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Coastal Bridge Construction Incorporating Ground Improvement

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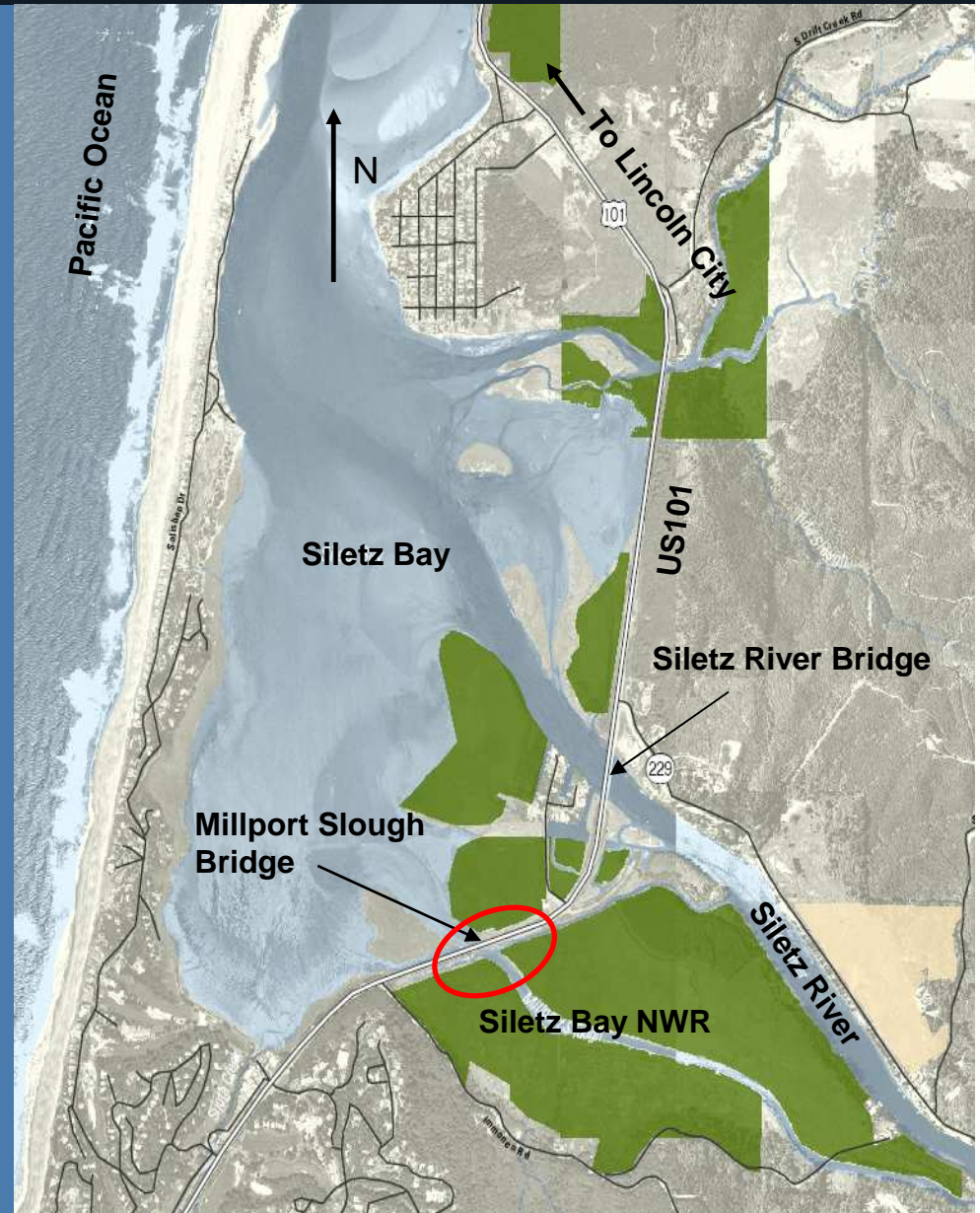
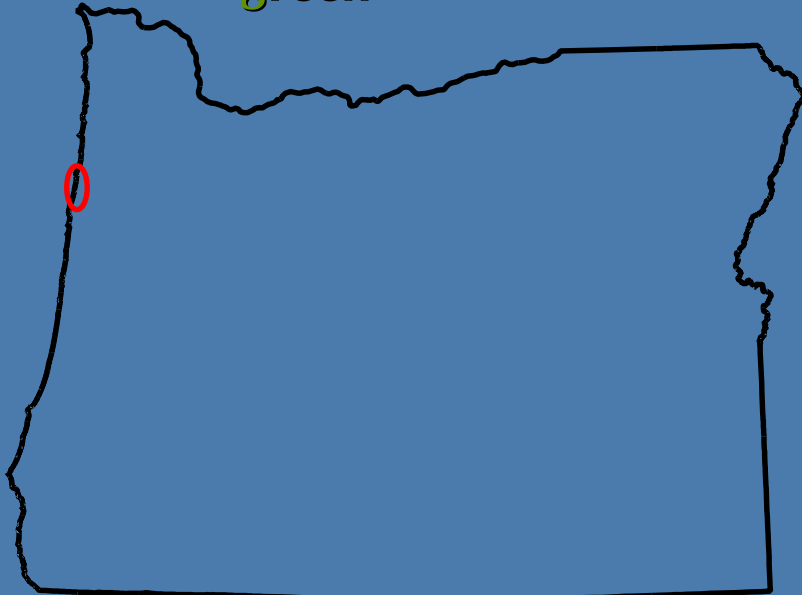
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Location

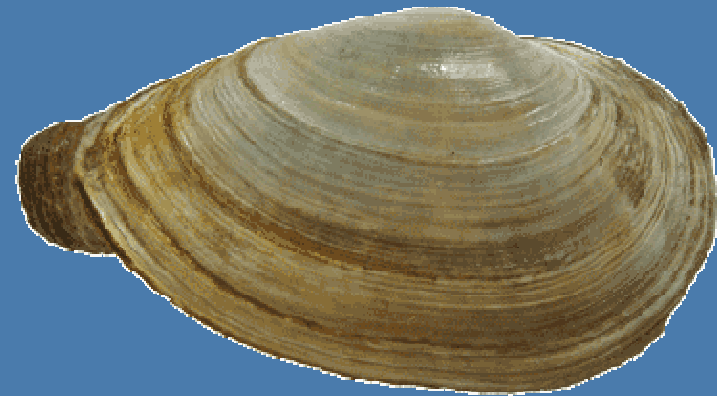
- Oregon Coast Highway US101, MP 120.84
- Lincoln County
- Region 2, Area/District 4
- Siletz Bay National Wildlife Refuge (NWR) in green







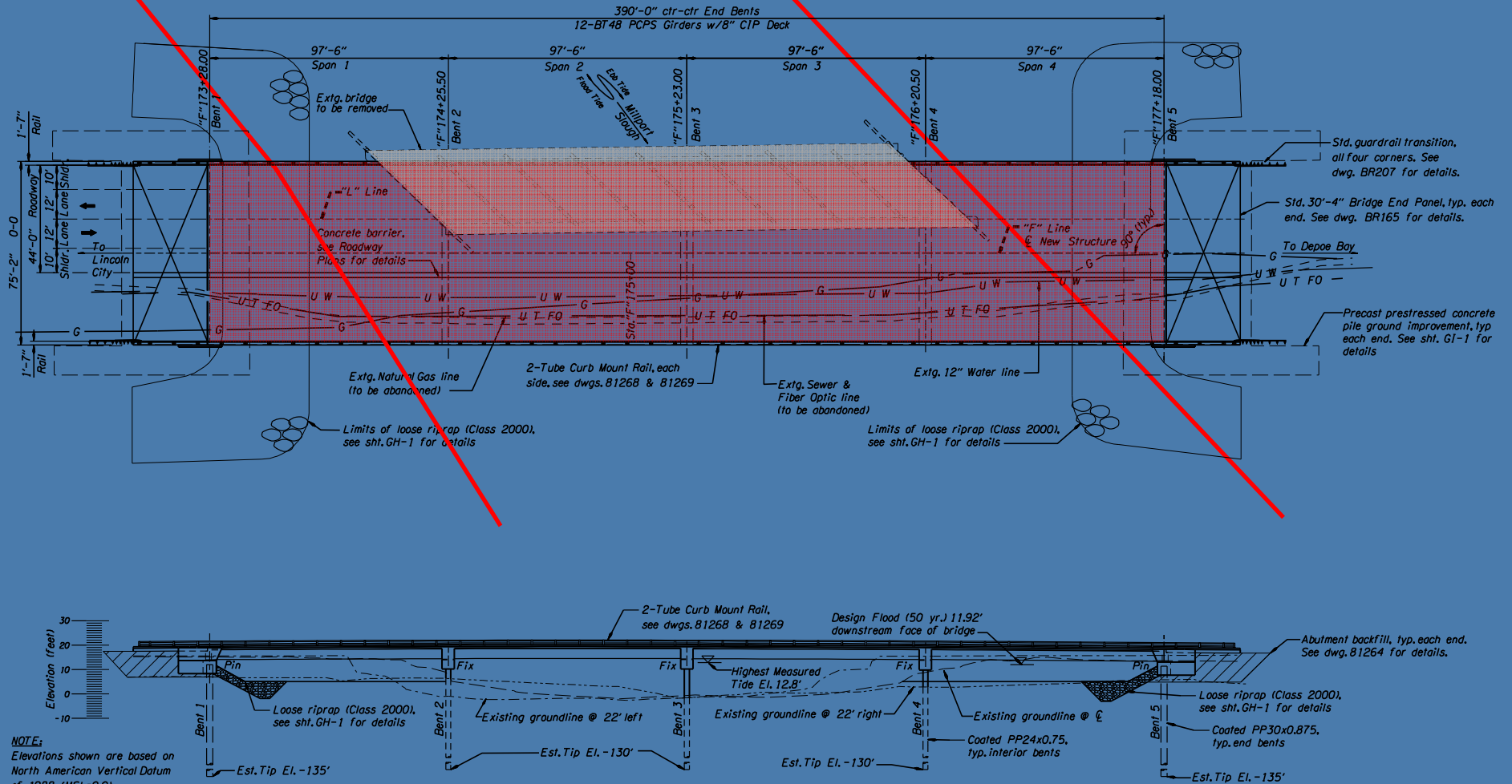
- Siletz Bay National Wildlife Refuge (Tidal estuary)
- Eel grass beds adjacent to bridge construction



