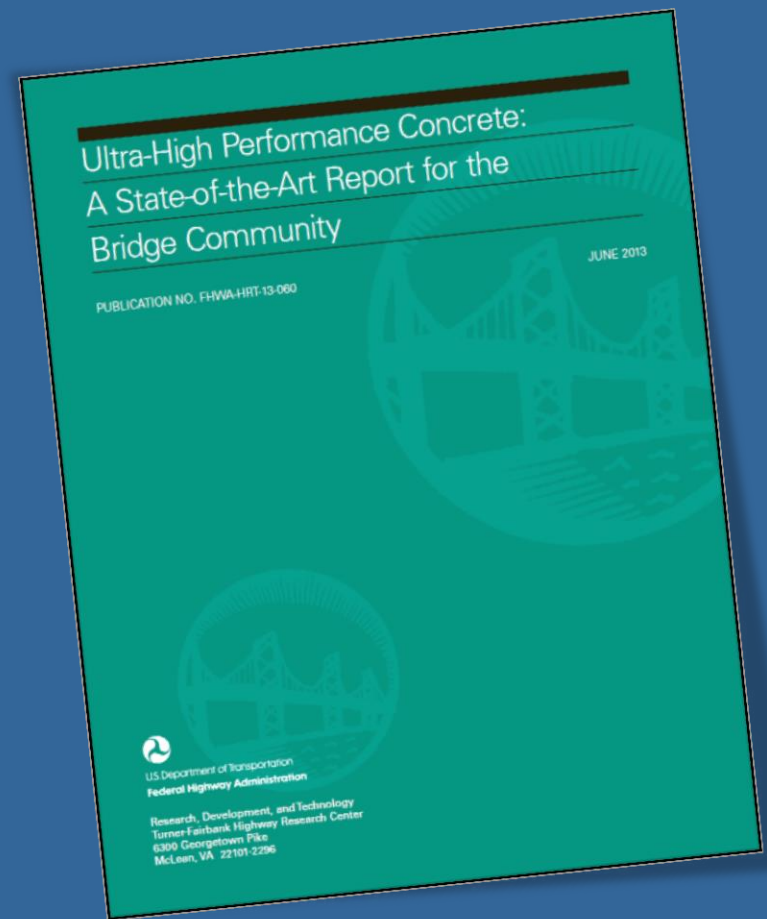
GUIDANCE ON USE OF UHPC CONNECTIONS

- FHWA document HRT-14-084
 - Design guidance
 - Construction guidance
 - Case Studies




UHPC State-of-the-Art Report

- FHWA HRT-13-060
 - 300+ references
 - 600+ item bibliography
 - Materials, Performance, Design, Applications, Outlook
 - Web Search:
UHPC State of the Art



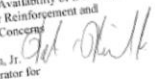
FHWA UHPC Memo – 12 Feb 2014

- Buy America re: Fibers
- Availability
- Proprietary Products
- Example Special Provision (NYSDOT)

 **Memorandum**

Date: February 12, 2014

Subject: **INFORMATION:** Ultra High Performance Concrete (UHPC) - Availability of Domestic Source of Steel Fiber Reinforcement and Proprietary Product Concerns

From: Walter C. Waidelich, Jr. 
Associate Administrator for Infrastructure

In Reply Refer To: HPA-30.

To: Directors of Field Services
Division Administrators

Ultra High Performance Concrete (UHPC) is a high strength, ductile material formulated by combining Portland cement, silica fume, fine silica sand, a high range water reducer, water, and steel fibers. The Federal Highway Administration research completed by the Turner-Fairbank Highway Research Center (FHWA) has demonstrated that UHPC can be very beneficial to the State Departments of Transportation (State DOTs) - particularly for use in connections between prefabricated bridge elements.

The FHWA encourages the use of this material as a means to enhance bridge durability and long-term performance, expedite the on-site construction process, improve safety during construction, and to help shorten overall project delivery. Additional information on UHPC and its specific components may be found at the following link: <http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/research/resources/uhpc.cfm>

Availability of Domestic Source - Steel Fiber Reinforcement

Use of UHPC in the United States has been limited due to the lack of domestic production capacity of the steel fiber reinforcement that is used in the UHPC mix. In the past, use of UHPC required that the steel fiber reinforcement be obtained from non-domestic sources; thus, use of this material on Federal-aid highway construction projects required the contracting agency to either demonstrate that the minimal use provisions of 23 CFR 635.410(b)(4) were satisfied, or request that the FHWA issue a project waiver to its Buy America requirements.

Recently, a domestic supplier that can produce the steel fibers to meet the UHPC specifications in accordance with the Buy America requirements has been identified. Bekaert Corporation's production facility located in Rome, Georgia has



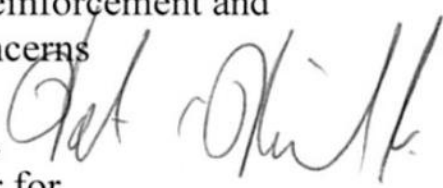


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Buy America Requirements

- Two Issues Limited Usage To Date
 - Availability of Domestic Source of Steel Fibers
 - Proprietary Product Concerns

Buy American Requirements

- Bekaert Corporation
 - Rome, Georgia
 - New Domestic Source
 - No more problem ???

