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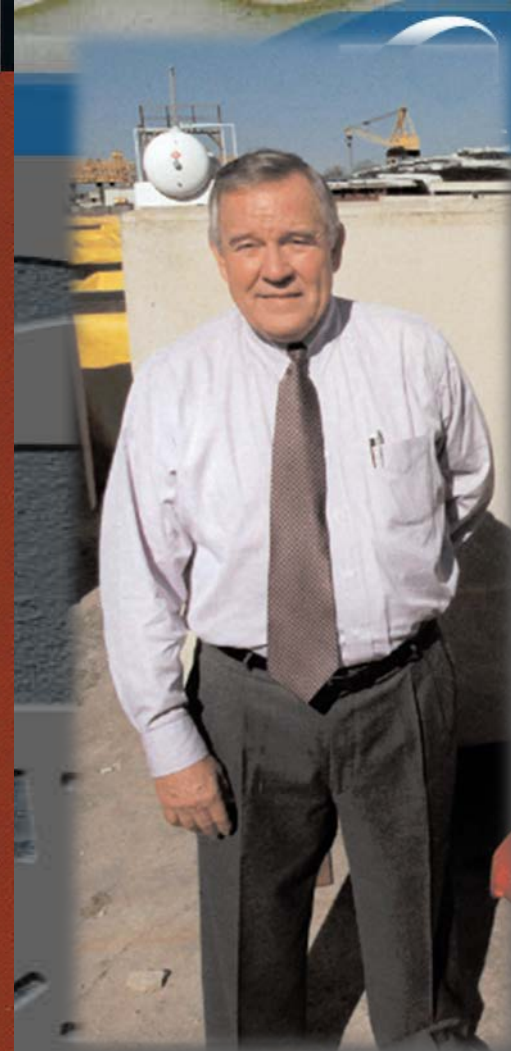


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Direction/Reinforcement

Longitudinal

Transverse

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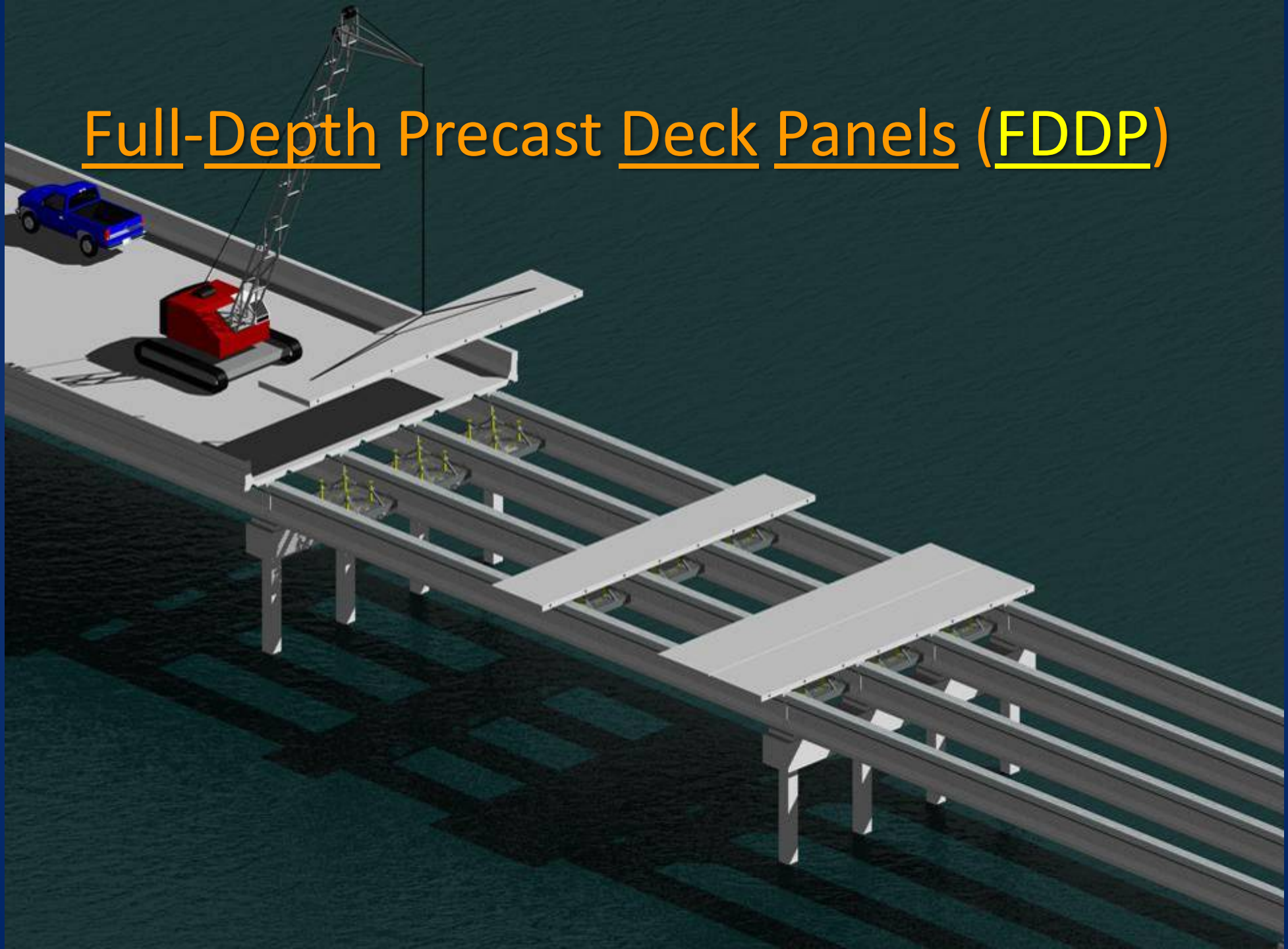
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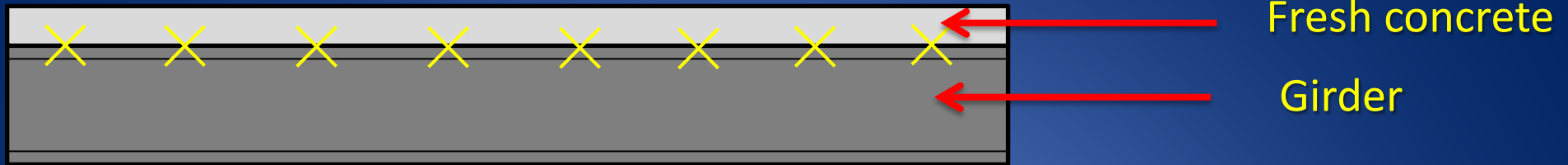