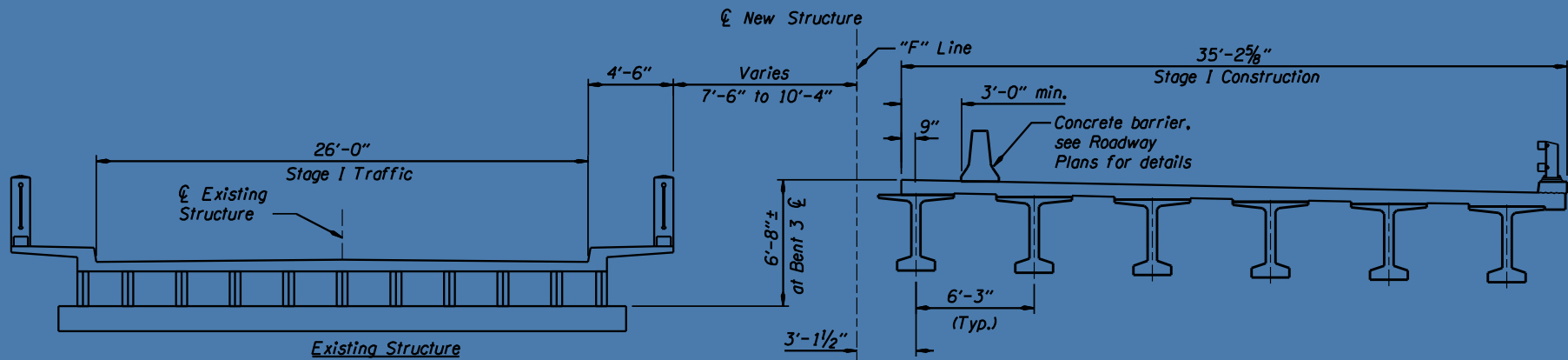
- Shellfish habitat (predominately softshell clams)
- Winter IWWW (Nov. 1 – Feb. 15)
- Increase channel width



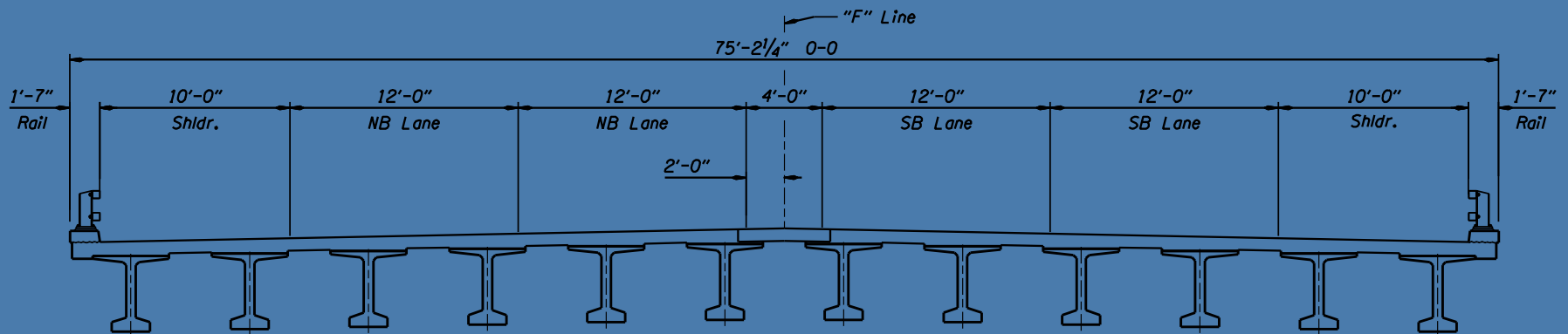
Bridge Plan and Elevation



Bridge Typical Section and Staged Construction



Stage I Construction



Final Future Configuration

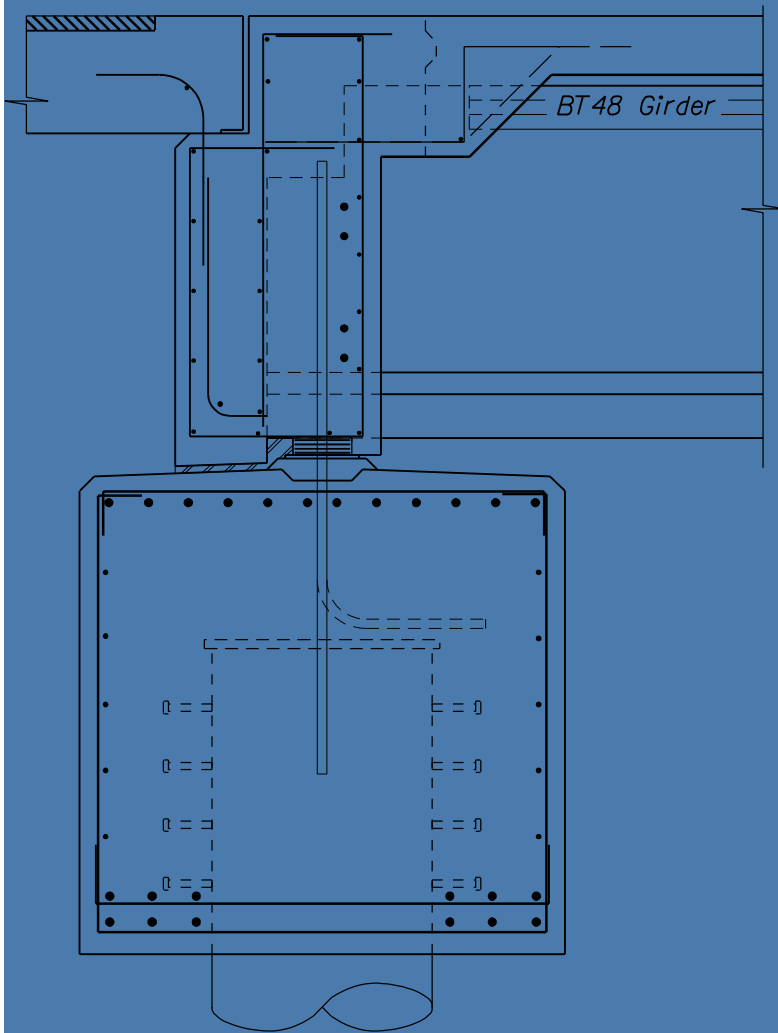


Bridge Construction (Stage 2)