Sole Source Issue

- Ductal[®] - Lafarge Corporation
- BCV[®]
- BSI[®]
- CRC[®]
- Densit[®]
- Cor-Tuf[®]
- Several States developing non-proprietary mix designs



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RESEARCH TOPIC STATEMENT

I. TITLE (required):

Feasibility of Non-Proprietary Ultra-High Performance Concrete (UHPC) for Use in Highway Bridges in Montana.

II. TOPIC STATEMENT (required):

The objective of the proposed project is to design and test non-proprietary UHPC mixes to determine whether UHPC is a viable option for Montana.

III. BACKGROUND STATEMENT (required):

Ultra-high performance concrete became commercially available in the U.S. in 2000. Since then, UHPC has been actively promoted by the Federal Highway Administration. UHPC has mostly been used in the U.S. for



National Usage

- 9 States have UHPC bridges in service
- About 45 bridges total – built or being built right now
- New York is leader by far
- 20 other states seriously considering usage right now

Name	Year
Mars Hill Bridge, Wapello County, IA	2006
Route 624 over Cat Point Creek, Richmond County, VA	2008
Jakway Park Bridge, Buchanan County, IA	2008
State Route 31 over Canandaigua Outlet, Lyons, NY	2009
State Route 23 over Otego Creek, Oneonta, NY	2009
Little Cedar Creek, Wapello County, IA	2011
Fingerboard Road Bridge over Staten Island Expressway, NY	2011-2012
State Route 248 over Bennett Creek, NY	2011
U.S. Route 30 over Burnt River and UPRR bridge, OR	2011
U.S. Route 6 over Keg Creek, Pottawatomie County, IA	2011
Ramapo River Bridge, Sloatsburg, NY	2011
State Route 42 Bridges (2) near Lexington, NY	2012
State Route 31 over Putnam Brook near Weedsport, NY	2012
I-690 Bridges (2) over Peat Street near Syracuse, NY	2012
I-690 Bridges (2) over Crouse Avenue near Syracuse, NY	2012
I-481 Bridge over Kirkville Road near Syracuse, NY	2012
Windham Bridge over BNSF Railroad on U.S. Route 87 near Moccasin, MT	2012
State Route 12 over Spring Brook near Greene, NY	2013
State Route 10 over Webster Brook near Dehli, NY	2013
State Route 38 over Wilson Creek near Newark, NY	2013
State Route 962G over U.S. Route 17 in Owego, NY	2013
State Route 907W over U. S. Route 1 in Pelham, NY	2013
State Route 2 Bridges (2) over SR9 in Colonie, NY	2013
I-81 Bridges (2) over E Castle St in Syracuse, NY	2013
I-81 Bridges (2) over E Calthrop Ave in Syracuse, NY	2013
I-84 Bridges (2) over Dingle Road in Southeast, NY	2013
I-690 Westbound over Onandaga Creek in Syracuse, NY	2013
I-690 over N. Salina Street in Syracuse, NY	2013
SR1004 over Cove Creek in Everett, PA	2013
Northampton St. over Manhan River in Easthampton, MA	2013
Sollars Road over Lees Creek in Washington Court House, OH	2014
SR0288 over Wampum Run in Wampum, PA	2014
I-81 Bridges (2) over Preble Road in Preble, NY	2014
US Route 6 over D&RGW Railroad in Spanish Fork, UT	2014

Summary – Bridges in Service

- New York – 22
- Iowa – 4
- Pennsylvania – 2
- Virginia -1
- Oregon – 1
- Montana – 1
- Massachusetts – 1
- Ohio – 1
- Utah - 1



Largest UHPC Application

- New Jersey Pulaski Skyway



Pulaski Skyway

- 4 lanes
- 3.5 miles long
- 118 spans
- \$400 million rehab
- 1 million sq.ft. of deck replacement in 2 yrs
 - 10,000 sq.ft. replaced per week
- Panels: Light weight concrete and stainless steel reinforcement

Pulaski Skyway

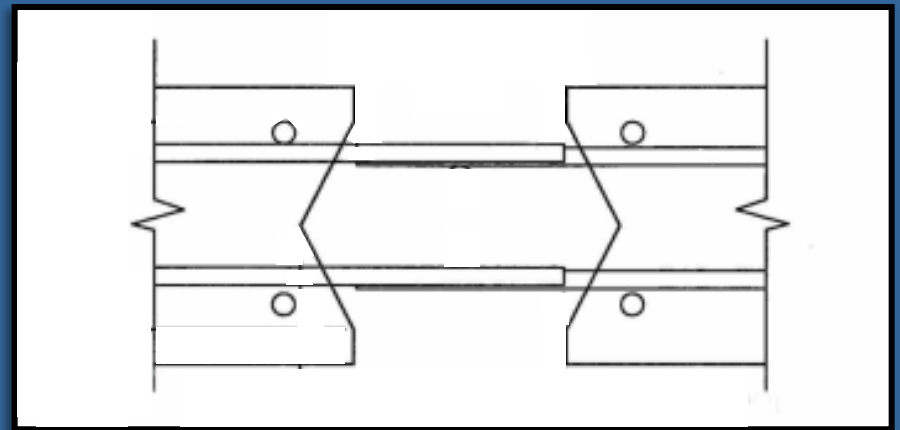
- Spec req'd full scale mock-up of the panel assembly prior to production
 - Very necessary and recommended
 - Contractor not used to fluidity of UHPC compared to normal concretes/grouts
 - Multiple forms failed and material leaked out