Full-Depth Precast Deck Panels (FDDP)



Full Depth Precast Panels Do not Crack

- Cracking of FDDP is substantially controlled
Because :
 - Concrete is mature. It has already undergone most of its cement hydration temperature change, shrinkage and creep
 - The panels can be prestressed in the plant and post-tensioned at the site, creating two-way precompression.



Fresh concrete shrinks because:

1. Temperature drops after the concrete sets (by as much as 80 degrees)

$$\epsilon_{\text{Temp. drop}} = \alpha * \Delta T = (6 \times 10^{-6})(80) = 4.8 \times 10^{-4}$$

2. Loss of hydration water (by as much as 300 micro strains)

$$\epsilon_{\text{shrinkage}} = 3.0 \times 10^{-4}$$

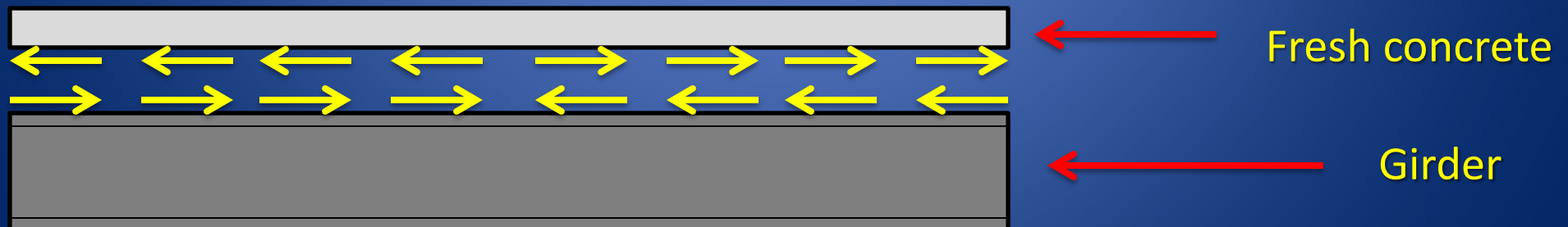
Thus, total shrinkage strain, $\epsilon_{\text{total}} = 4.8 \times 10^{-4} + 3.0 \times 10^{-4} = 7.8 \times 10^{-4}$

If concrete compressive strength, $f'_c = 1,000$ psi at one day

Modulus of elasticity, $E_c = 57,000 (\text{Sqrt } 1,000) = 1,800$ psi

Tensile stress due to combined actions = $\epsilon_{\text{total}} * E_c = 1,400$ psi

Modulus of rupture = $7.5 * \text{Sqrt}(f'_c) = 237$ psi



Since the deck concrete is restrained by girders, it cracks

Advantages of FDDP

| | FDDP |
|--|-----------------|
| Construction Speed | High |
| Shrinkage cracking | Eliminated |
| Hydration temperature cracking | Eliminated |
| Formwork | Eliminated |
| Maintenance cost | Low |
| Structural integrity | Maintained |
| Adaptability for continuous span bridges | Yes |
| Initial cost | Relatively High |
| Service life | Long |

