

# San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge

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## Connection of the Oakland Touchdown Structures and Skyway at Hinge E

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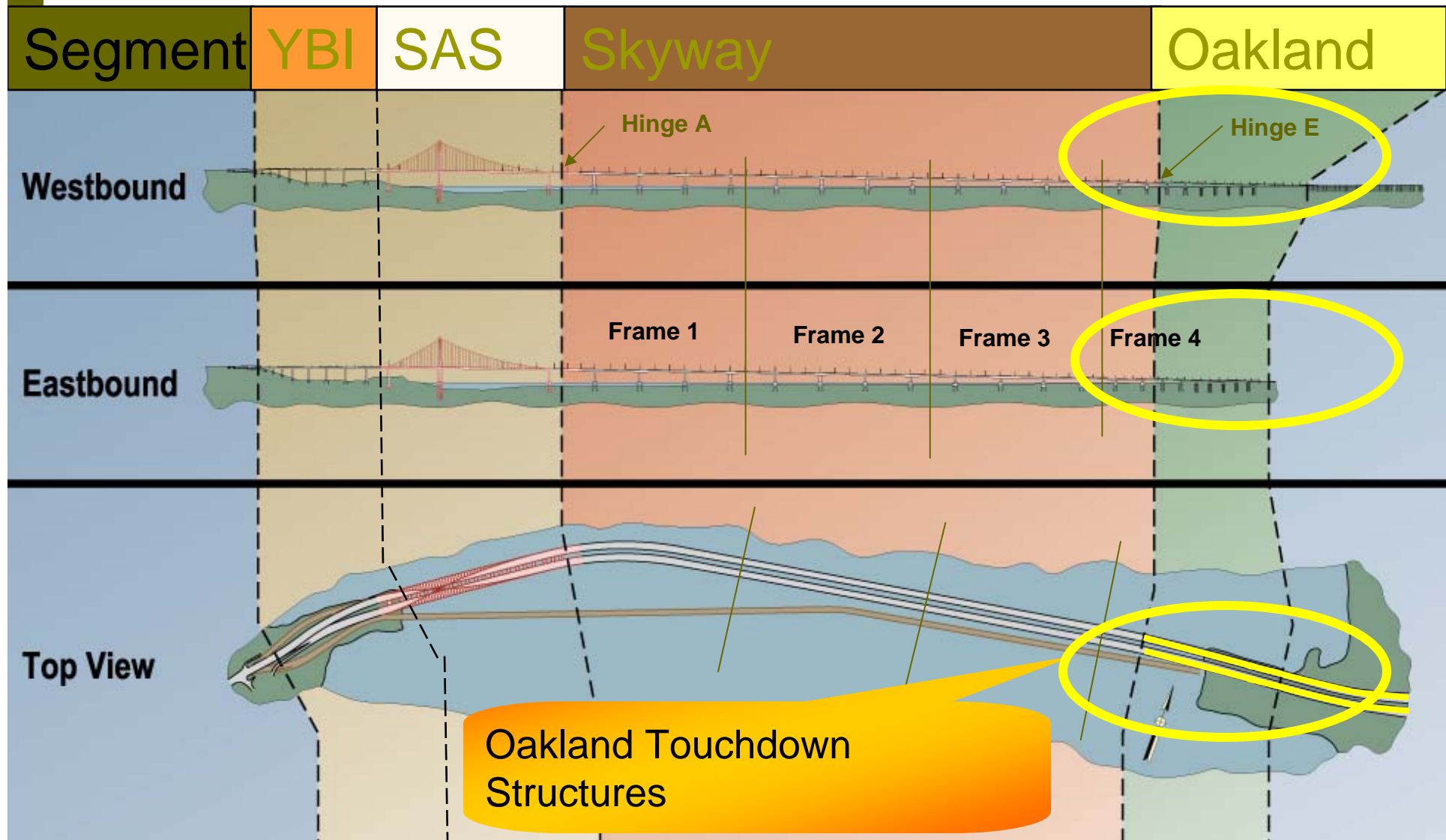
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# Project Structures Design Team

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- AECOM/LAN
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# Oakland Touchdown Structures (OTD)