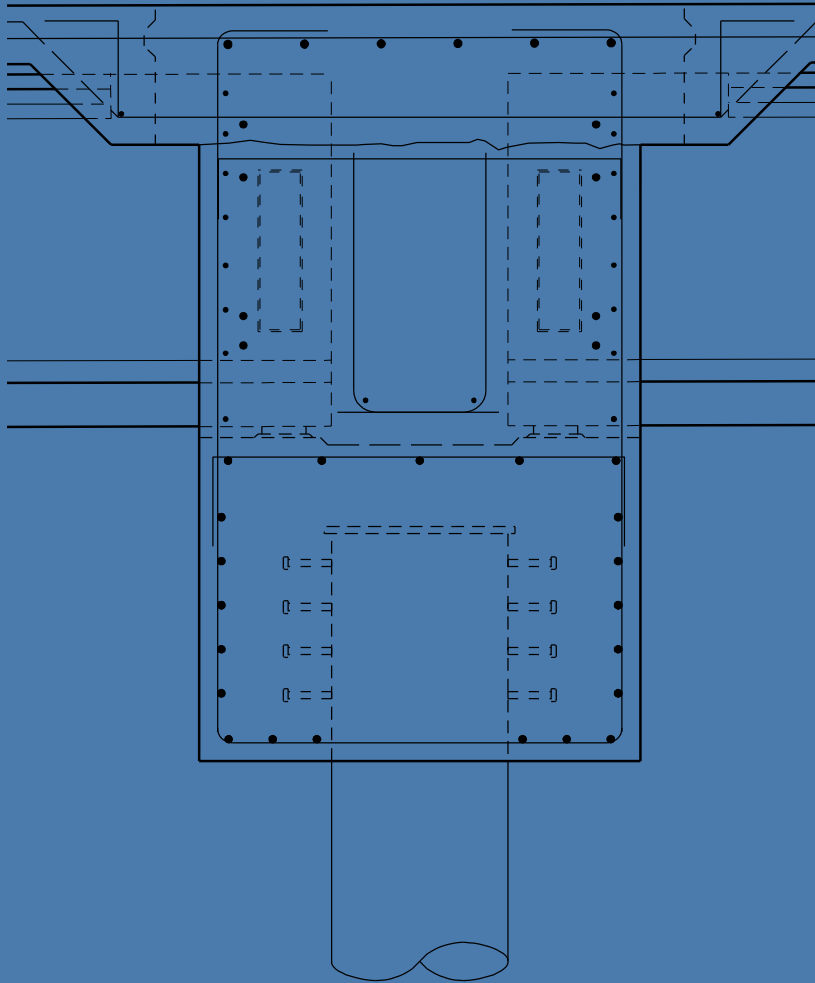


Bent 1 and 5 Crossbeam Section



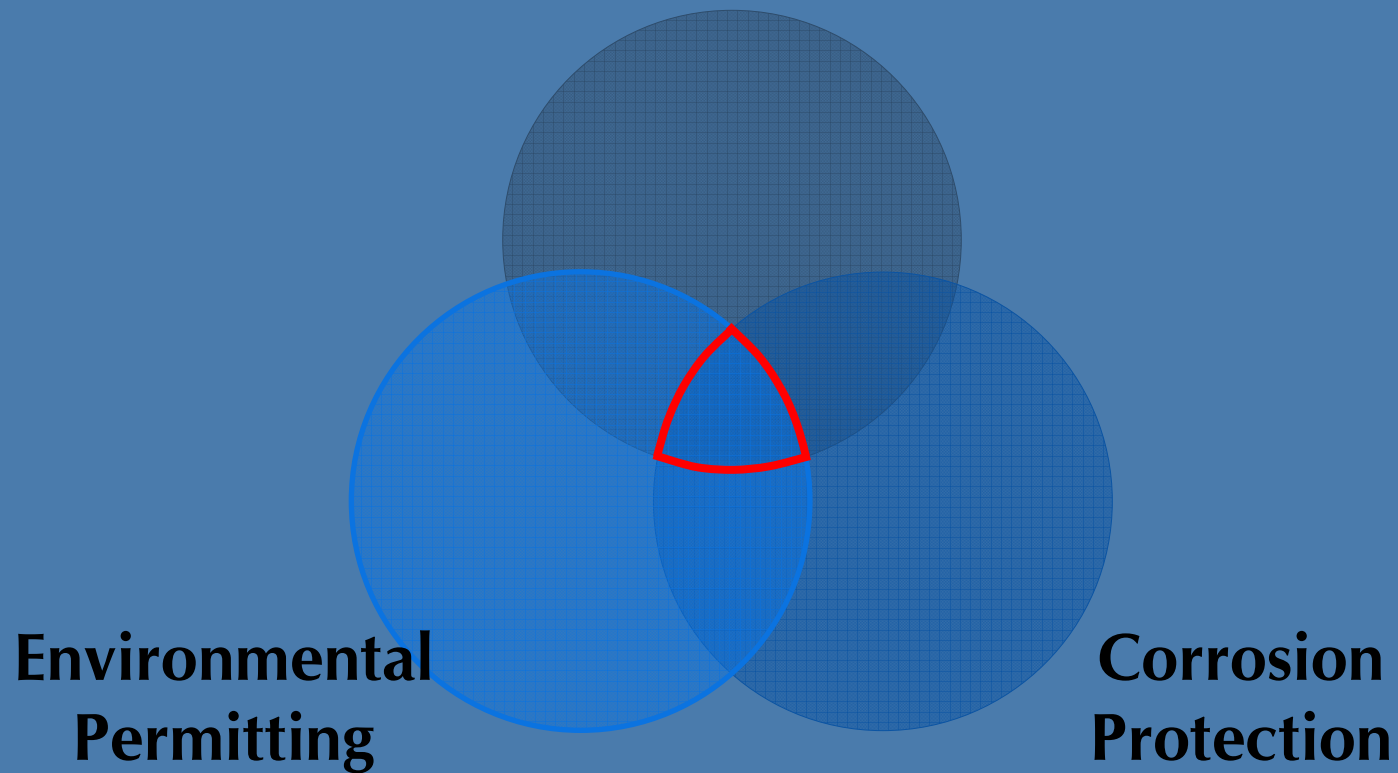


Bent 2, 3 and 4 Crossbeam Section



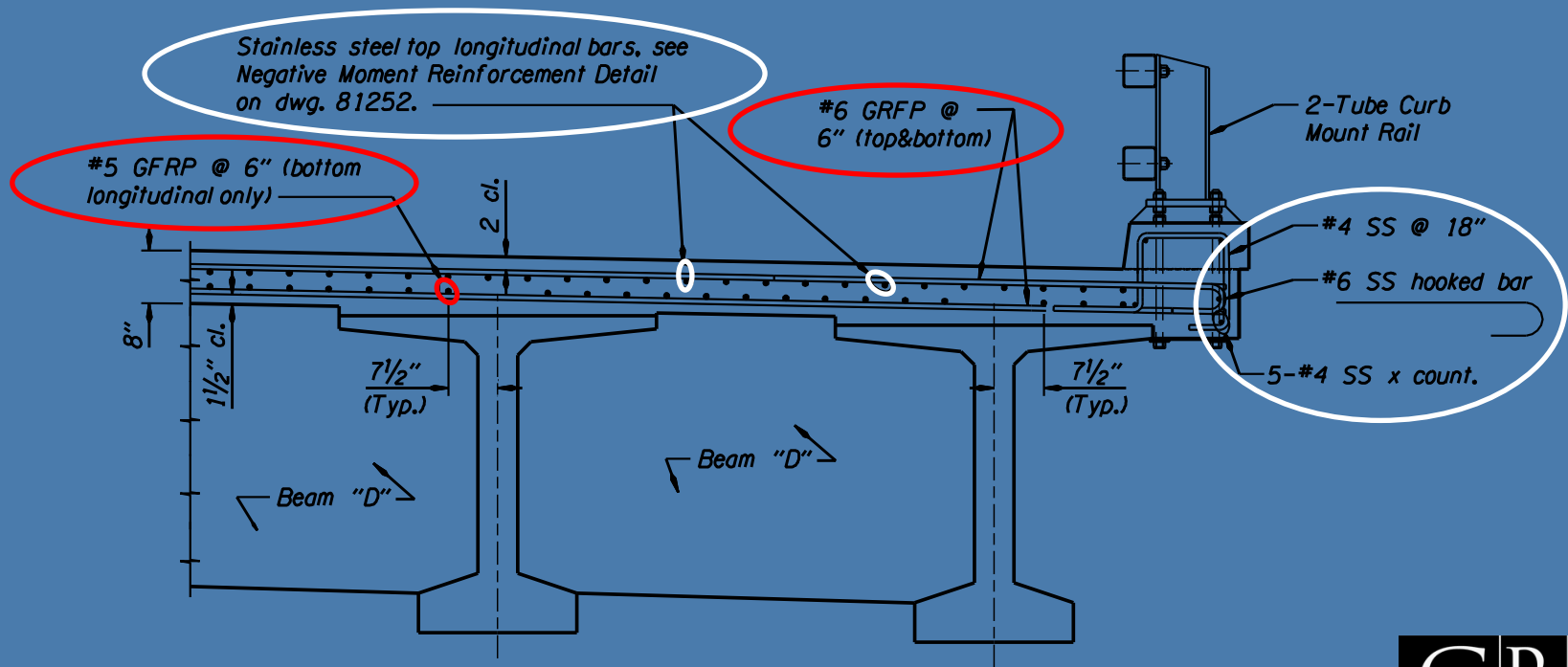


High Seismic Demand in Poor Soil Conditions



Proposed Deck Design

- GFRP rebar used for transverse and bottom longitudinal reinforcement ———
- Negative moment and deck overhang reinforcement is stainless steel rebar ———





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Deck Corrosion Protection



Why GFRP?

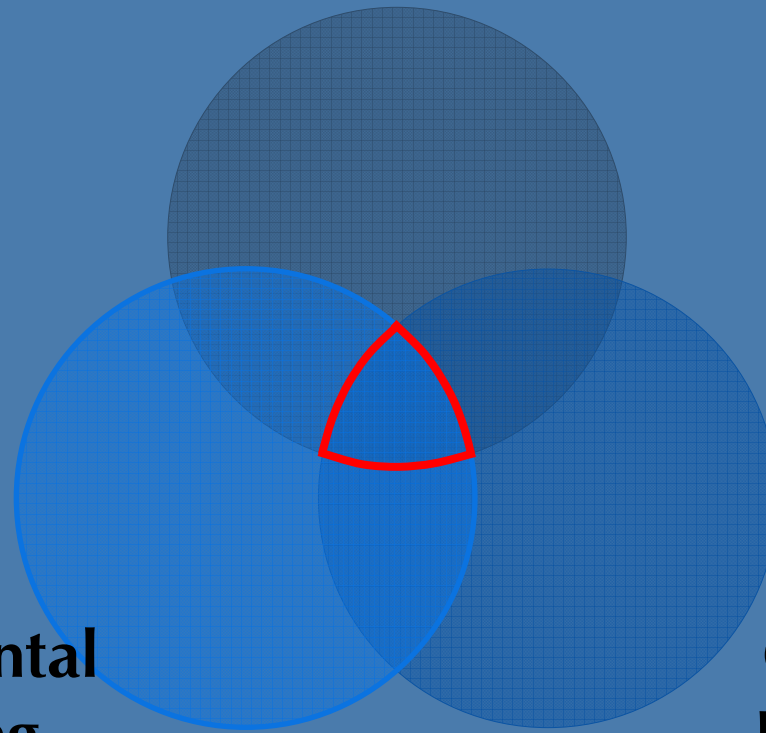
- GFRP is non-corrosive and increases the service life of the deck
- Lower cost compared to stainless steel rebar design
- Approximately **\$195,000** saved even though stainless steel rebar bid unit cost is approx. 50% of bid unit costs from 2007

Deck Design Reinforcement Alternatives Considered			
	#4 Black Bar	#5 & #6 GFRP Bar	#4 Stainless Steel (75ksi)
Unit Cost	\$1.10/lb (assumed)	\$1.36/ft (wgt. avg.)	\$4.25/lb
Total Length	L	1.07*L	0.91*L
Total Cost	C	1.97*C	3.53*C



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**Environmental
Permitting**