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Components of the FDDP

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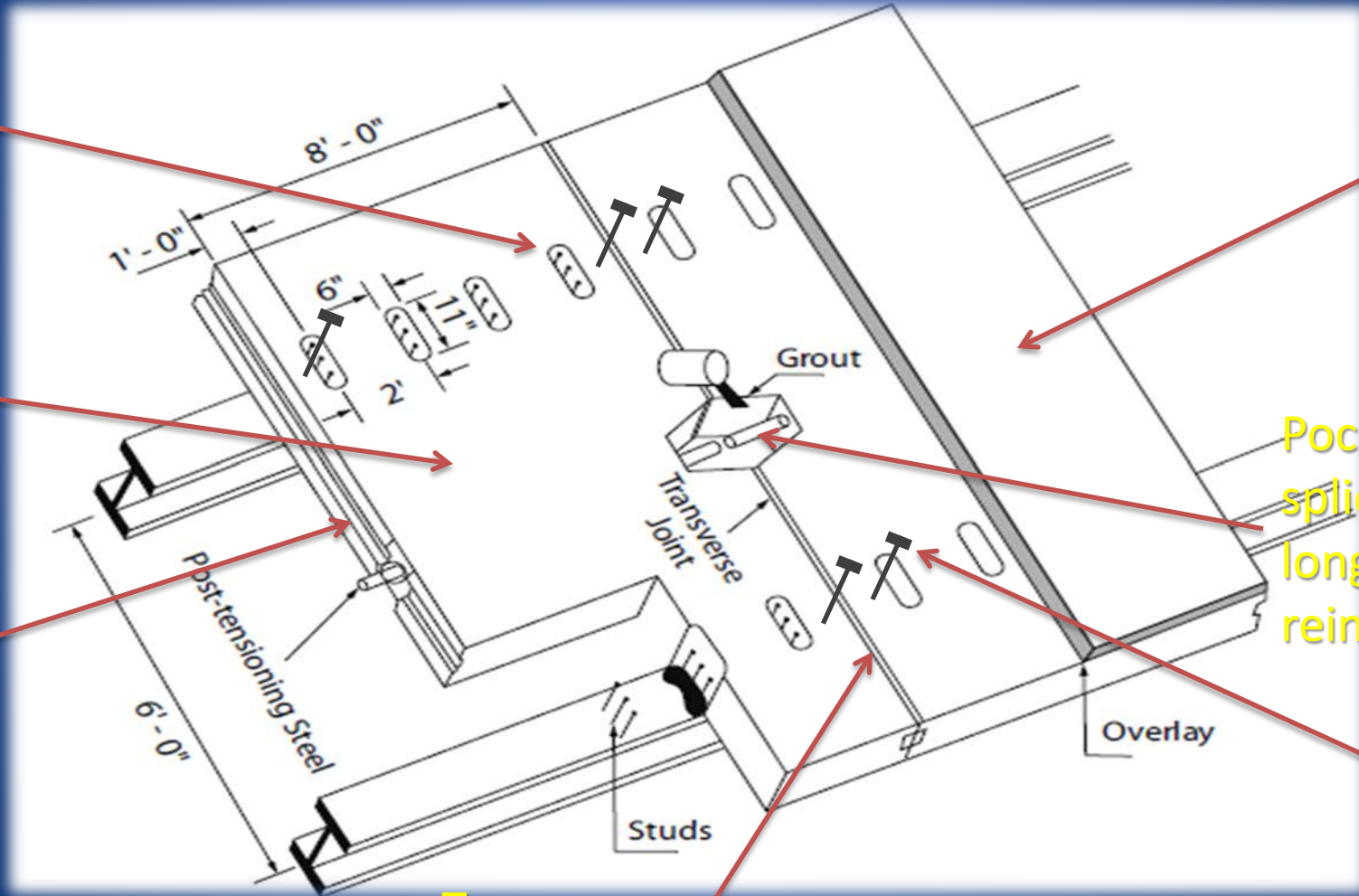
Precast panels

Shear key

Overlay (may be omitted)