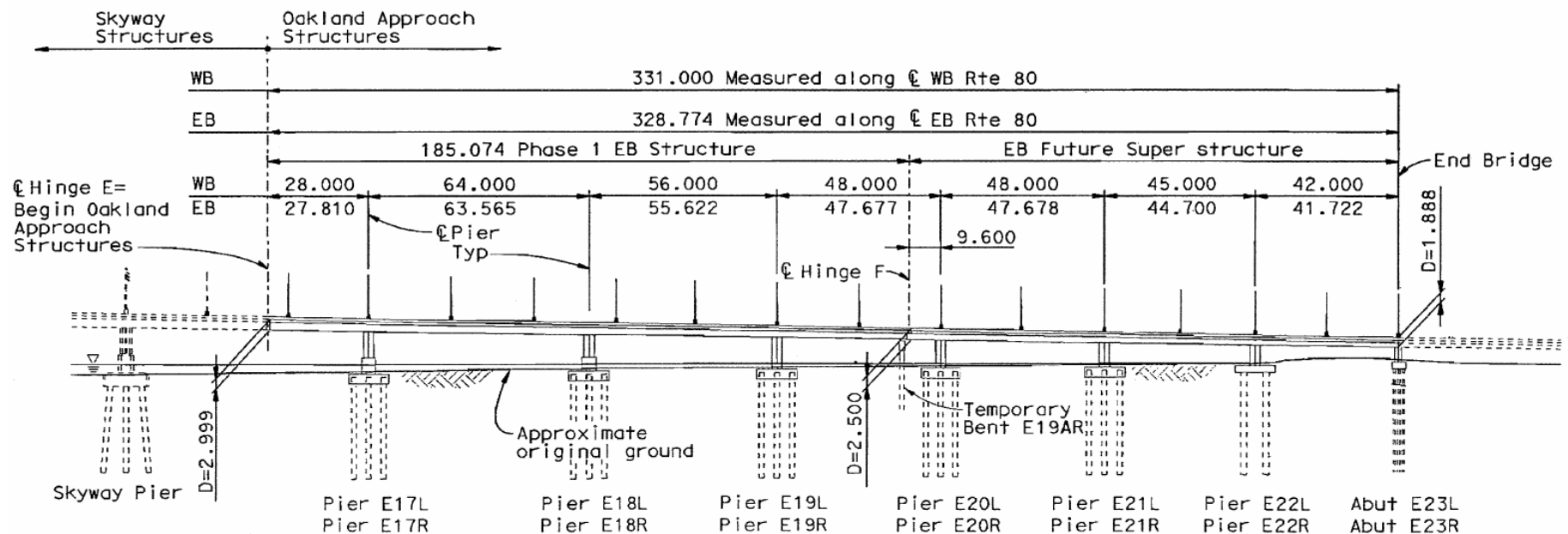


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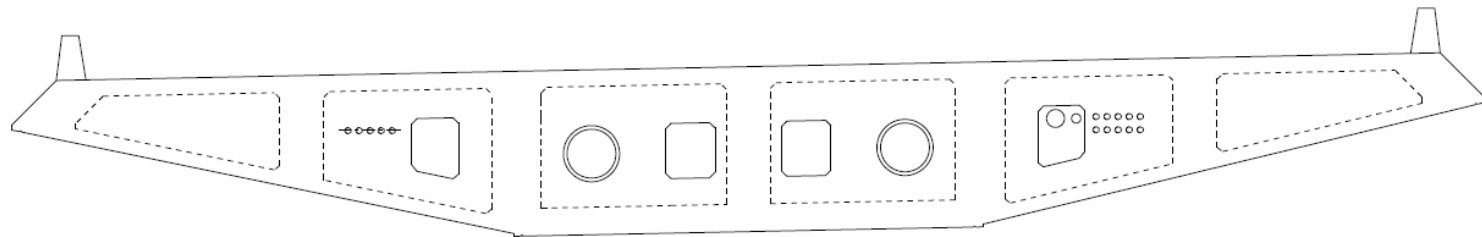
- 2 Parallel Structures:
  - WB Structure (PBS&J, WKE, & IDC)
  - EB Structure (AECOM/LAN)
- Cast-in-place Prestressed Concrete Box Girder
- 7-Span, 2-Frame



# Hinge E – Design Challenges

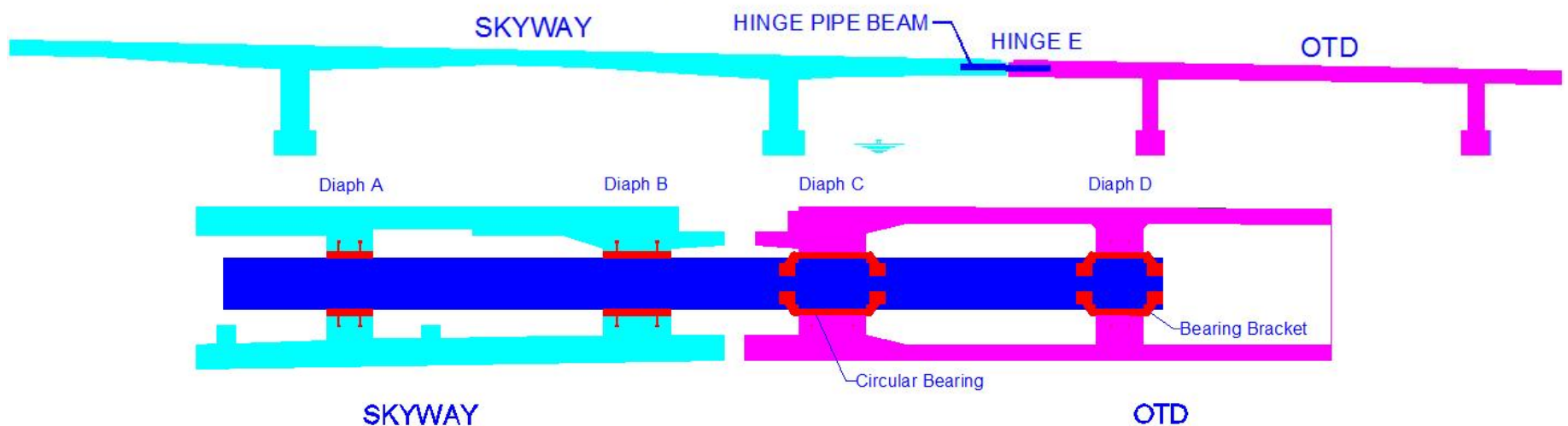
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- ❑ Connecting 2 Different Structure Systems
- ❑ Constructed at Different Time
- ❑ Time Dependent Loss Analysis
- ❑ Limited Cross Section Area



# Hinge E

- Connects 2 Structures with Pipe Beam
  - Hinge at Mid-span
  - Different structure types = different behaviors
  - Connected with steel pipe beam
    - Cantilever for DL
    - Continuous for LL





# Hinge E

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- Connect Aged Precast Segmental Box to New CIP Box
  - East end of Skyway was completed 3 years ago
  - Skyway supported on temporary towers with 4 jacks





# Hinge E

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- Time Dependent Loss Analysis to Determine Camber
  - Accurate analytical modeling
    - Short Term Deflection at Connection Time for Hinge Pipe Beam Installation
    - Long Term Deflection to determine the loading on the Hinge Pipe Beam
  - Post Design Camber Verification

# Camber Estimation Parameters

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## 1. Variation in Material Properties

- Test concrete mix design to determine
  - Compressive Strength
  - Density
  - Creep and Shrinkage
  - Modulus of Elasticity

## 2. Construction Loadings/Falsework

- Including actual form works and construction equipment loading
- Obtain settlement value from the Contractor

# Camber Estimation Parameters

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## 3. Construction Schedule

- Work closely with the Contractor to determine realistic construction schedule

## 4. Skyway Deflection

- Jacks supporting the Skyway were released to survey the Skyway elevation

# Camber Adjustment Allowance

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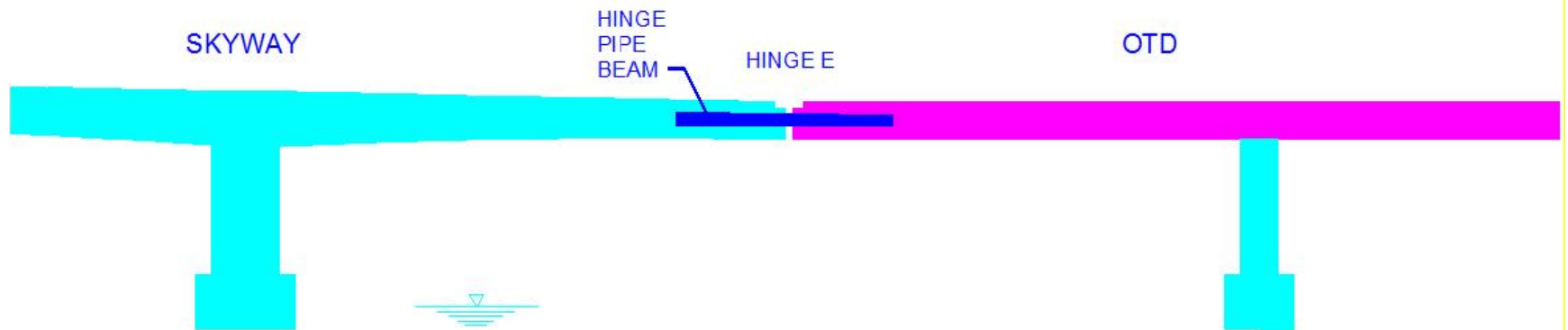
- Adjustment Allowance
  - Superstructure can be jacked up or weighed down to line up with Skyway, if necessary