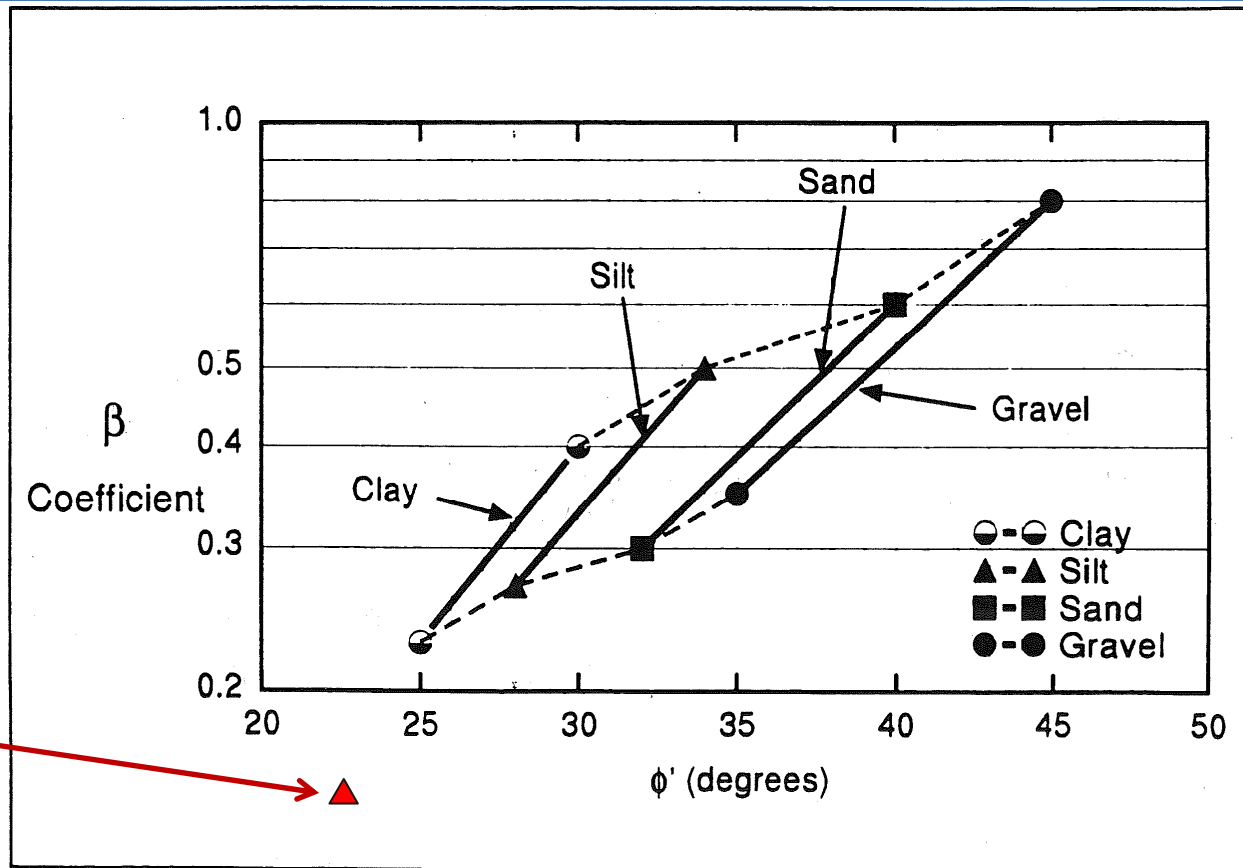
**Corrosion
Protection**



Foundation in Estuary Deposits - Tidal Mud Flats



Skin Friction – Typical β Range and Measured



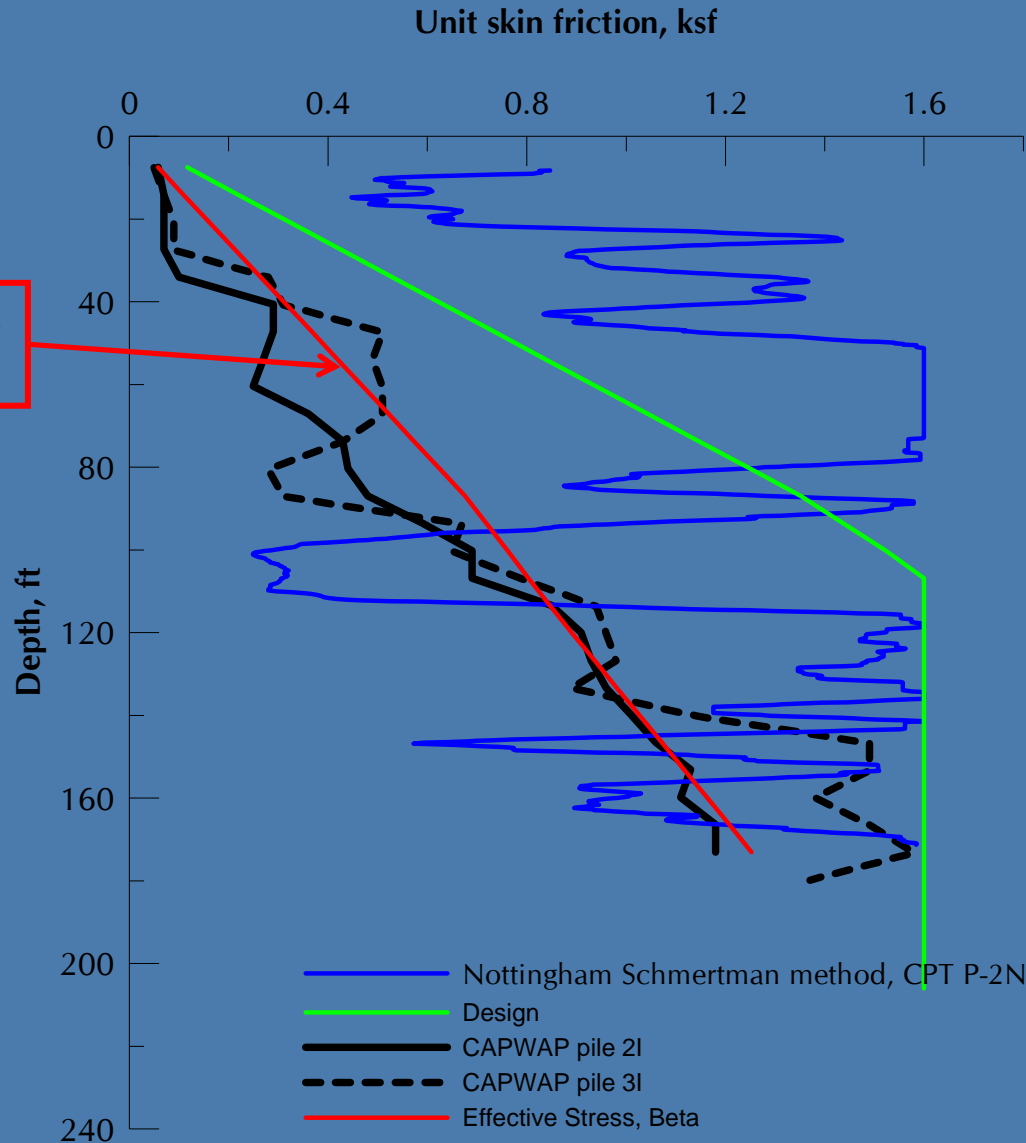
Equivalent Effective
Stress $\beta = 0.135$

Off the chart!

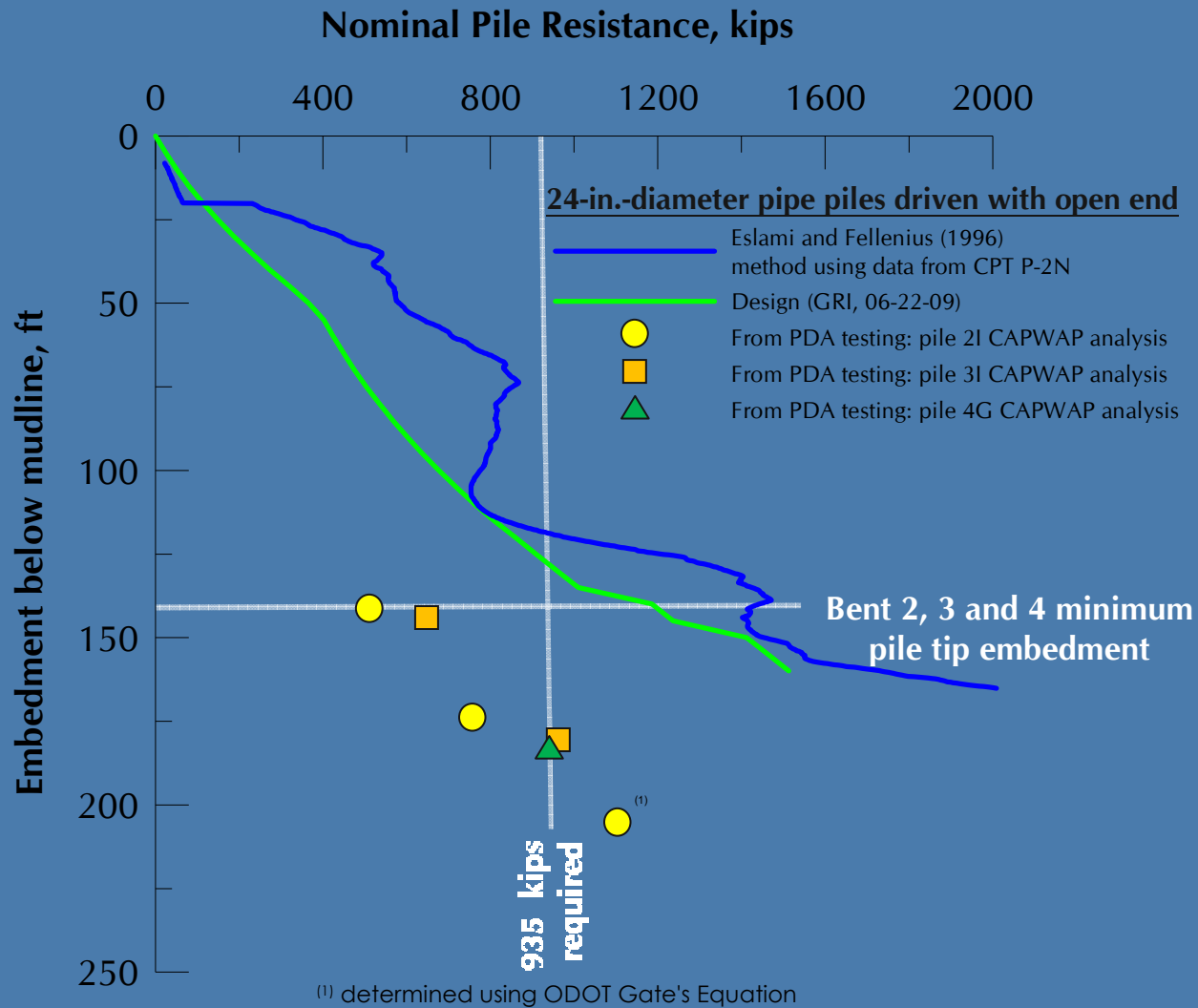


Figure 9.20 Chart for Estimating β Coefficient versus Soil Type ϕ' Angle (after Fellenius, 1991) from Fellenius, 1991, Foundation Engineering Handbook

Pile Skin Friction – Estimated and Measured



Pile Resistance – Estimated and Measured



Lateral Spreading Due to Liquefaction



Capital Lake, Olympia, Washington (Nisqually event, 2001)
Lateral spreading from magnitude 6.8 earthquake