Pockets for splicing longitudinal reinforcement

Leveling bolts



Transverse joints

Longitudinal joint

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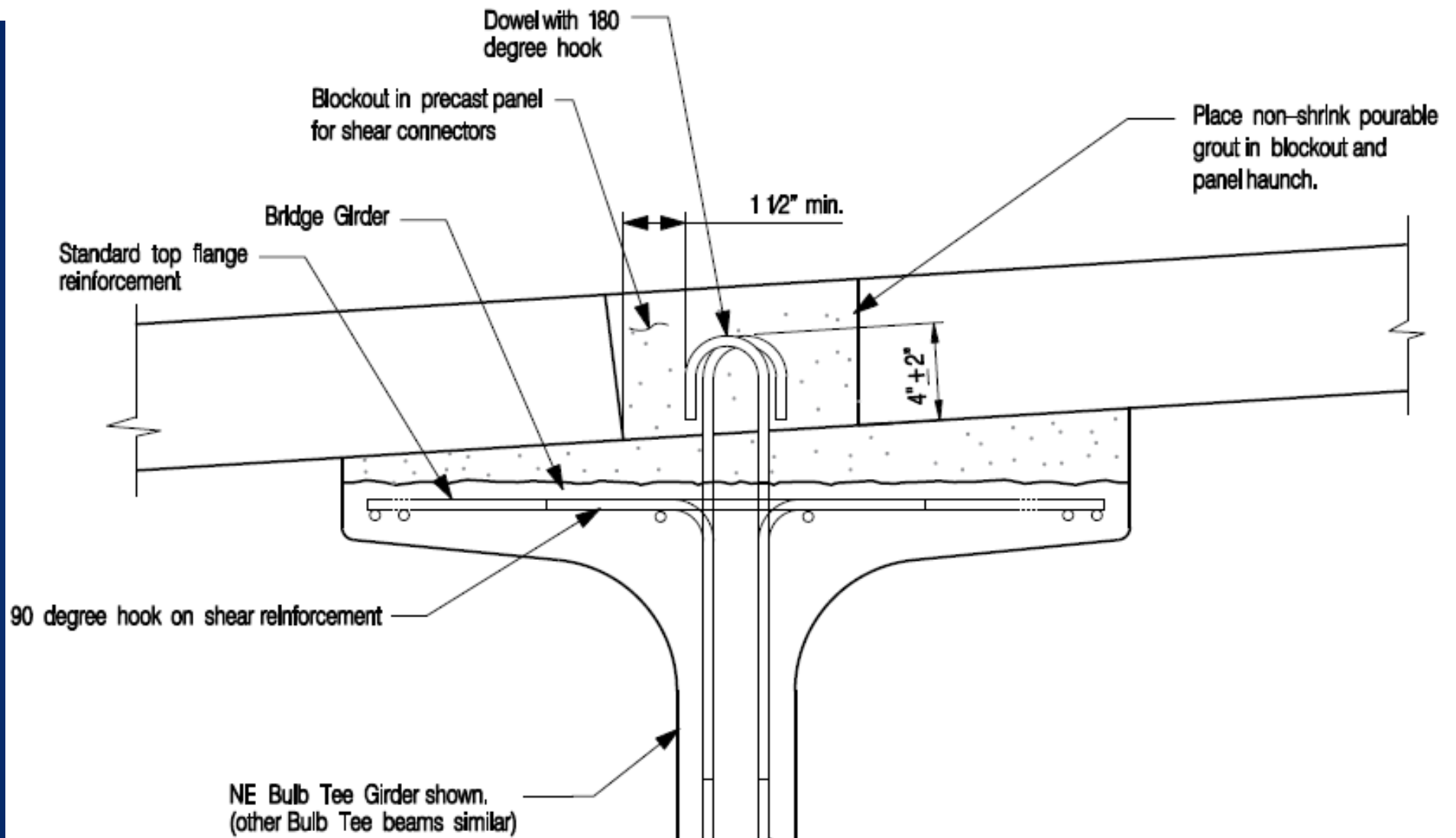
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Panel-to-Girder Connection