# Hinge E Construction Sequence

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## □ Construction Sequence

- Release Skyway jacks to establish elevation
- Construct OTD superstructure to required camber
- Post tension OTD frame (35 days delay)
- Release falsework except for OTD temporary tower
- Align OTD with Skyway, if necessary
- Finish installation of pipe beam



# Hinge-E Key Analysis Items

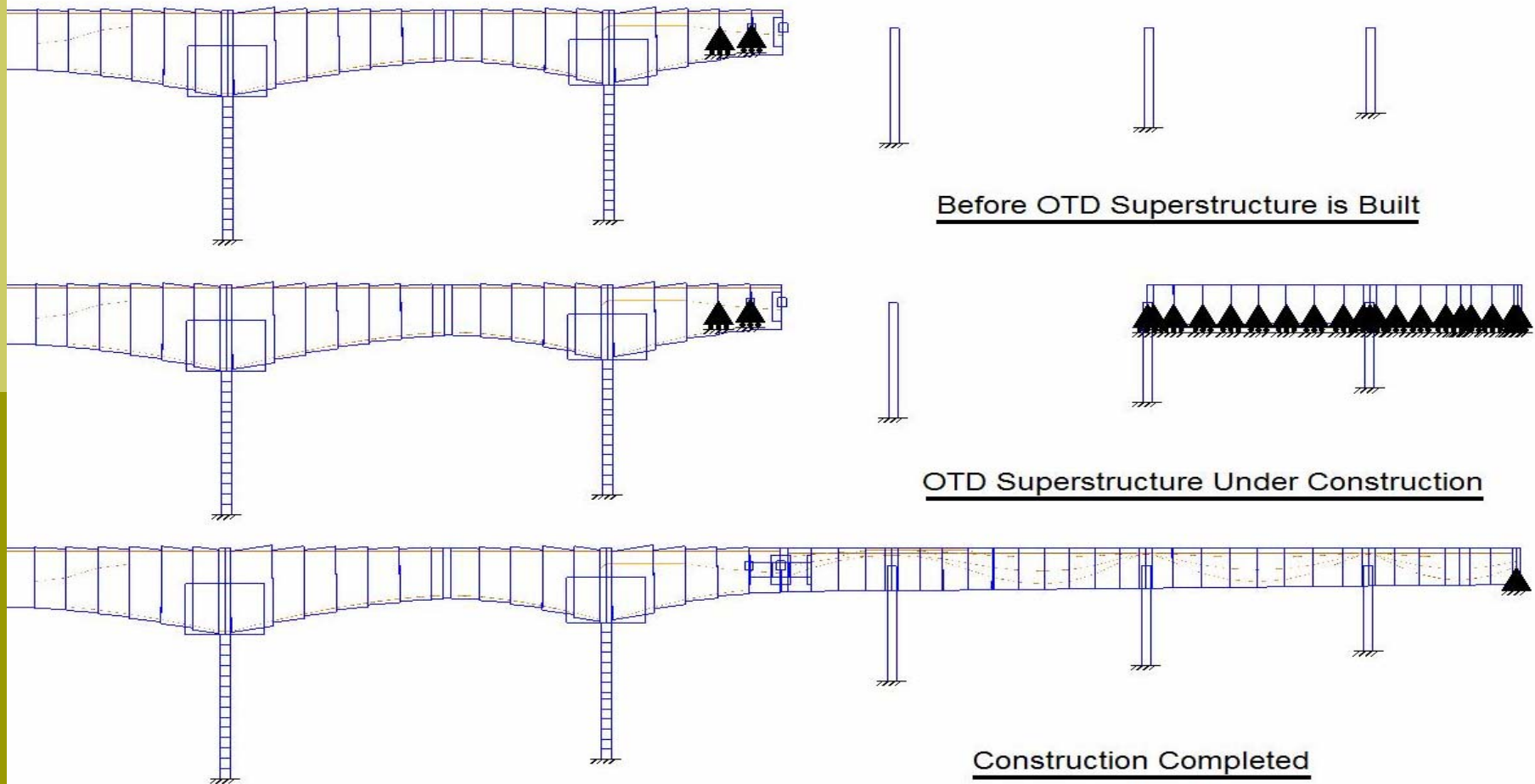
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- OTD Hinge-E Deflection When P/S Is Completed
- OTD Hinge-E deflection When Hinge Pipe Beams Are Going To Be Connected
- OTD Hinge-E Deflection After P/S Long Term Losses (20yrs)
- Pipe Beam Forces After OTD Connected With Skyway
- Hinge-E Diaphragm Forces Due to Pipe Beam Reaction

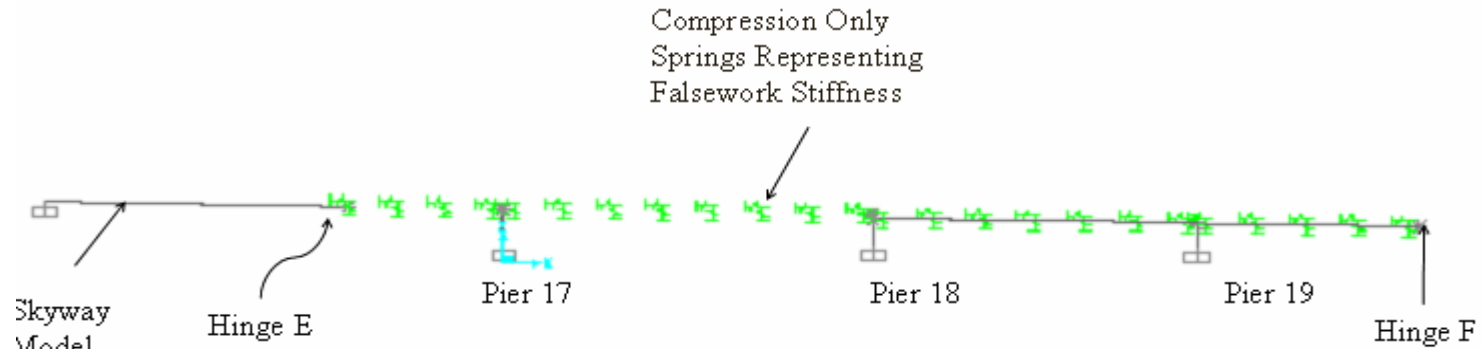


# Analysis Model

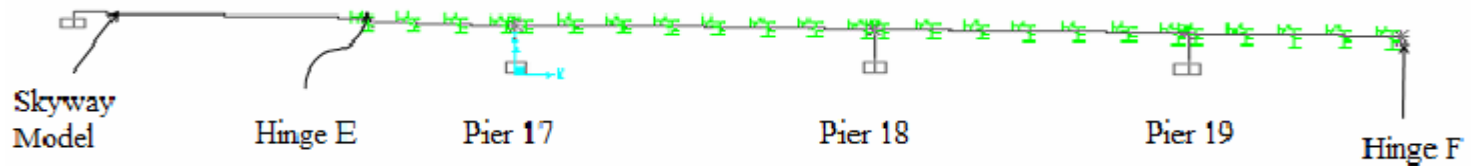
- Stage by Stage Time Dependent Analysis Based on Construction Schedule