Pulaski Skyway Lessons Learned

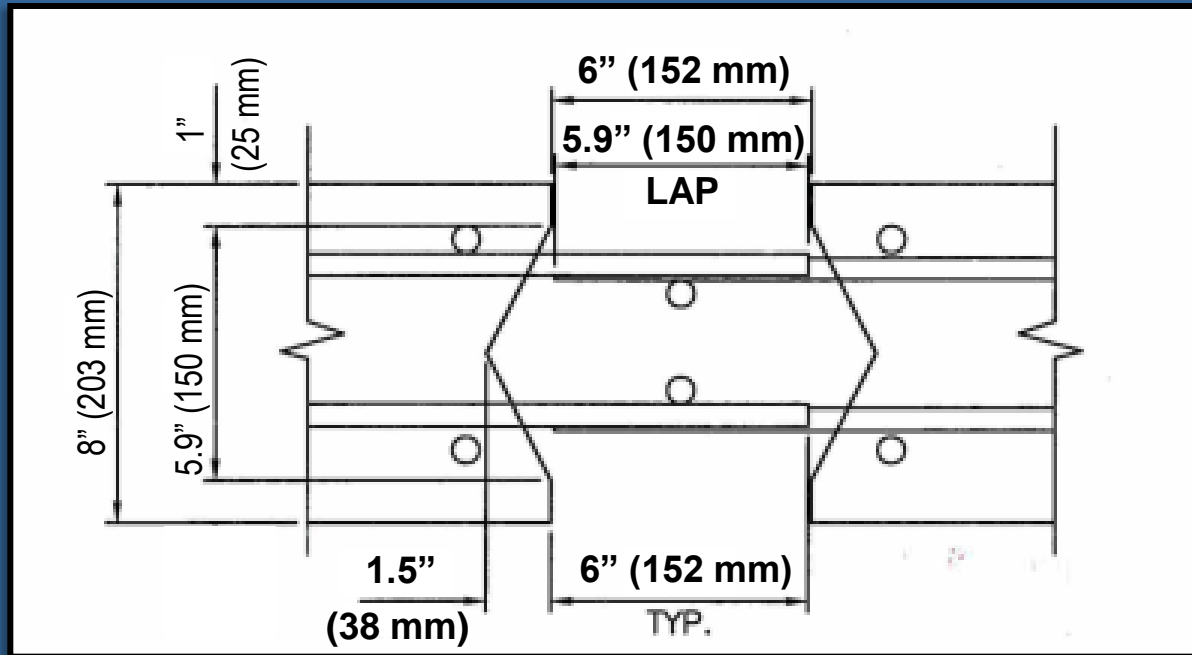
- Do a practice run – easy to screw up in field
- Reduce congestion in joints
 - Minimize reinforcement
- Keep the design simple and “cookie cutter” if possible

FIELD-CAST “SPLICE” CONNECTIONS

- Simple Lap-Splice Cxn
- Smaller Grout Volumes
- Shortened Bar Lengths
- Emulates Monolithic Component