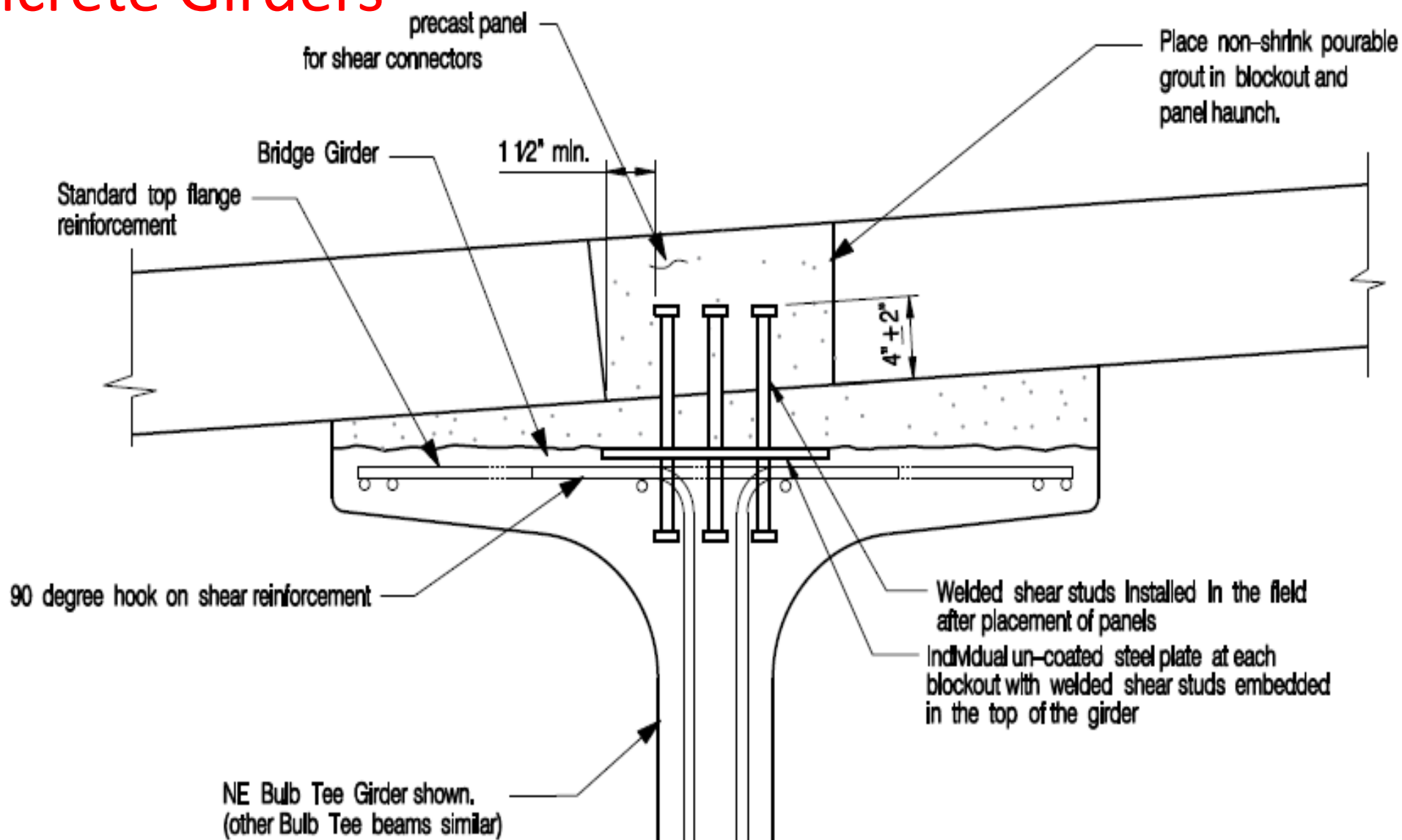
A positive connection between the precast panels and the supporting girders is required to create a composite deck-girder system

Concrete Girders



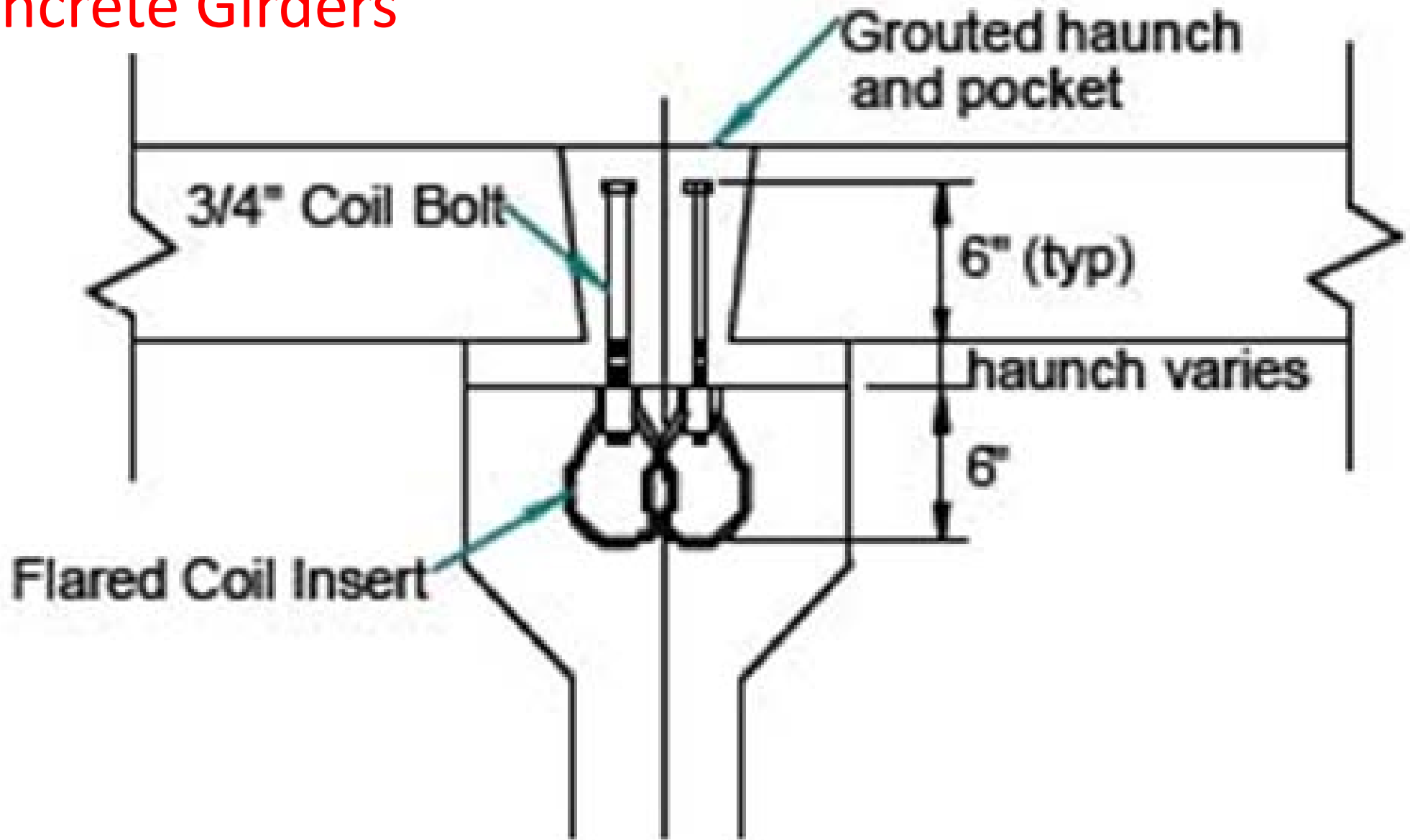
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Concrete Girders