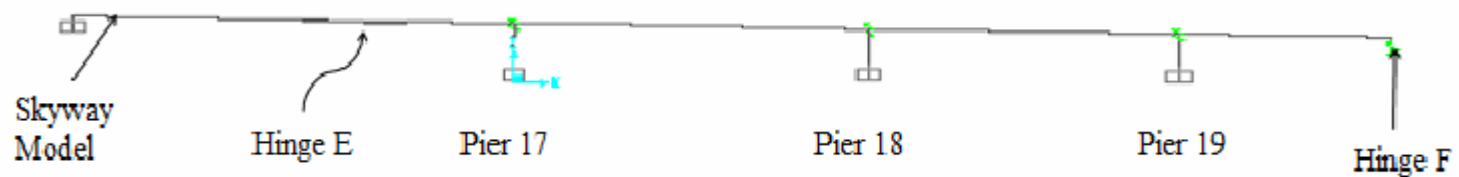
# Analysis Model



Pour Spans 16 & 17



Pour Spans 18 & 19



Construction Completed

# Analysis Model

- Model Geometry and Load Validation per Linear Elastic Dead Load Analysis

## Hinge-E DL Deflection & Moment at P17 Comparison between Adapt & BDS Analysis Results

Program	Case	Def at Hinge-E				M at P17			
		Try-0 (ft)	Try-0 (mm)	Try-1 (ft)	Try-1 (mm)	Try-0 (k-ft)	Try-0(KN-m)	Try-1 (k-ft)	Try-1(KN-m)
Adapt	90k @ tip	0.31	96.14	0.02	6.74	-1.79E+05	-2.43E+05	-2.08E+04	-2.81E+04
BDS	90k @ tip	0.32	96.01	0.02	6.71	-1.79E+05	-2.42E+05	-2.08E+04	-2.81E+04

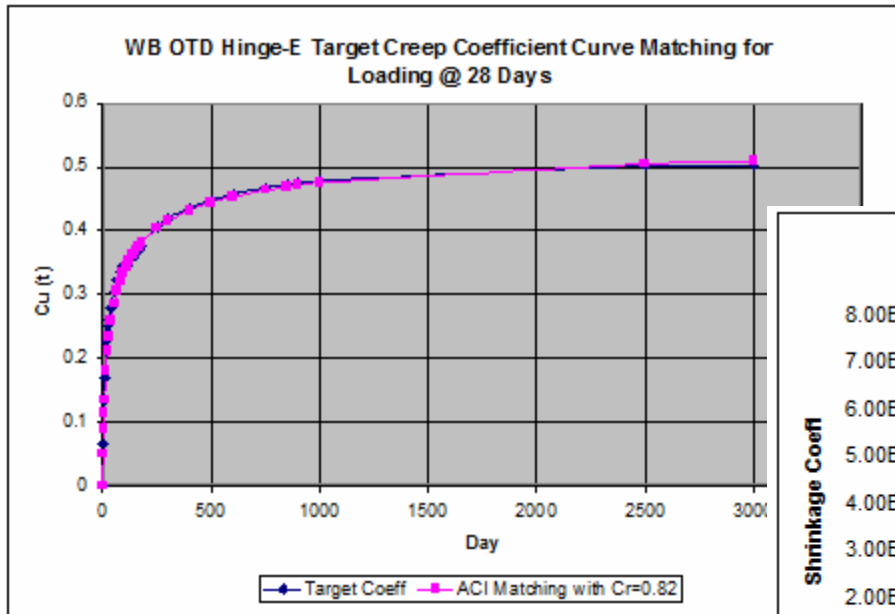
# Analysis Model

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- ❑ Concrete Properties Adjust from Lab Test Data of the Field Concrete Mix
  - Test Data (Test Performed by Prof. Al-Manaseer – SJSU)
    - Concrete cylinder 6in x 12in
    - Relative Humidity = 50%
    - Notional Size = 3"
  - Site Conditions
    - Relative Humidity = 70%
    - Based on Average Section Properties: Notional Size = 14"
  - Adjustment Factors
    - Applied to transform the test results to reflect the actual site conditions

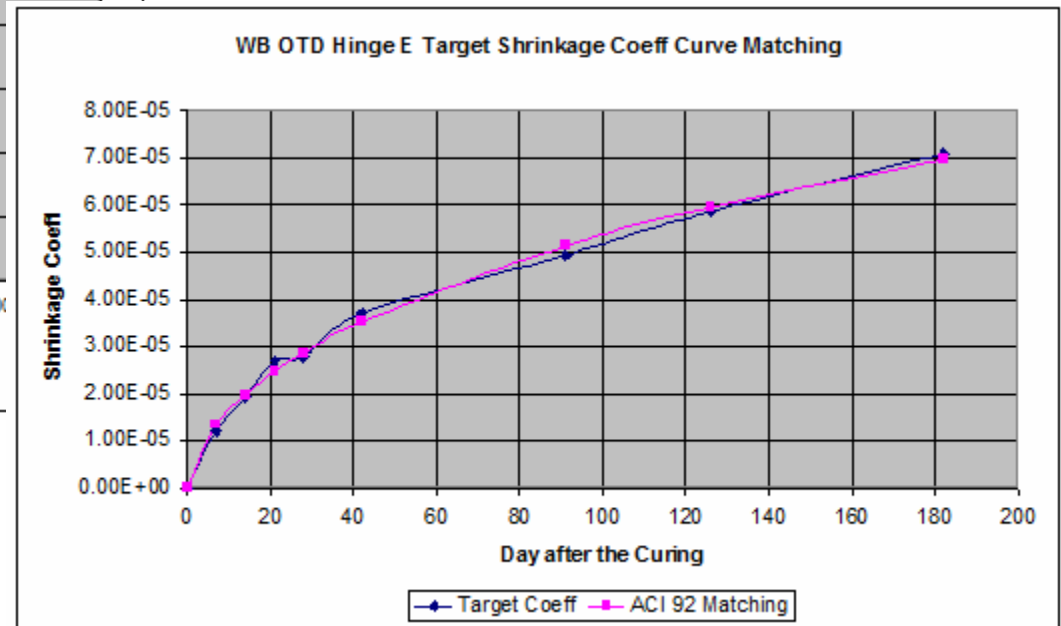
# Analysis Model

- ACI 92 & CEB-90 Time Dependent Concrete Models to Match Adjusted Lab Test Data & Used in the Analysis Model