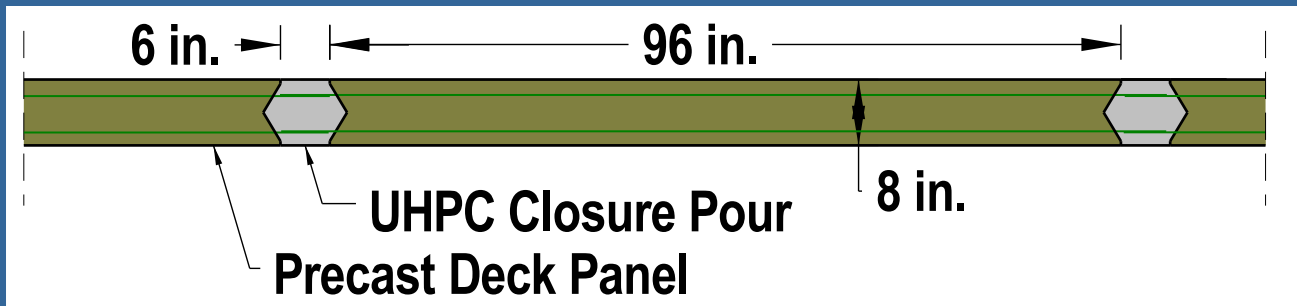
SLAB/PLATE/DECK CONNECTIONS W/ UHPC



Field-Cast, Non-Contact Lap Splice Connection

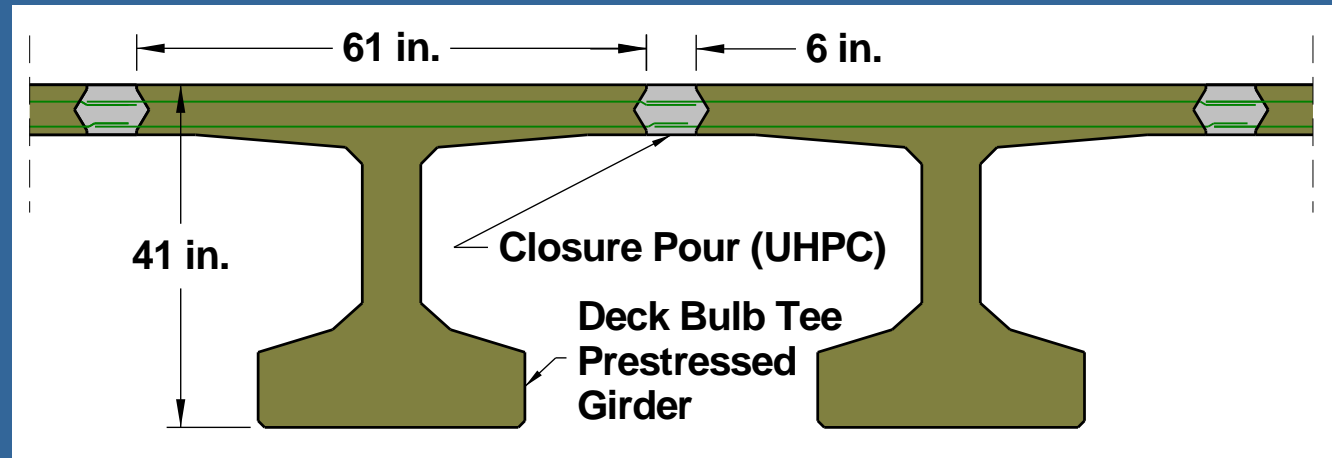


FIELD-CAST "SPLICE" CONNECTIONS



Precast Deck Panels and Slabs

Deck Bulb Tee Girders



UHPC Composite Connection



Steel Girder Connection



Concrete Girder Connection

PBES INNOVATION

I-81 in Syracuse NY — August 2013

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NY Accelerated Bridge Program

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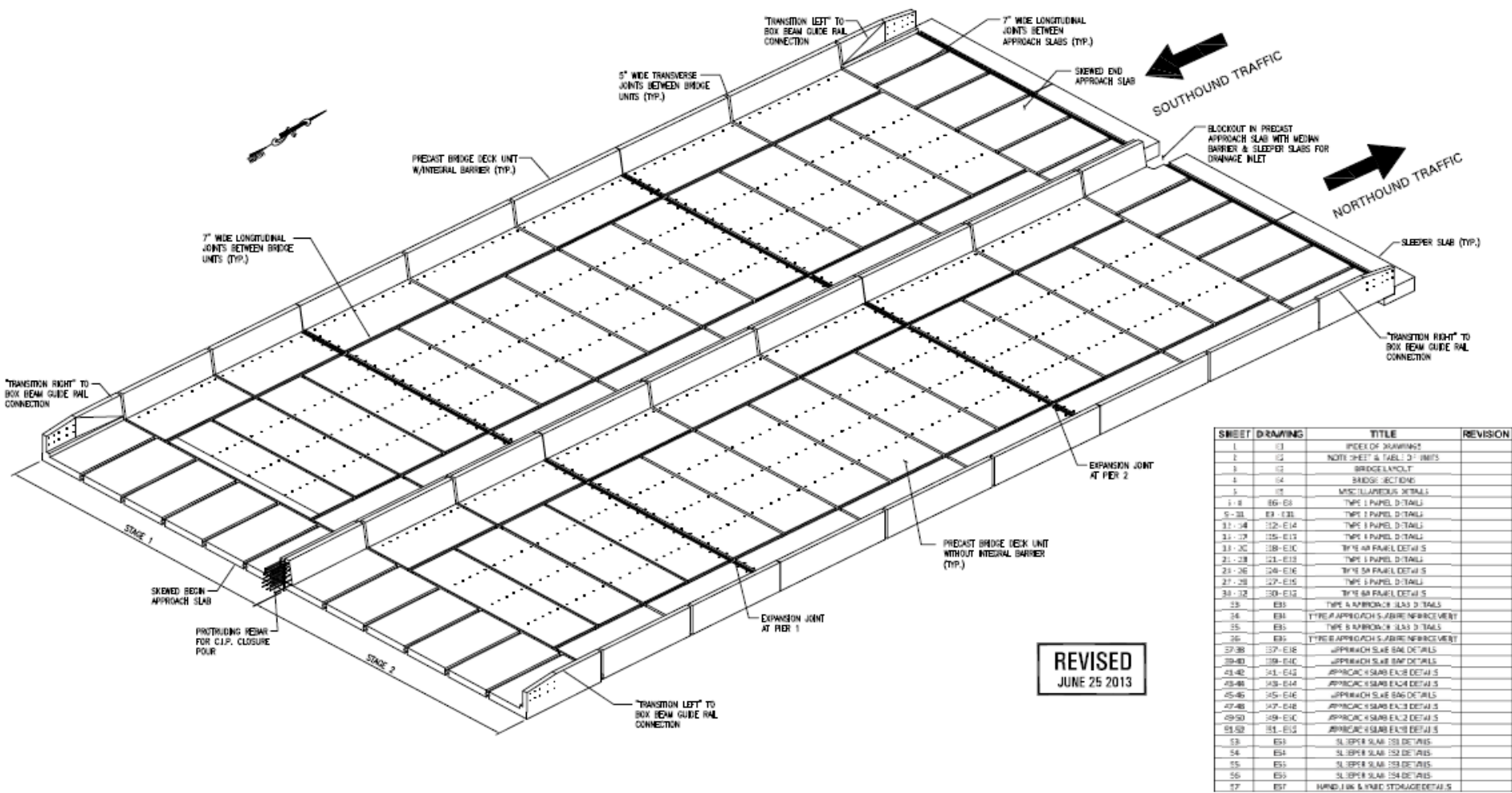
Fort Miller Group, Inc.