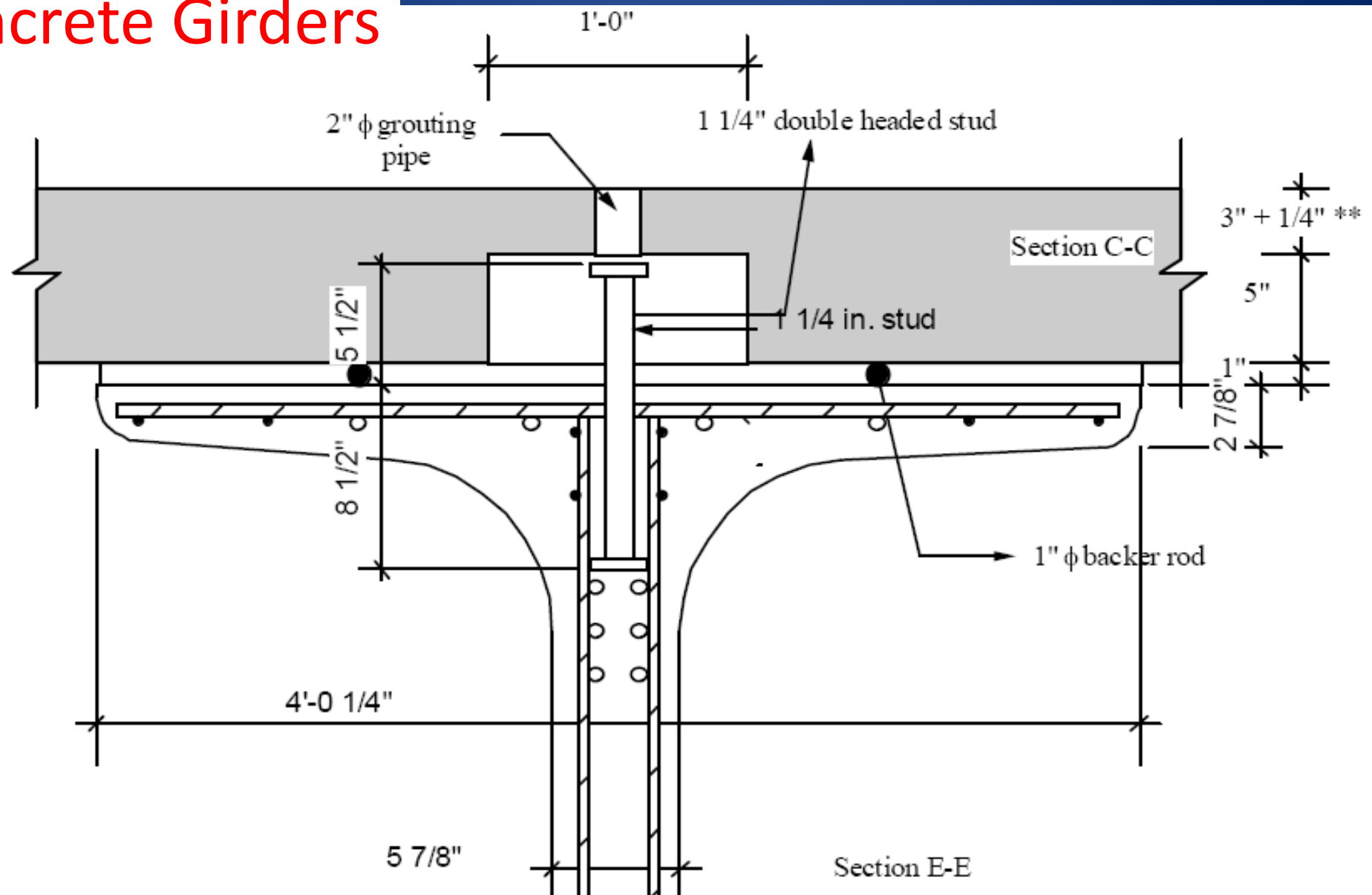
NEW CONSTRUCTION WITH WELDED STUD CONNECTION