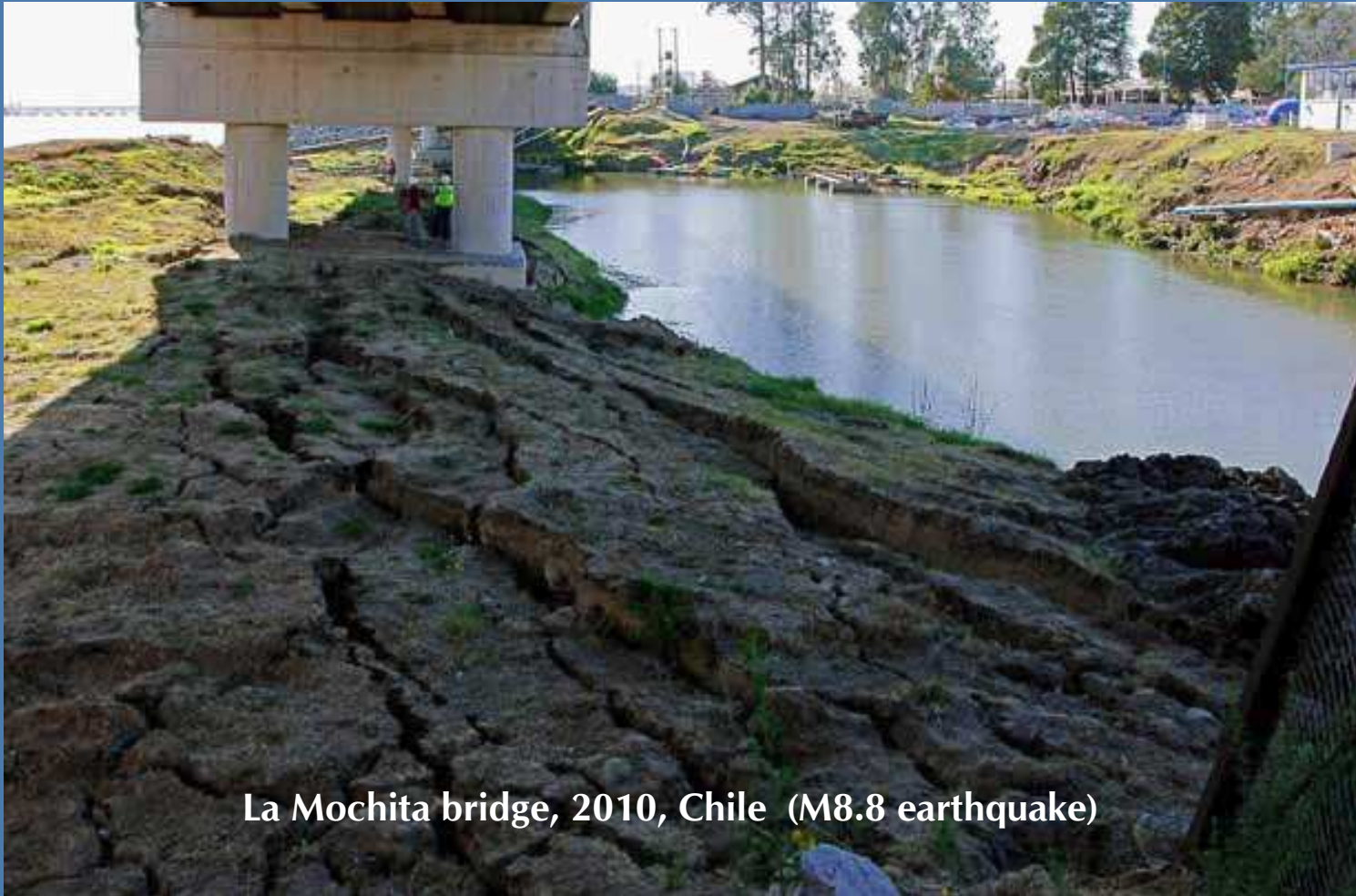
Damage From Lateral Spreading



1976 Tangshan Earthquake - Yuehe Bridge near Tangshan, China
(M7.8 earthquake)



Damage From Lateral Spreading



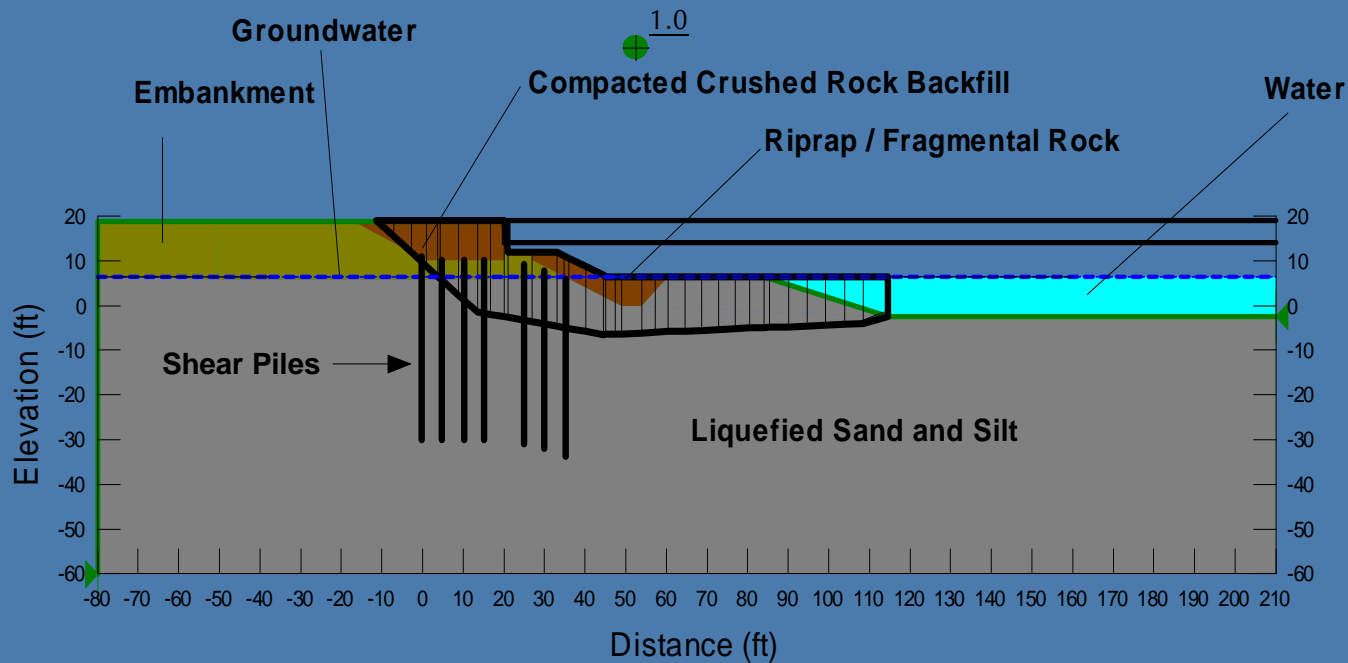
La Mochita bridge, 2010, Chile (M8.8 earthquake)

Photograph from FHWA, 2011, Post-Earthquake Reconnaissance Report on Transportation Infrastructure: Impact of the February 27, 2010, Offshore Maule Earthquake in Chile

- **Site-specific Seismic Embankment Deformation for Unmitigated Liquefaction**
 - ❑ 8 ft of lateral spreading toward slough
 - ❑ 5 ft of lateral spreading perpendicular to roadway
 - ❑ Lateral spreading exerts full passive force on bridge components (pile and pile cap)

- **ODOT's Liquefaction Mitigation Policy requires that the project mitigate soil liquefaction at bridge abutments**

Slope Stability Model



Yield Acceleration:

0.00 g without ground improvement after soil has liquefied

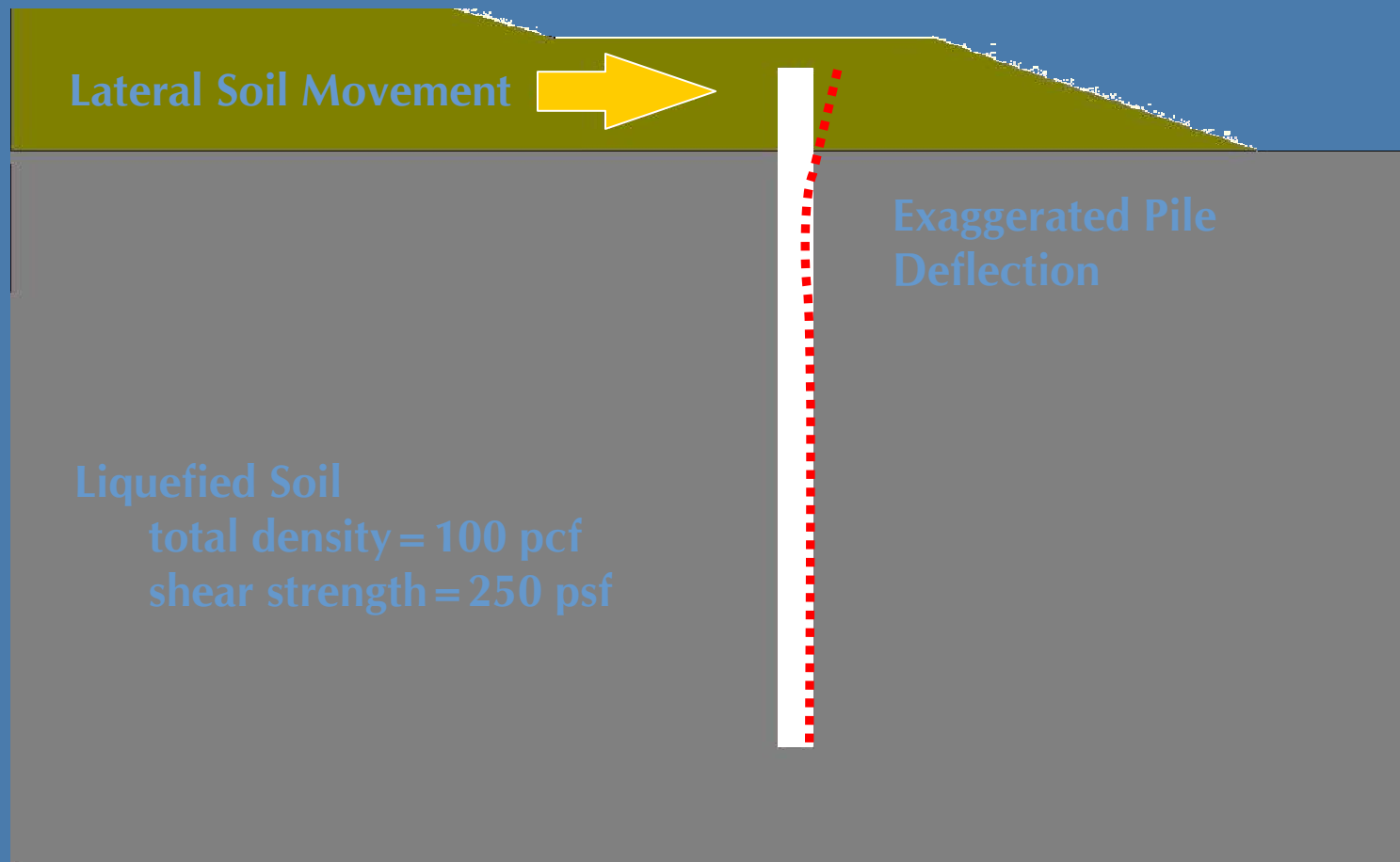
0.12 g with PCPS concrete piles

Estimated Embankment Deformation (1,000-year event):