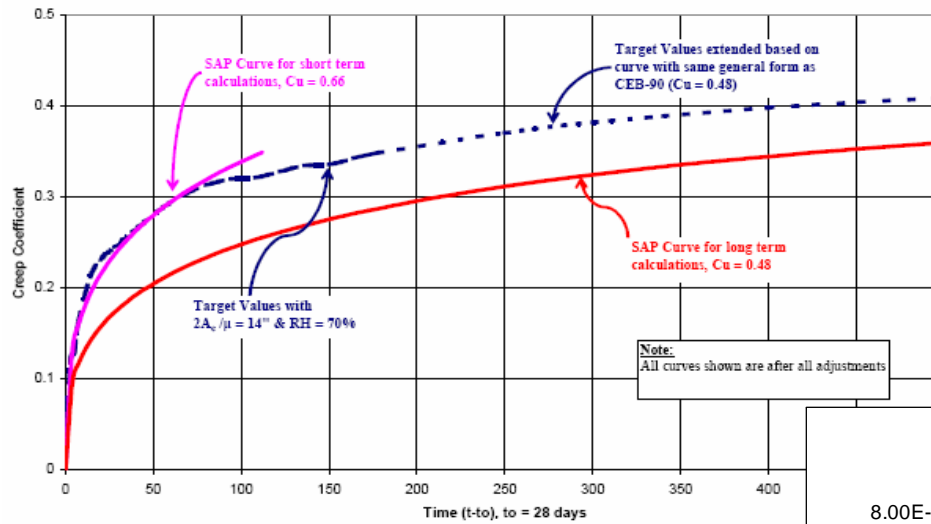
Concrete Creep Coefficient Curves Matching (ACI 92)

## Concrete Shrinkage Coefficient Curves Matching (ACI 92)



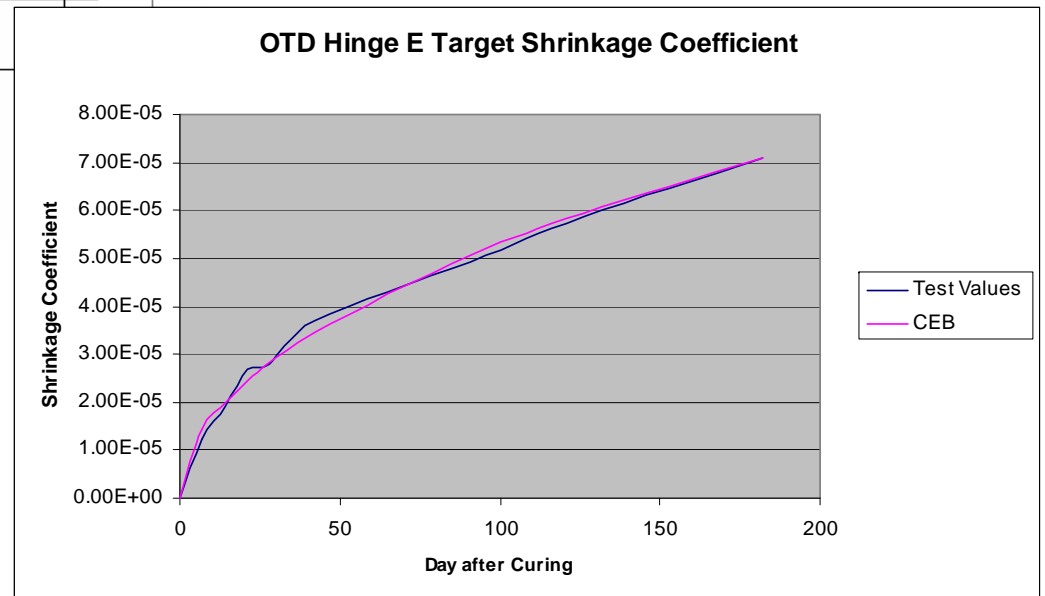
# Analysis Model

OTD Hinge E  
Target Creep Coefficient for Loading at 28 days



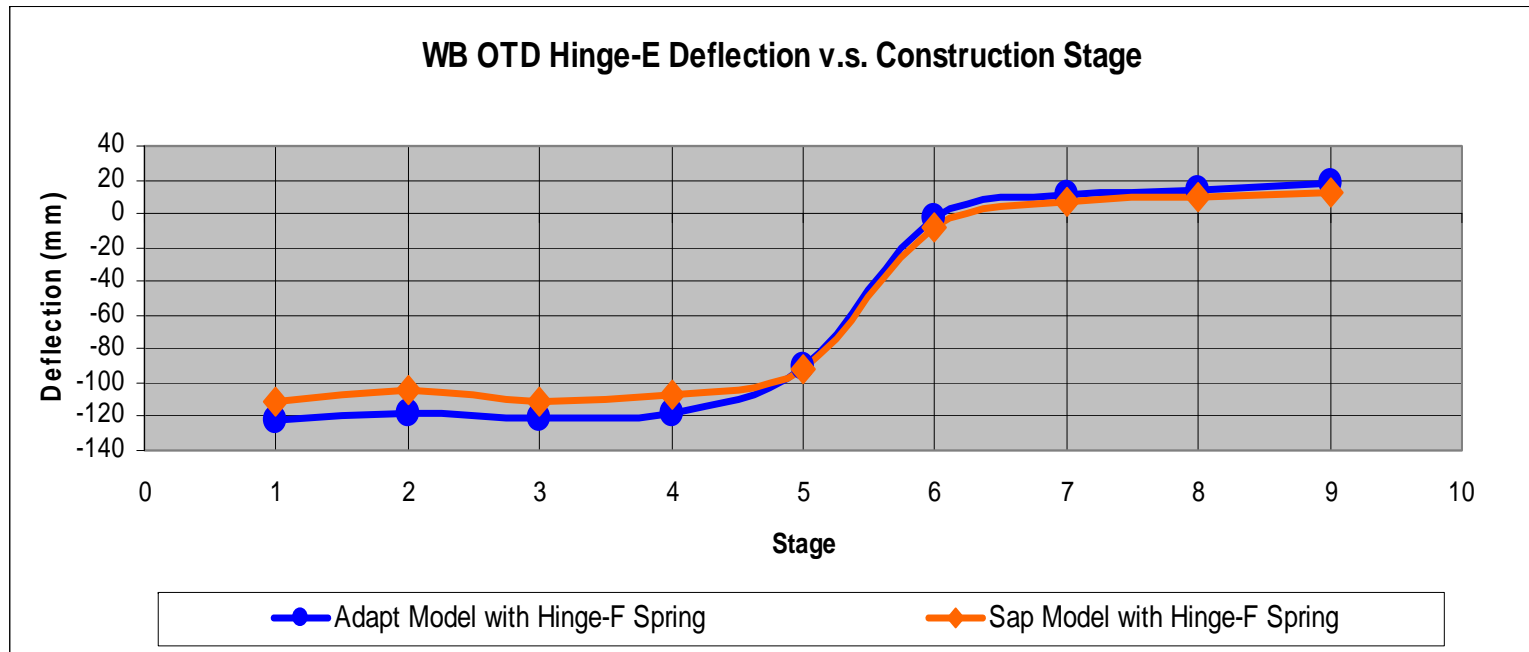
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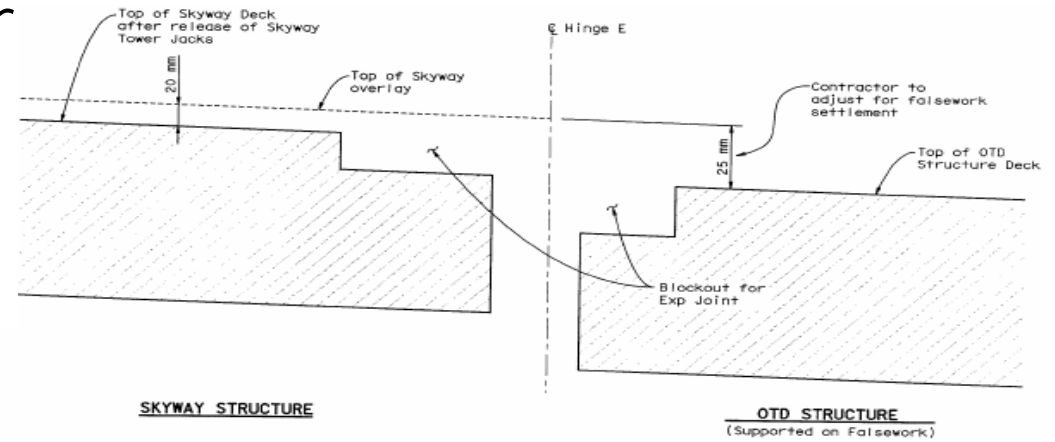