Concrete Girders



NEW CONSTRUCTION WITH COIL INSERTS AND COIL BOLTS

Concrete Girders

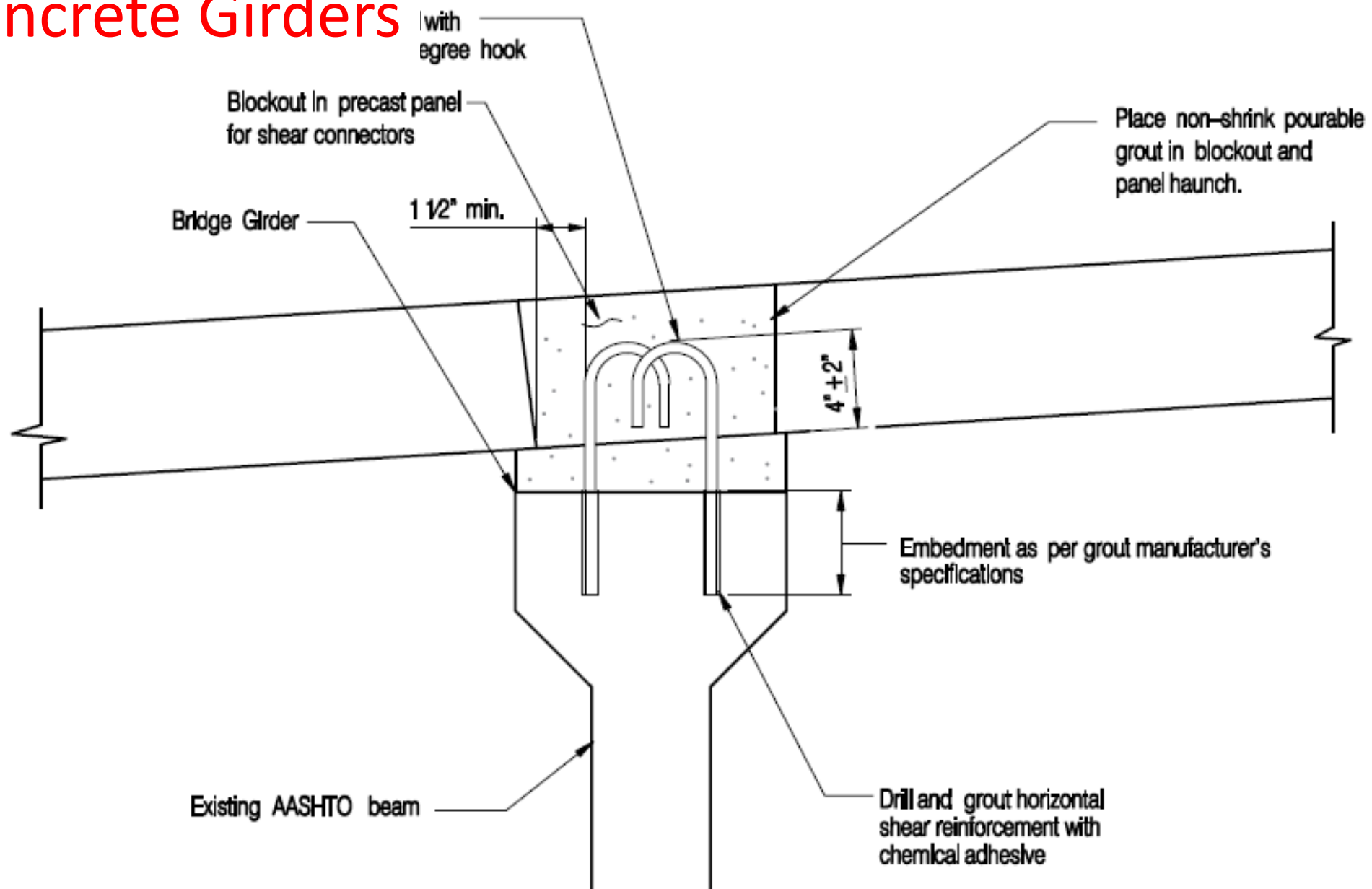


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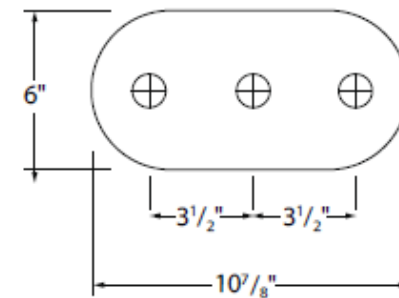