Slate Hill Constructors, Inc.

Economy Paving Company, Inc.



I-81 OVER EAST CALTHROP AVENUE



SHEET	DRAWING	TITLE	REVISION
1	01	SPEC OF MATERIAL	
2	02	NOTICE SHEET & TABL. D' LIMITS	
3	03	BRIDGE LAYOUT	
4	04	BRIDGE SECTION	
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Deck-to-Deck Connection



Deck-Barrier Components



Testing of UHPC

Air Content

- None Required
- No Testing



- UHPC is so impermeable that water cannot get in to cause problems with freeze/thaw

Slump



Flow Testing of UHPC

7" to 10"









Compressive Strength



Compressive Strength

- 3" by 6" cylinder is most common
- Can use 4" diameter cylinders
 - Depends on Machine Capacity
- Acceptable Alternative: Cubes
 - 2" to 4" cubes
 - 2" most common

Compressive Strength

- Typical Spec:
 - 4 Sets of Test Samples each day of placement
 - One set is 3 cylinders
- Test at:
 - 4 Days
 - 14 Days
 - 28 Days

Helpful Hints

- Very Important : for strengths > 15 ksi
 - Requires grinding of ends of cylinders
 - flat and parallel
 - Usually requires a fixed-end grinder
 - Some Labs have this, many don't
 - If you don't grind ends properly, you'll see a much lower strength

What's a Fixed-End Grinder?



Alternative

Cubes



- Eliminates need for grinding
- Molds must be kept very still
- Sides must be parallel
- Cheap Plastic molds don't work well

New York Spec to Check for Leaking Joints

Five working days after

G. Concrete Placement and Finishing. After the joint system has been fully installed, the concrete shall be placed in accordance with the contract plans. The concrete shall be finished in accordance with 557-3.07 - Finishing Integral Wearing Surfaces on Superstructure Slabs.

H. Watertight Integrity Test At least five work days after the joint system has been fully installed the Contractor shall test the entire (full length) joint system for watertight integrity employing a method satisfactory to the Engineer. The entire joint system shall be covered with water, either ponded or flowing, for a minimum duration of 15 minutes. The concrete surfaces under the joint shall be inspected, during this 15 minute period and also for a minimum of 45 minutes after the supply of water has stopped, for any evidence of dripping water or moisture. Water tightness shall be interpreted to be no free dripping water on any surface on the underside of the joint. Patches of moisture shall not be cause for non-acceptance.

Should the joint system exhibit evidence of water leakage, the Contractor shall locate the place(s) of leakage and take all necessary steps to correct the same. The correction shall be done at the Contractor's expense, subject to the same conditions and consequences as the original work.

15 minute period and also for a minimum of 45 minutes after

567-3.02 Armored Joint System with Compression

A. Delivery. The joint system shall be delivered to the work site ready for installation in accordance with the requirements of 567-2.02B1.







Half Time Entertainment

Questions to Ponder

If you throw a cat out of the car window, does it become kitty litter?

Questions to Ponder

Why do we say something is out of whack?
What is a whack?

Questions to Ponder

You can be overwhelmed and underwhelmed,
but why can't you be simplywhelmed?

Questions to Ponder

What do people in China call their good plates?

Questions to Ponder

Do Roman paramedics refer to IVs as "Fours"?

Questions to Ponder

If a bunch of cats jump on top of each other, is it still called a dog pile?

Questions to Ponder

When French people swear, do they say "pardon my English?"

Batching of UHPC

Batching

- Can Be Mixed by:
 - Small Portable Mixers *
 - Batch Plant Mixers
 - Ready-Mix Trucks
- The higher the energy of the mixer, the faster the mixing occurs
 - Mixing is critical path, so pay attention !!!

Batching

- Ready Mix Truck
 - Long Duration Mixing
 - Maybe 30-40 minutes per load
- Most Common
 - Onsite Portable – 13 cubic feet per batch
 - Each batch 10-15 minutes
 - Deployed in pairs, so new $\frac{1}{2}$ yd load every 5-7 minutes

Batching Warning

- During Mixing UHPC is thicker than conventional concrete
- Too big of a batch can bend mixer arms or burn out motor, etc.
- Fibers will ball up if you put them in too fast or if you put in too many
 - 2% is normal
 - 130 lbs per 1/2 yard batch

Shot Clock After Batching

- Can be workable up to an hour or more
- Very dependent on air temperature, concrete temperature, wind, sun
- Need to keep agitating the mix if you want it to be workable for a longer duration
- If left exposed to adverse weather conditions:
 - Surface dehydration – very little water to start with
 - “Elephant Skin” forms on surface with still fluid UHPC underneath