## Stage v.s. Day in Construction

Day	110	110	115	120	127	128	131	135	150
Stage	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Note	Before P/S	Grd 25% P/S	Grd 50% P/S	Grd 75% P/S	Edger Grd 100% P/S	Deck P/S	Grd 100% P/S	Portion ADL Applied	Before Pipe Connect

# Analysis Results

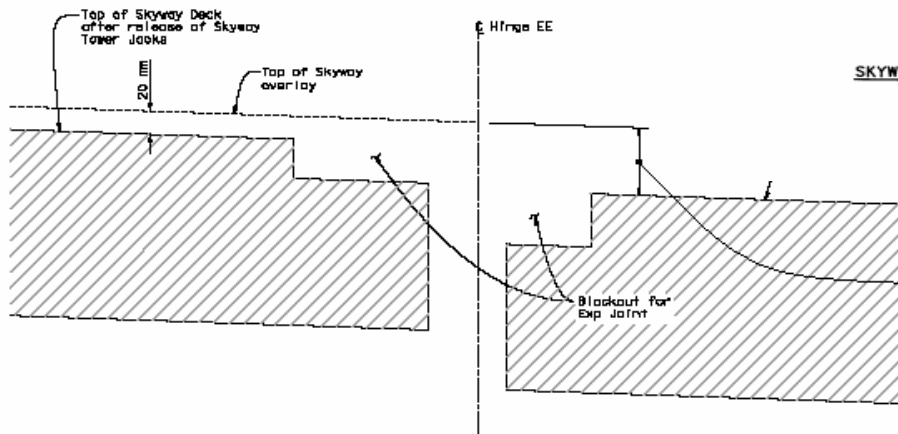
- Hinge-E Deflections - used for determination of the construction camber



SKYWAY STRUCTURE

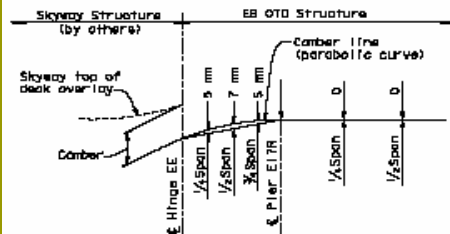
OTD STRUCTURE  
(Supported on Falsework)

WB OTD CAMBER AT HINGE E  
NOT TO SCALE



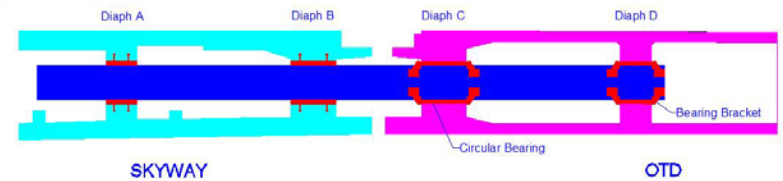
SKYWAY STRUCTURE

EB OTD STRUCTURE  
(Supported on Falsework)



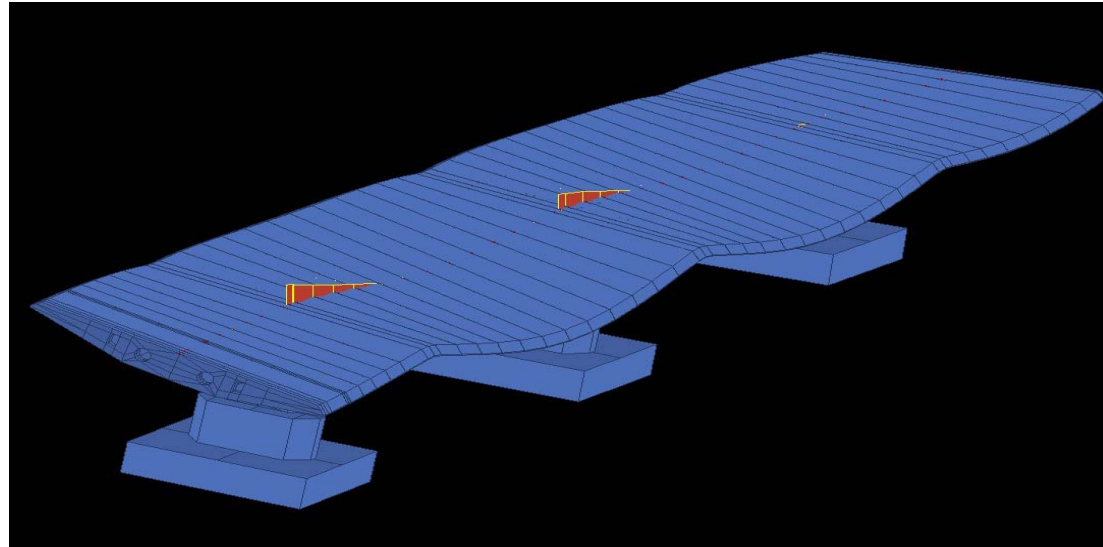
EB OTD CAMBER AT HINGE EE  
NOT TO SCALE

NOTE:  
Just after alignment jacking EB OTD Structure top of deck should be 6 mm higher than top of Skyway overlay. Skyway should rise by this amount when pipe beam is moved into OTD.