Without ground improvement: 8 ft

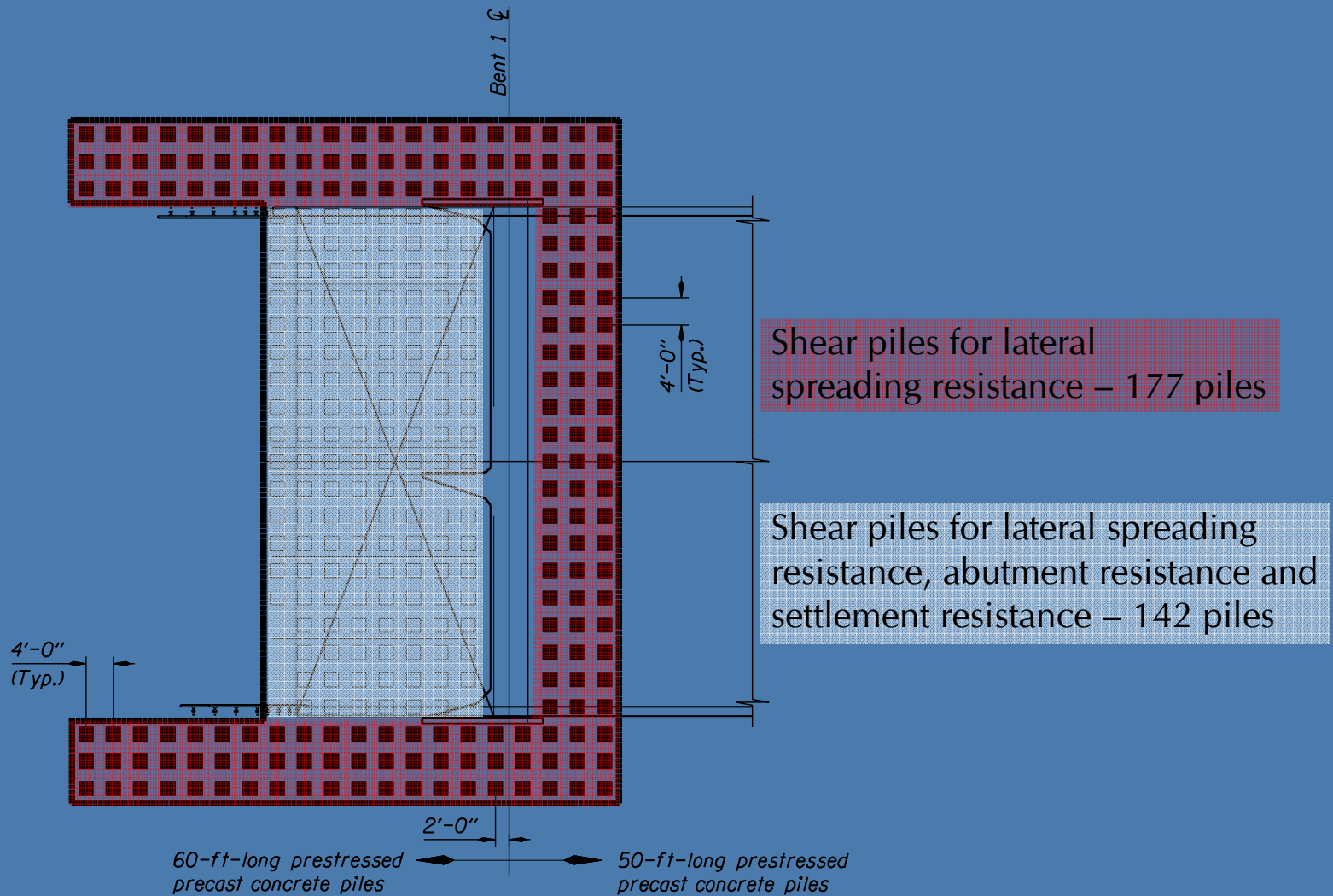
With ground improvement: 1 ft

LPile Lateral Resistance Model



Note: Lateral soil movement modeled using the LPile
"soil movement" option with horizontal and vertical loads set to zero

PCPS Concrete Pile Ground Improvement



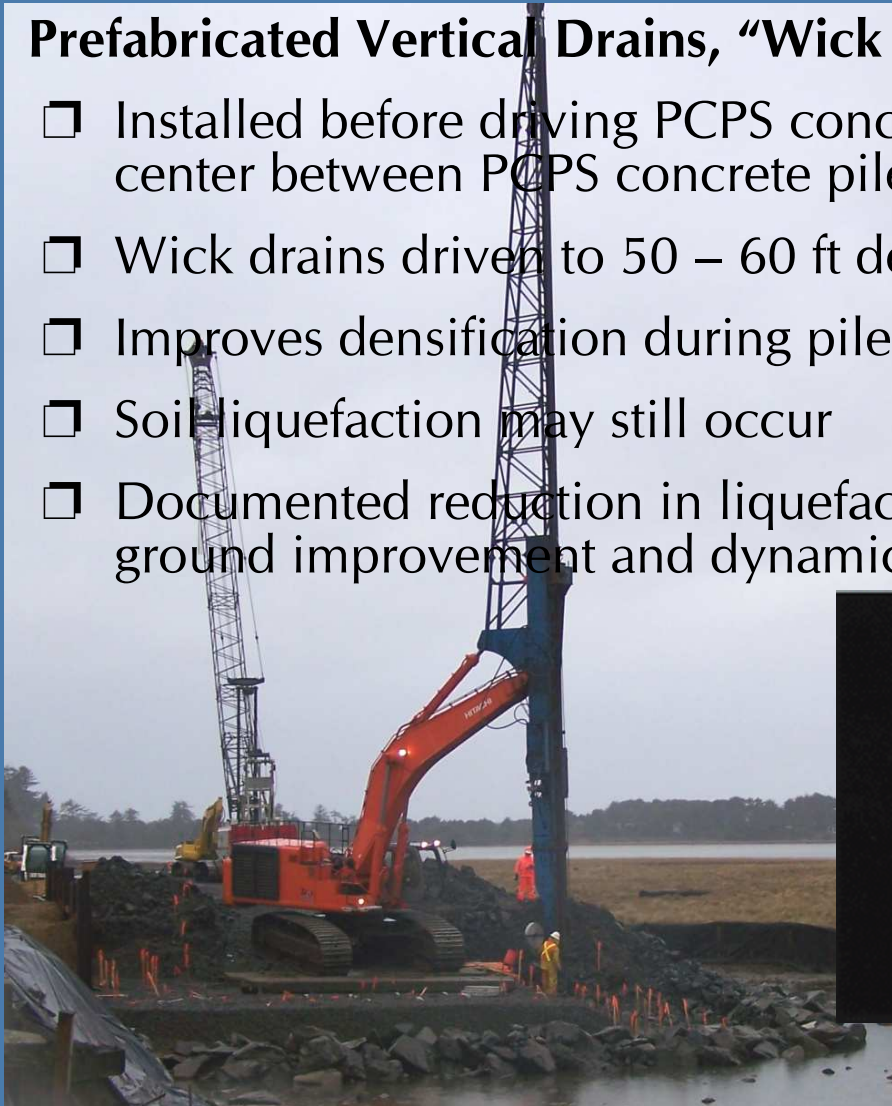


Concrete Piles During Bridge Construction (Stage 2)



■ Prefabricated Vertical Drains, “Wick Drains”

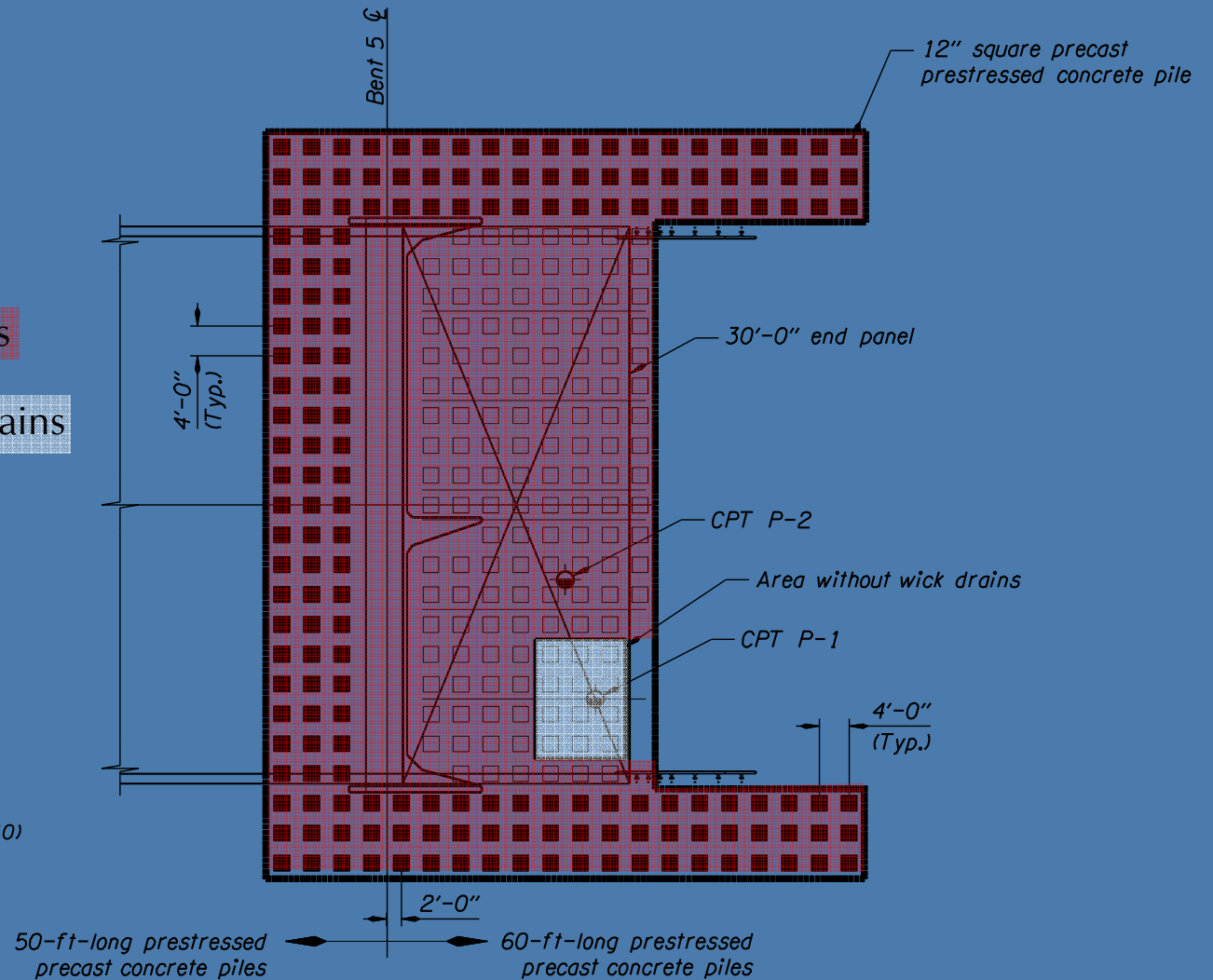
- ❑ Installed before driving PCPS concrete pile and placed 4 ft on-center between PCPS concrete pile locations
- ❑ Wick drains driven to 50 – 60 ft depth
- ❑ Improves densification during pile driving
- ❑ Soil liquefaction may still occur
- ❑ Documented reduction in liquefaction for stone column ground improvement and dynamic compaction