Need Batch Plant Close to Pour Area



Iowa Project
Need 6-7 guys for batching
15-20 minutes per batch







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Nebraska Project





Ductal

Ductal

STANDARD BAGS 50 LBS
NET WEIGHT
50 LBS (22.7 kg)

Micro Steel Fibers
25kg
0.20mm x 12mm



LAFARGE

Ductal

premix grey / mélange gris



DANGER

CORROSIVE / CORROSIF
TOXIC / TOXICITE CHRONIQUE

50 lbs / 23 kg

MOISTURE RESISTANT BAG
KEEP BAG DRY PRIOR TO USE
RESISTANT A L'HYGROSCOPICITE
GARANTIR LE S&U AU SEC
COURA L'EMPLOI

Micro Steel Fibers
25kg
0.20mm X 14mm

55 LBS





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NORTH AMERICA

CHRYSO® Fluid Premia 150

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POST AID:

ASTM C-494 Type A and F, High Range Water Reducer

SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS: Read Before Use
CAUTION! MAY CAUSE IRRITATION

Irritant - Sensitizer - May cause respiratory, skin and eye irritation

Precautionary Measures:

- Avoid contact with eyes, skin and clothing
- Wash thoroughly after handling
- Avoid breathing vapors
- Use with adequate ventilation

DISCHARGE AND DISPOSAL:

According to EPA(40CFR 261.3) waste of this product is not defined as hazardous. Dispose of waste in accordance with all applicable local, state and federal regulations. In case of spill, collect liquid or solidify liquid with an inert noncombustible material and remove for disposal.

For additional information, refer to MSDS
In case of emergency, call CHEMTREC 1-800-424-9300

FOR INDUSTRIAL USE ONLY.
KEEP OUT OF CHILDREN'S REACH.