# Analysis Results

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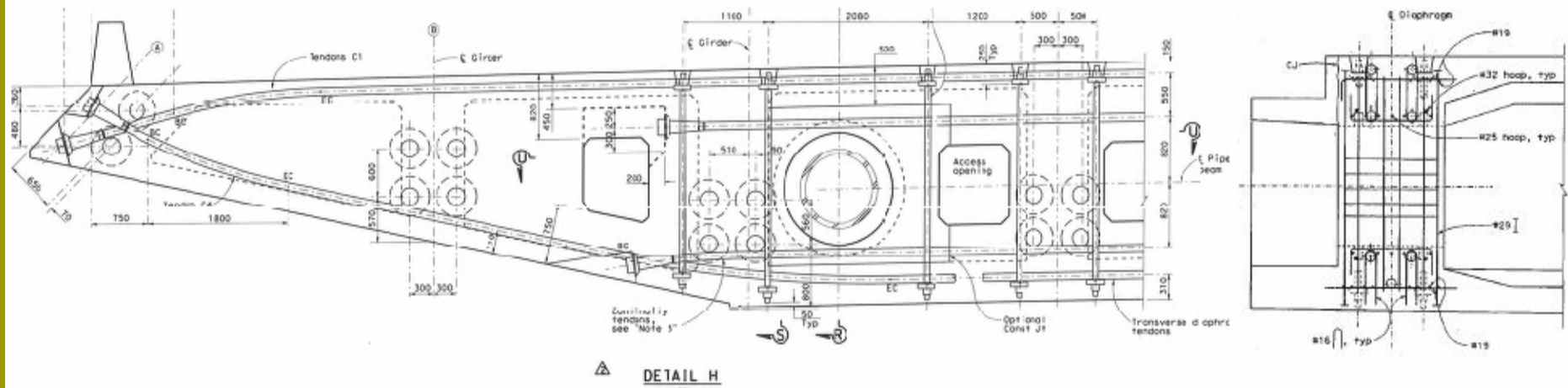
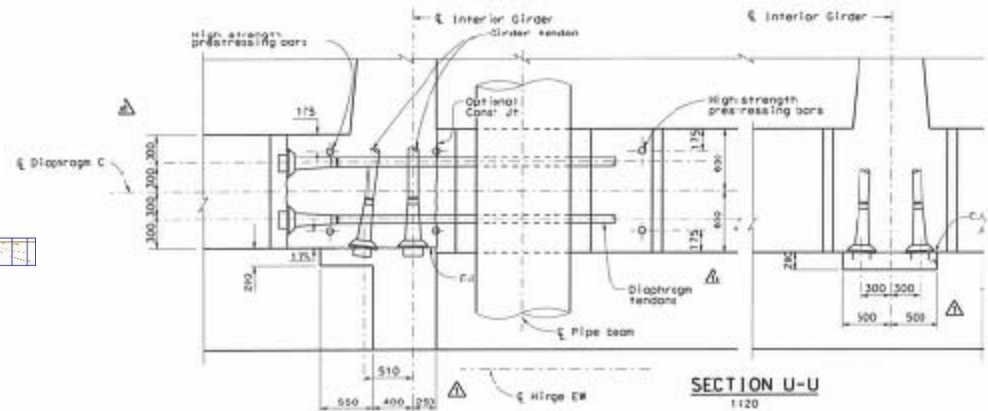
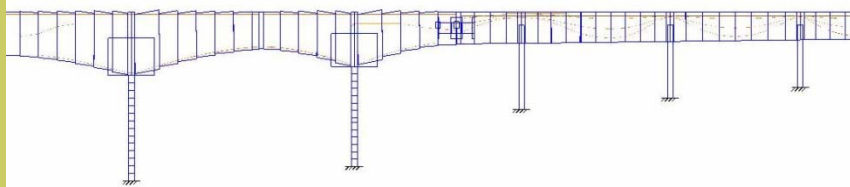


EB OTD Tilted Deflection Due to Bike Lane Loading

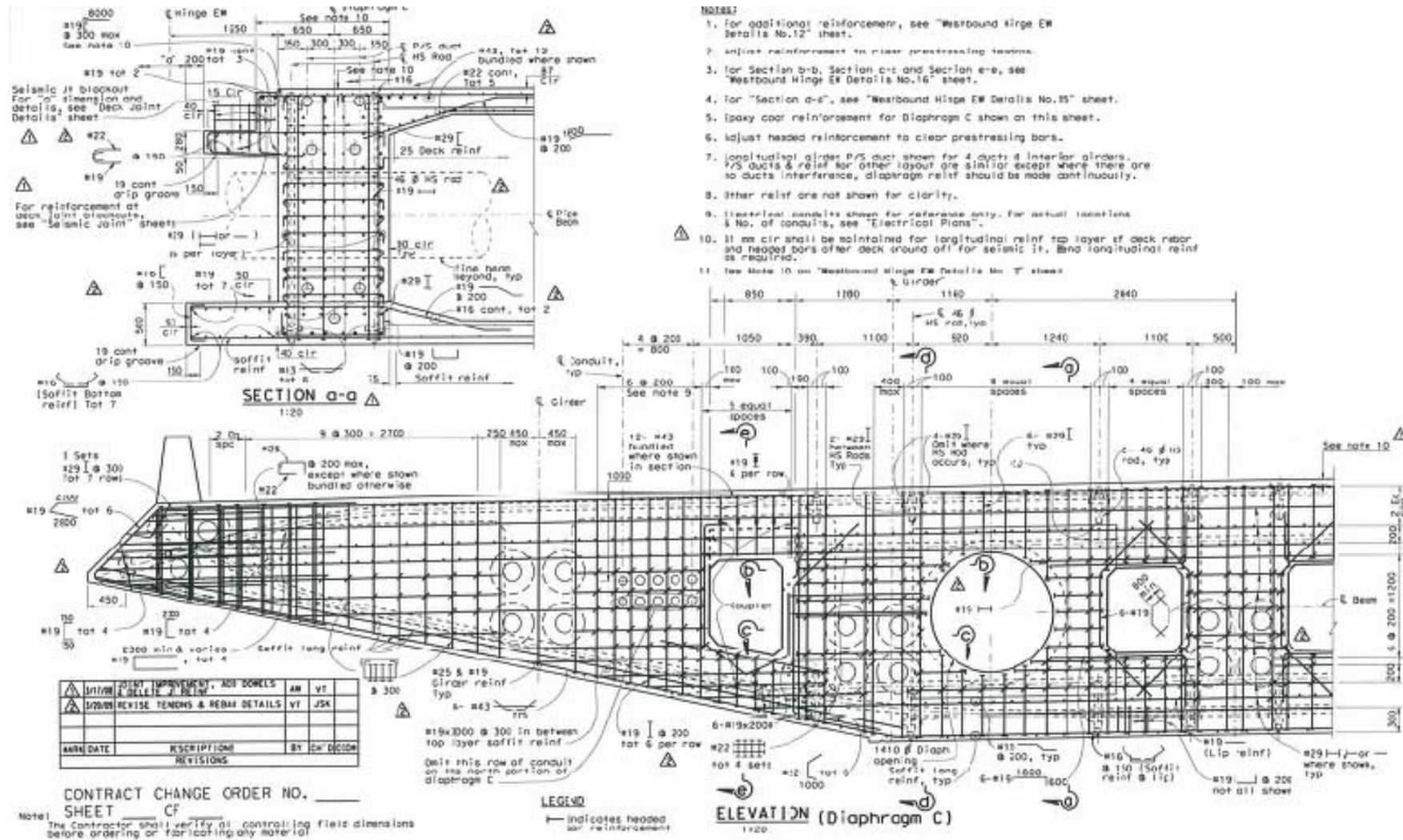
- ❑ Pipe Beam Forces – verified the pipe beam capacity is adequate for field condition
- ❑ Pipe Beam Reaction – for Hinge-E Diaphragm design