Limits of Prefabricated Vertical Drains

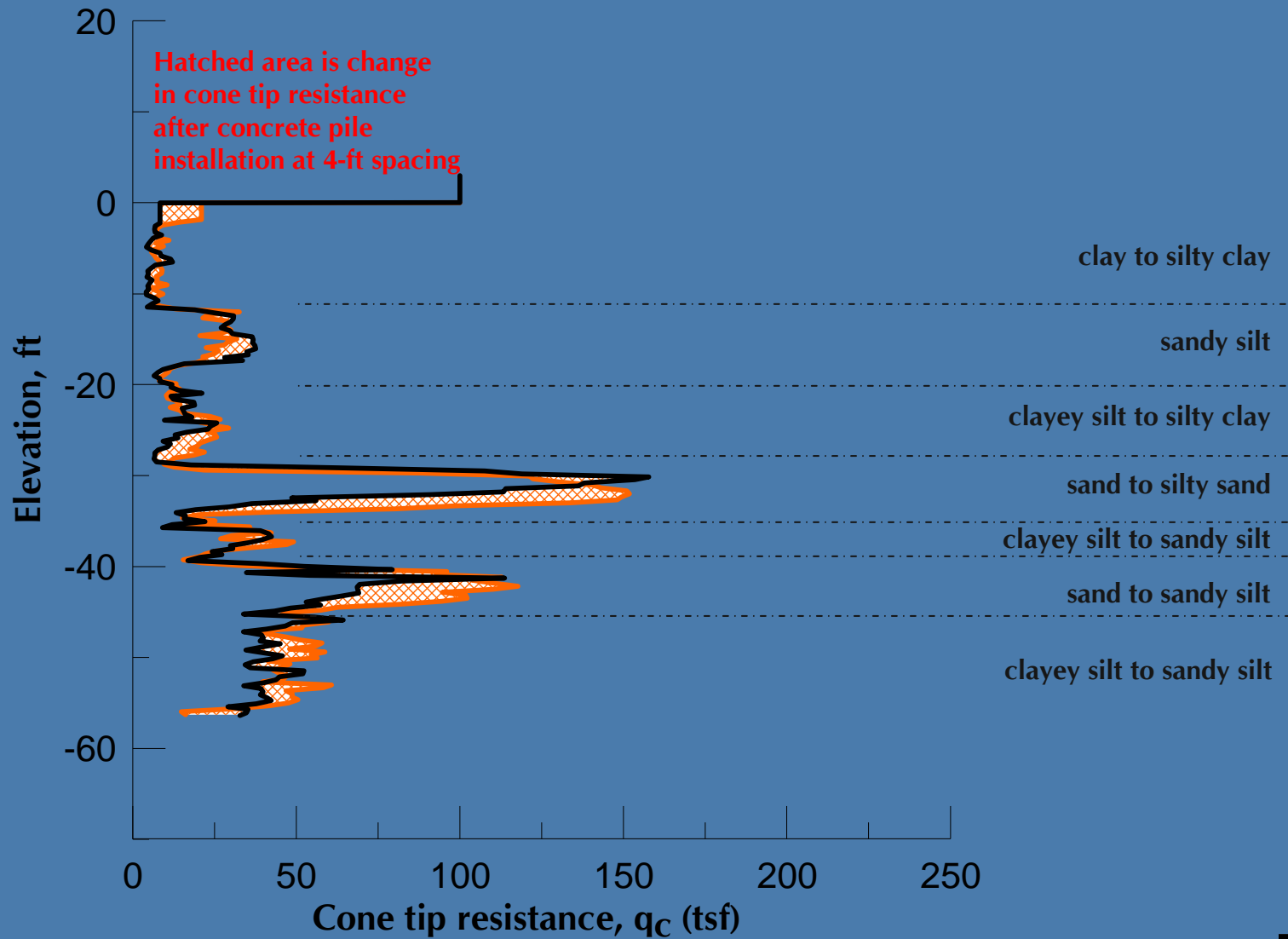
Area with wick drains

Area without wick drains

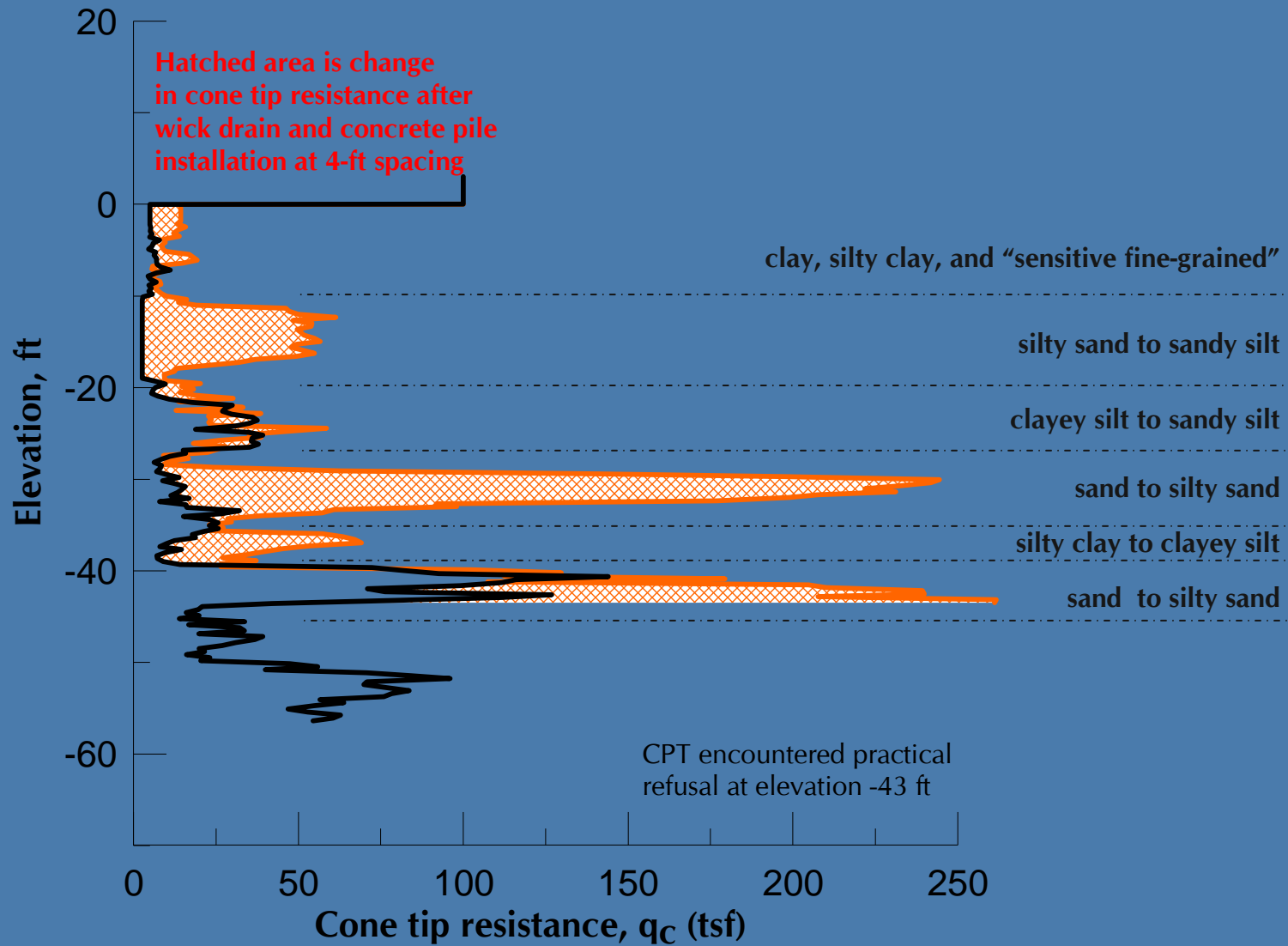


⊕ Cone penetration test made by GRI
(December 28, 2009 and March 26, 2010)