DOT

Non-Hazardous
Non-Flammable





Notes on Connection Details



Keep it
Simple

Notes on Connection Details



Lots of Rebar
Equals
Lots of Labor



Epoxy Coating Damage

Steel Congestion – Try to Avoid





Non-contact rebar lap splice

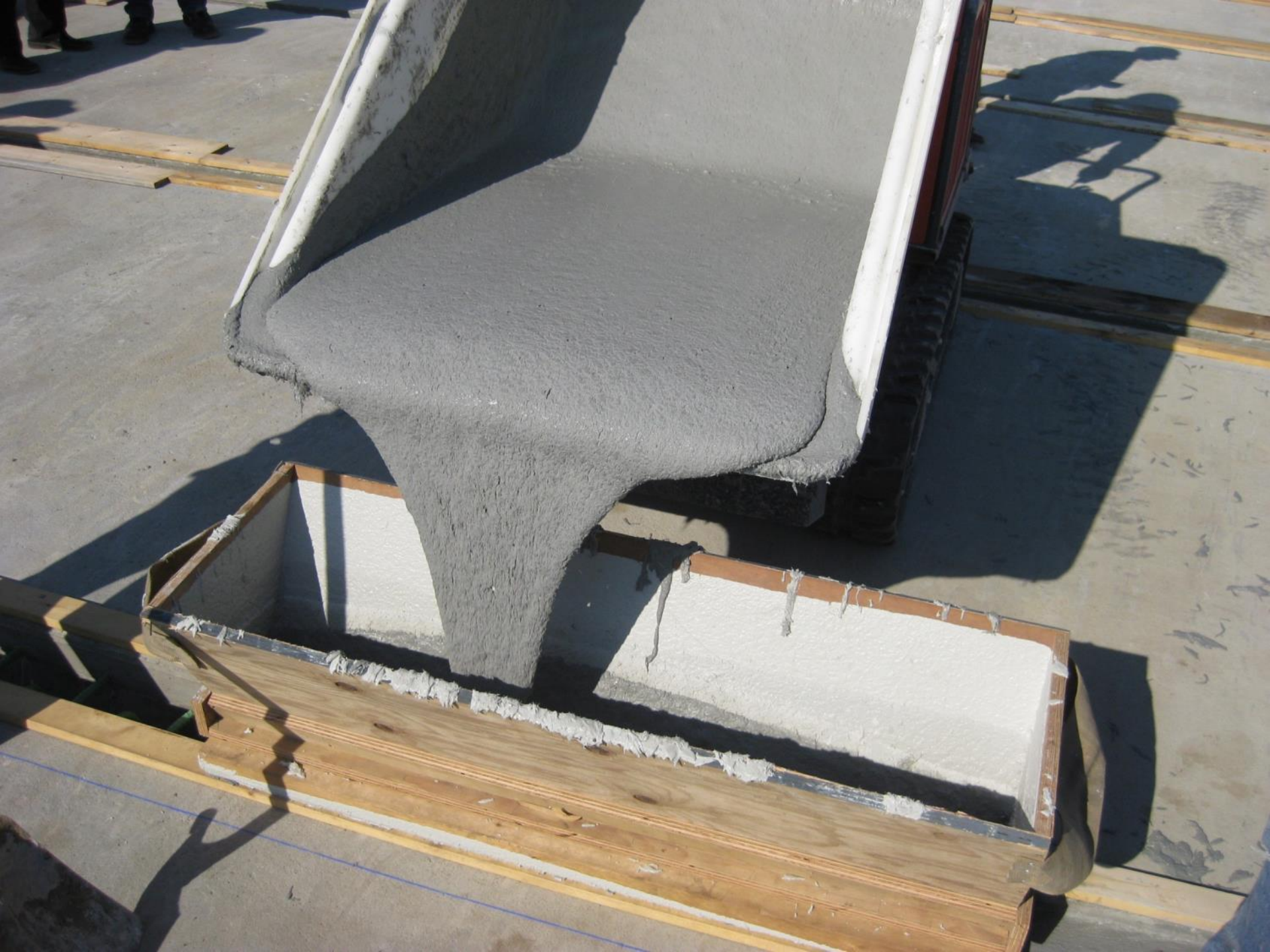


UHPC Placement



Joint Dams







JoyofBlending.com





Narrow Joints - Trough

Wider Joints May Not Need Troughs





Several Troughs Necessary with Several Buggies



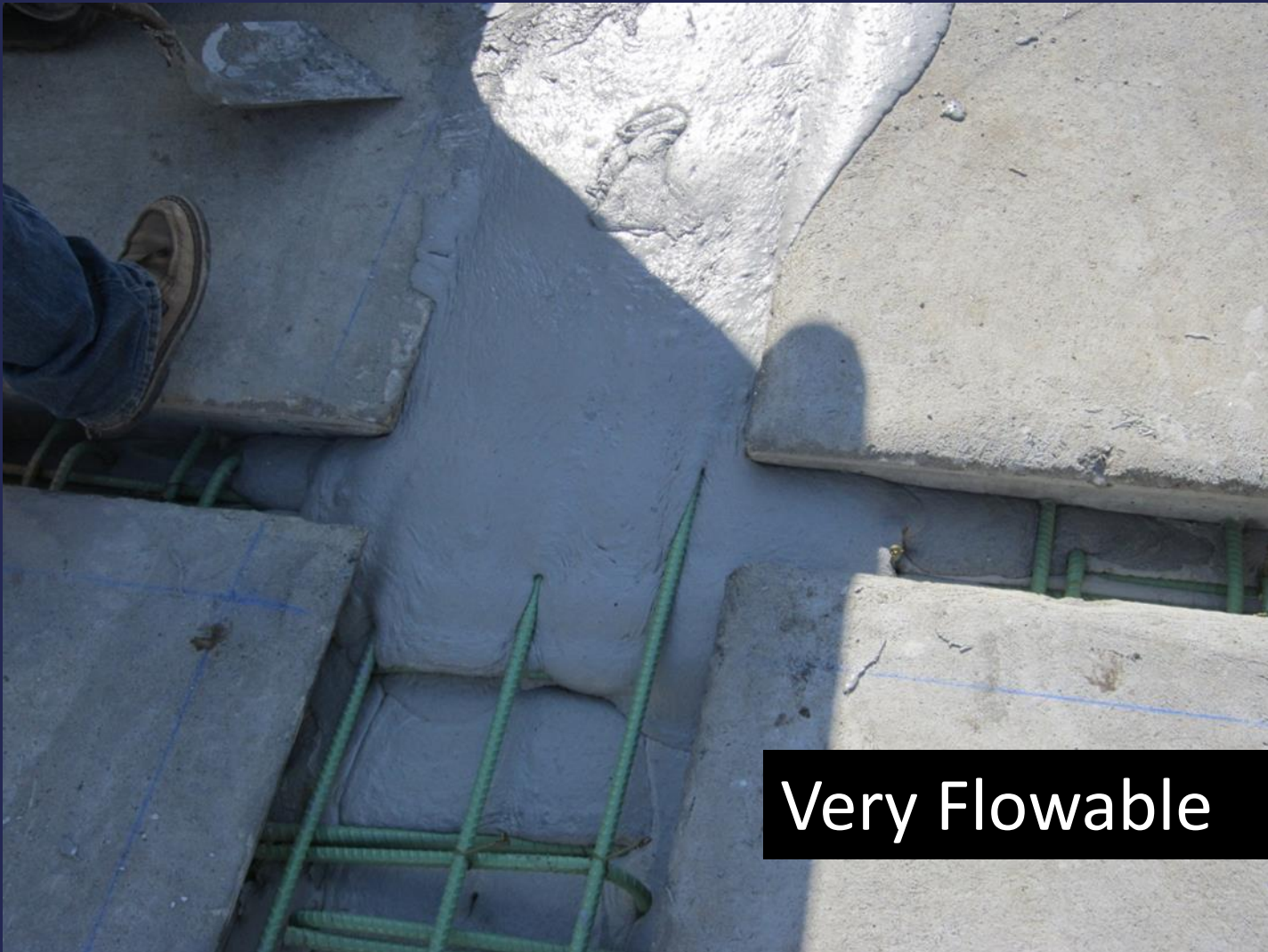






Need for Tight Forms





Very Flowable

Warning: DO NOT VIBRATE - Steel Fibers will Settle



Leak in Forms



2 more joint leaks on East Abutment end

Parapet Closure Pour





Nebraska Placement Method



Chimney and Cover Method









































Aesthetics Concern?