# Hinge-E Diaphragm Design

- ❑ Limited Cross Section Area & Member Size
- ❑ Large Concentrated Load
- ❑ Complicated Stresses Distribution
- ❑ 3-way Pre-stressing
- ❑ Detailing



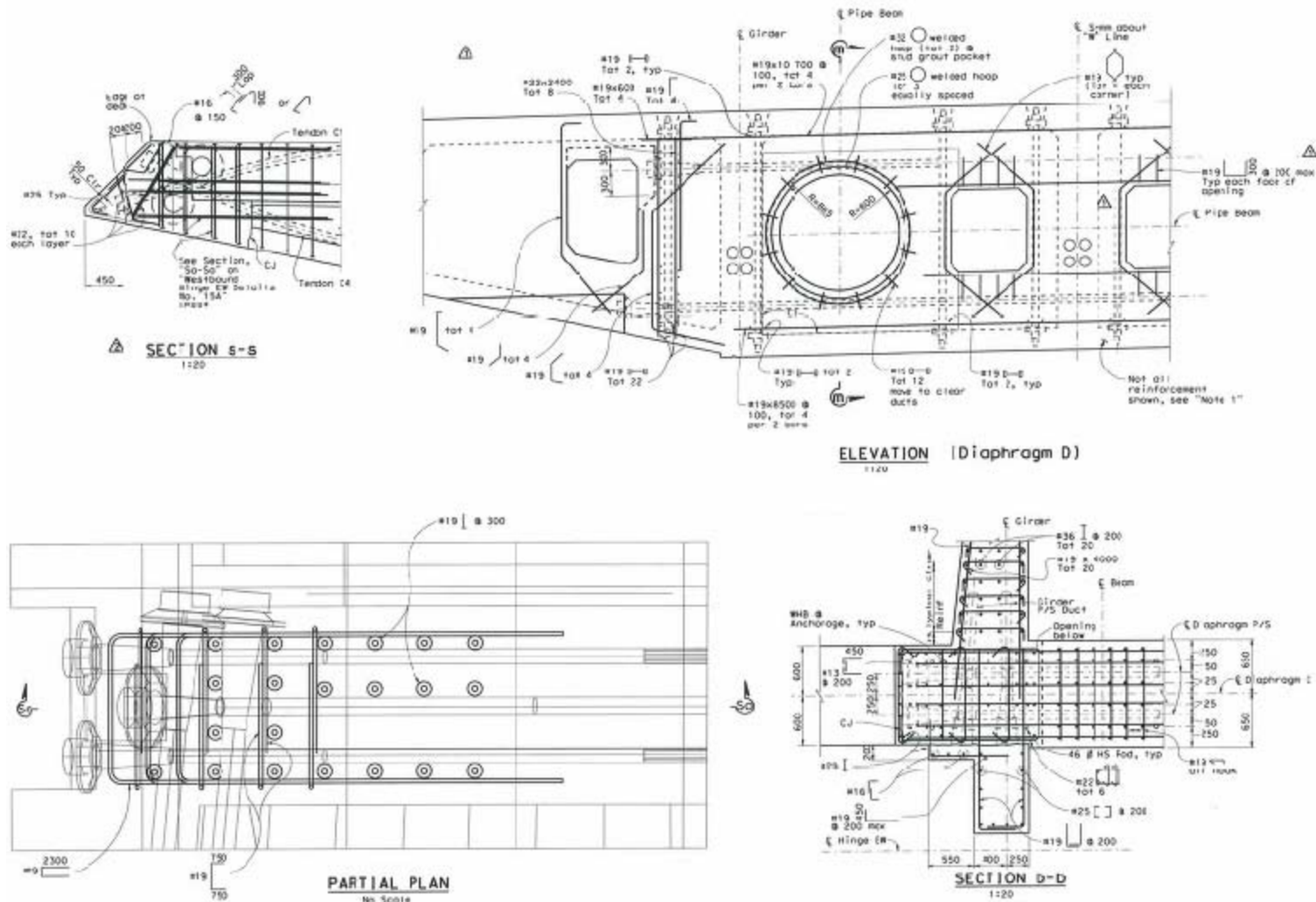
# Hinge-E Diaphragm Design



Partial Diaphragm Detail



# Hinge-E Diaphragm Design





# Conclusion

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- ❑ Pre-cast Segmental & CIP Box Girder mid-span connection hinge is feasible.
- ❑ By special analysis with field test material properties, boundary conditions and carefully scheduled construction stages, a reasonable camber value can be set to enable smooth operation for the pipe hinge beam coupling installation.
- ❑ Aesthetic architectural design effect can be always achieved by thoughtful structural design & detailing

In this case:

- Moment connection at Hinge-E for LL is used to reduce the maximum moment demand at relatively shallower cantilever support
- 3-way P/S is designed to provide maximum section capacities and reduce rebar congestion
- High compressive concrete strength (8.5 ksi) is used to provide compatible compression capacity for matching the large volume of the reinforcement.

**THANK YOU**

**We Also Appreciate  
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