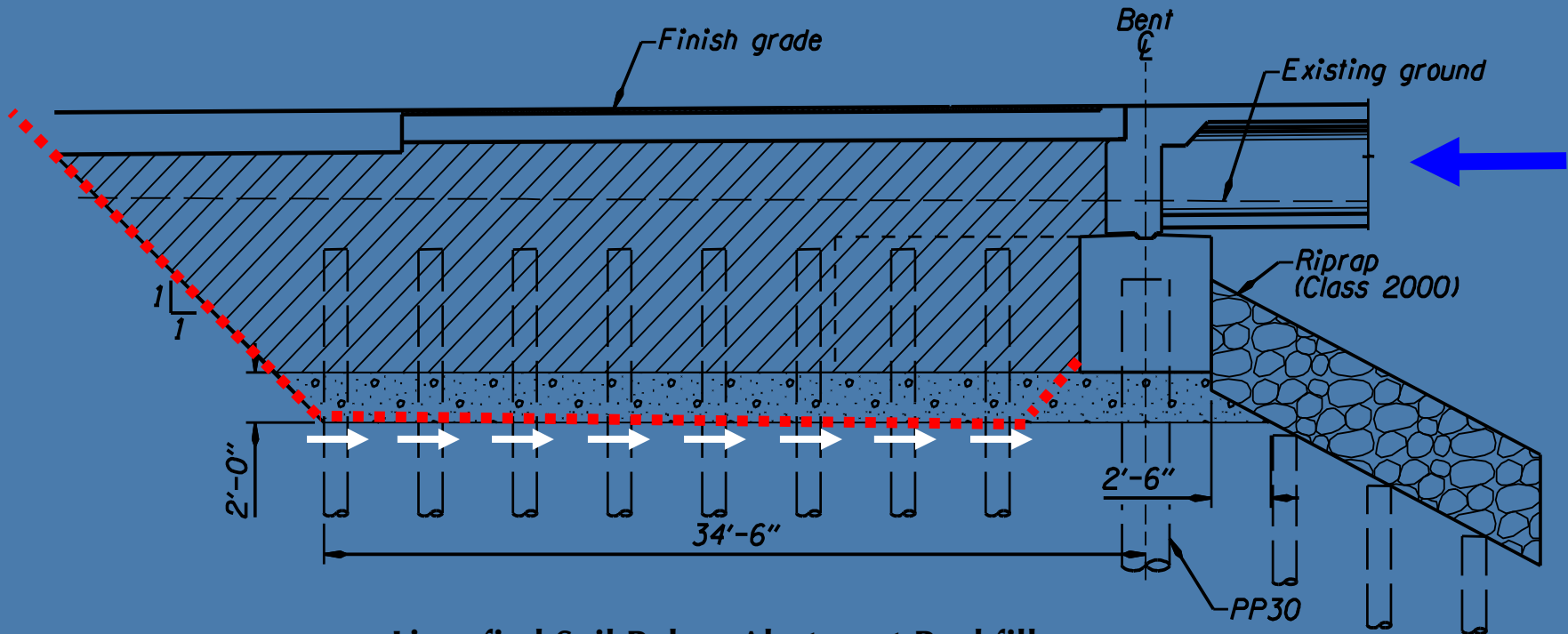
CPT Tip Resistance – Without Wick Drains



CPT Tip Resistance – With Wick Drains



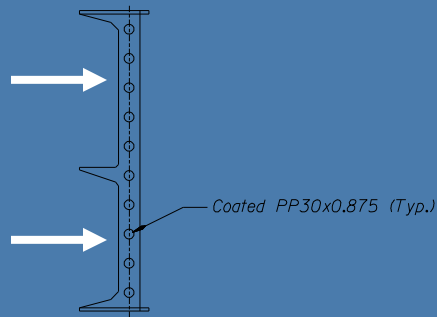
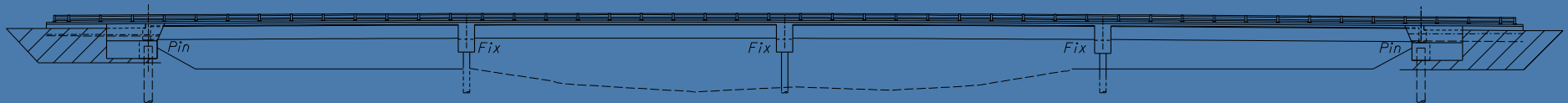
PCPS Concrete Piles for Backfill Shear Resistance



Liquefied Soil Below Abutment Backfill

- ■ ■ ■ ■ Anticipated failure path without PCPS concrete shear piles
- Resistance provided by PCPS concrete shear piles

Distribution of Longitudinal Seismic Loads



Bent 1

Abutment
Backfill
(Comp. Only)

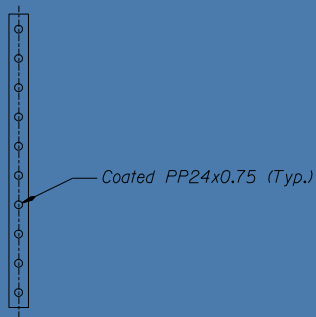
3800 Kips

650 Kips

9%

56%

9%



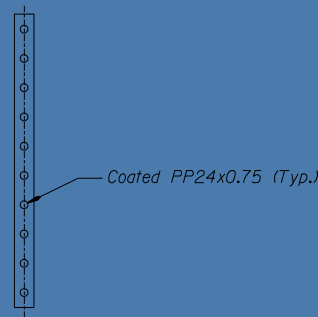
Bent 2

Pipe Pile

680 Kips

10%

10%



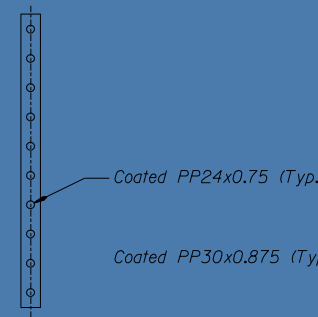
Bent 3

Pipe Pile

420 Kips

6%

6%



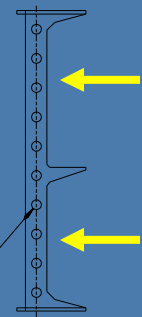
Bent 4

Pipe Pile

680 Kips

10%

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Bent 5

Pipe Pile
Abutment
Backfill
(Comp. Only)

650 Kips

3800 Kips

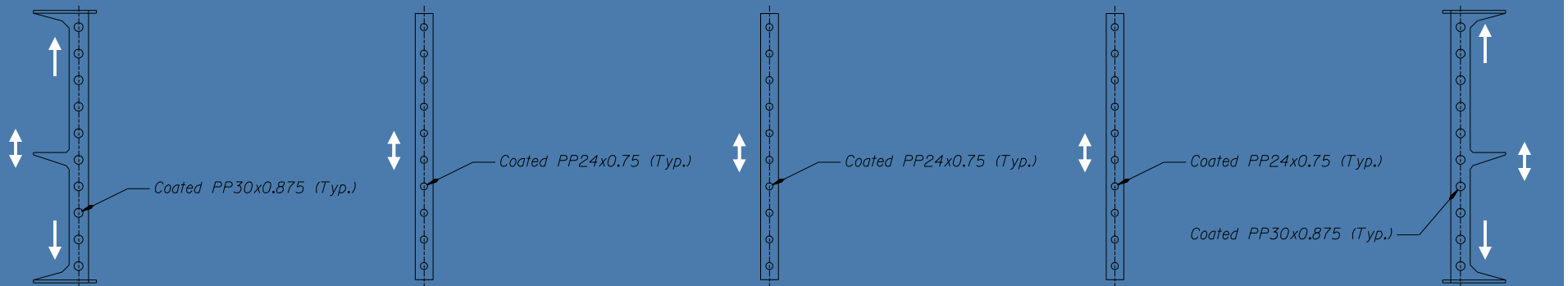
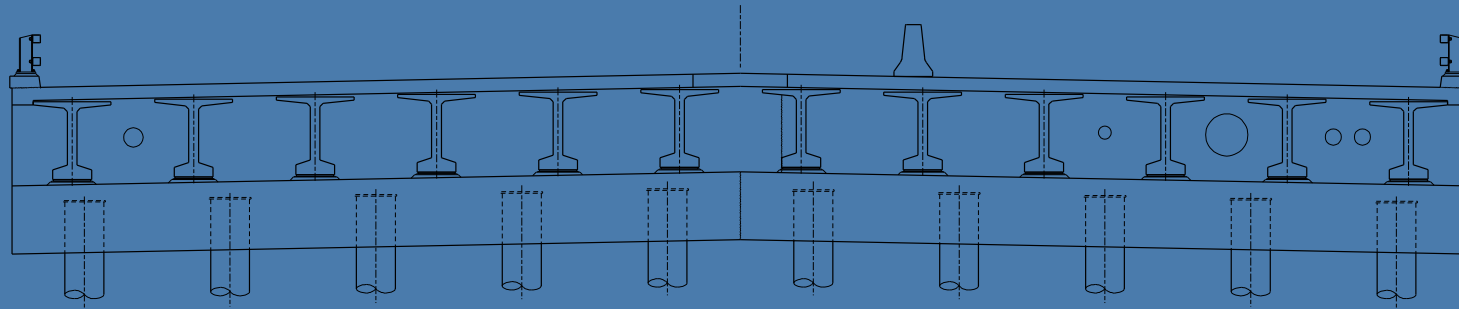
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Load Conditions Considered
1000 Year Event – Liquefied Soils

Distribution of Transverse Seismic Loads



Bent 1

Bent 2

Bent 3

Bent 4

Bent 5

Wingwall Backfill (Comp. Only)	Pipe Pile	Pipe Pile	Pipe Pile	Pipe Pile	Pipe Pile	Wingwall Backfill (Comp. Only)
670 Kips	1620 Kips	720 Kips	495 Kips	720 Kips	1620 Kips	670 Kips
10%	25%	11%	8%	11%	25%	10%



Conclusion



Photograph from:
Roy W. Lowe, USFWS



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Questions?



- **Contractor: CP Construction of Oakland, OR**
- **Bid Cost Data**
 - ❑ Total project bid - \$11.36M
 - ❑ Total bridge items cost (including liquefaction mitigation and work bridge) - \$7.96M
 - ❑ Liquefaction mitigation items cost - \$1.40M
 - ❑ Unit area cost of bridge (including liquefaction mitigation and work bridge) - \$269/sq. ft.
 - ❑ Unit area cost (including work bridge and excluding liquefaction mitigation items) - \$221/sq. ft.
 - ❑ Unit area cost (excluding work bridge and liquefaction mitigation items) - \$189/sq. ft.