After 5 yrs in service





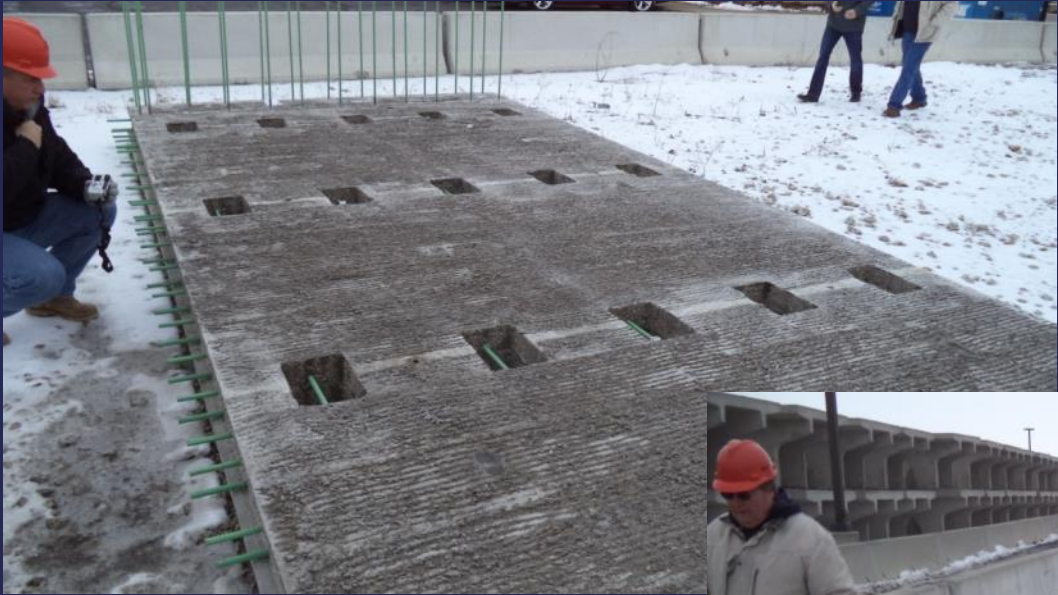


My New Favorite Porto Potty Name

Turd Toters
Pumping
&
Portables
712-527-9445

Illinois's First UHPC Project

- Peoria Street Bridge at the Circle Interchange
– Downtown Chicago
- Contract: 60W29
- Structure Number: 016-1708
- Letting: 02/28/2014



Illinois' First UHPC Project

- Status
 - Maybe about 40 of 52 panels are fabricated
 - Currently scheduled to be delivered to project in late March
- UHPC work not expected until May/June

Every Day Counts Initiative (EDC 3)



EDC-3 Innovations (2015-2016)



EDC-3 Overview Video



3D Engineered Models



e-Construction



eNEPA and IQED



GRS-IBS



Railroad Coordination



Regional Models of Cooperation



Road Diets



Smarter Work Zones



Stakeholder Partnering



Ultra-High Performance Concrete Connections



Data-Driven Safety Analysis



Illinois DOT / FHWA EDC3 Deployment Team

- Dan Brydl – Co-Chair
- Gary Kowalski – IDOT Bridge Office – Co-Chair
- Other Team Members: TBD



STIC Incentive Funding

- **Up to \$100,000 per State per fiscal year**
- **Peer Exchanges**
- **Scanning Tours**
- **Computer Software**
- **Equipment**
- **Not for research, but for deployment of ready-to-go technologies**



FHWA "Accelerated Innovation Deployment" (AID) Demonstration program

- Rolling Grant Applications
- No annual call for candidates
- Team assembles and evaluates as candidates come in
- States apply directly to grants.gov
- Up to \$1,000,000
- \$36 million total program - ongoing until funds run out
- \$13.371 million distributed to 20 projects to date



IDOT Funding

- **\$4 million to be applied to ABC/PBES**
- **Just need suitable candidates**



FHWA UHPC Website

- <https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/research/resources/uhpc/>
- Web Search: **UHPC FHWA**
- *Overview, Research Projects, Bridges, Publications*



UHPC Resources



Design and Construction of Field-Cast UHPC Connections (HRT-14-084)



UHPC State-of-the-Art (HRT-13-060)



UHPC Memo (Feb 12, 2014)



Deployment Activities

- Webinars
- Workshops
- Conferences
- Peer Exchanges
- Project Showcases



- Online technical assistance service
- Online shared project review service



Activities



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National Deployment Goals

- **100 UHPC/PBE projects under design/construction**
- **25 UHPC/PBE projects mobility impact < 3 weeks**
- **25 State DOTs to be fully implemented**
- **50 Projects in the National UHPC Project Exchange**



Projects



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National Deployment Goals

- State - *fully implemented*
 - Adopt *UHPC Specification* and/or *UHPC Design Criteria* as part of your BDM
 - 2-4 projects: constructed or under design
 - 1 project: mobility impact < 3 weeks
 - 2 projects: National UHPC Project Exchange



Projects



Summary

- Promising Technology
- Price is high right now
- No concerns about Buy America or Sole Source anymore
 - Many States using non-proprietary performance-based specs requiring qualification testing

Summary

- Practical Considerations
 - For non-overlay decks, overfill joints by $\frac{1}{4}$ " , then grind
 - Pre-wet panels to SSD – CRITICAL
 - Leak proof forms are essential – highly flowable
 - Communication between UHPC supplier and contractor is key

Questions ????