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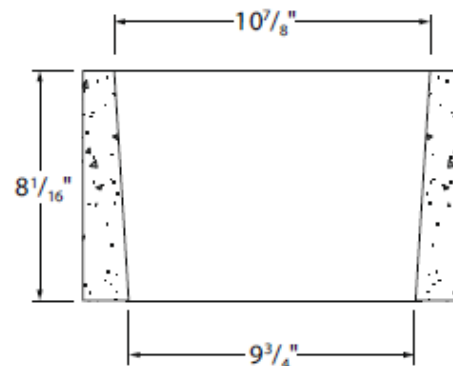
Concrete Girders



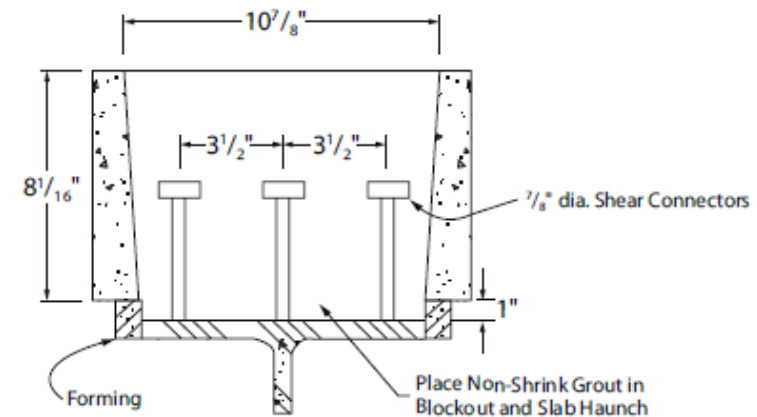
DECK REPLACEMENT



PLAN



SECTION



SECTION

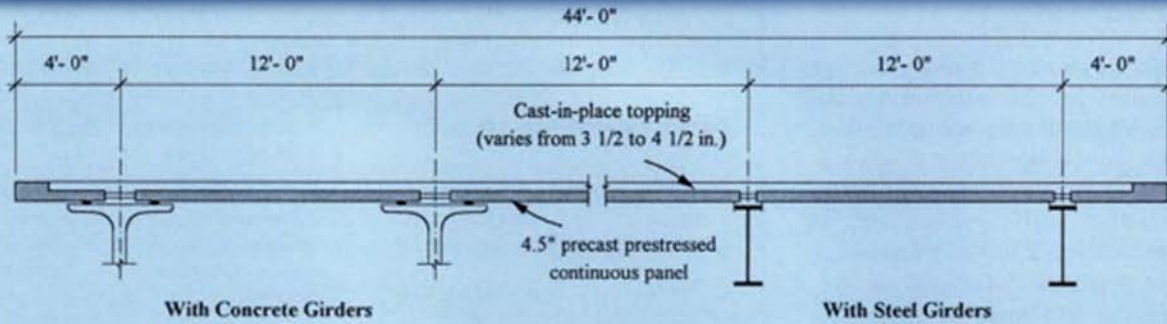
**NEW CONSTRUCTION
Or DECK REPLACEMENT
WITH PROJECTING
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Types of Shear Pockets

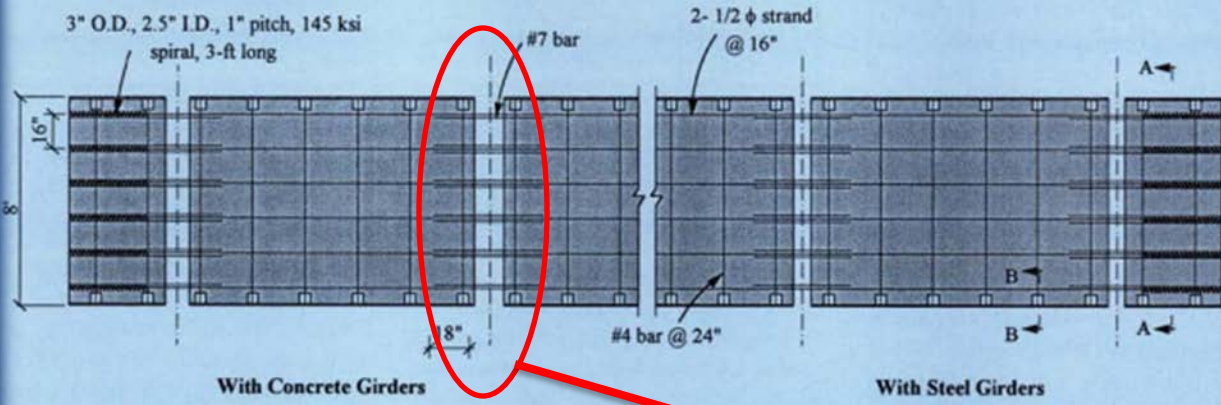
FDDP with
individual
Open
shear
pockets



I-39/90 Bridge over Door Creek, MacFarland, Wis



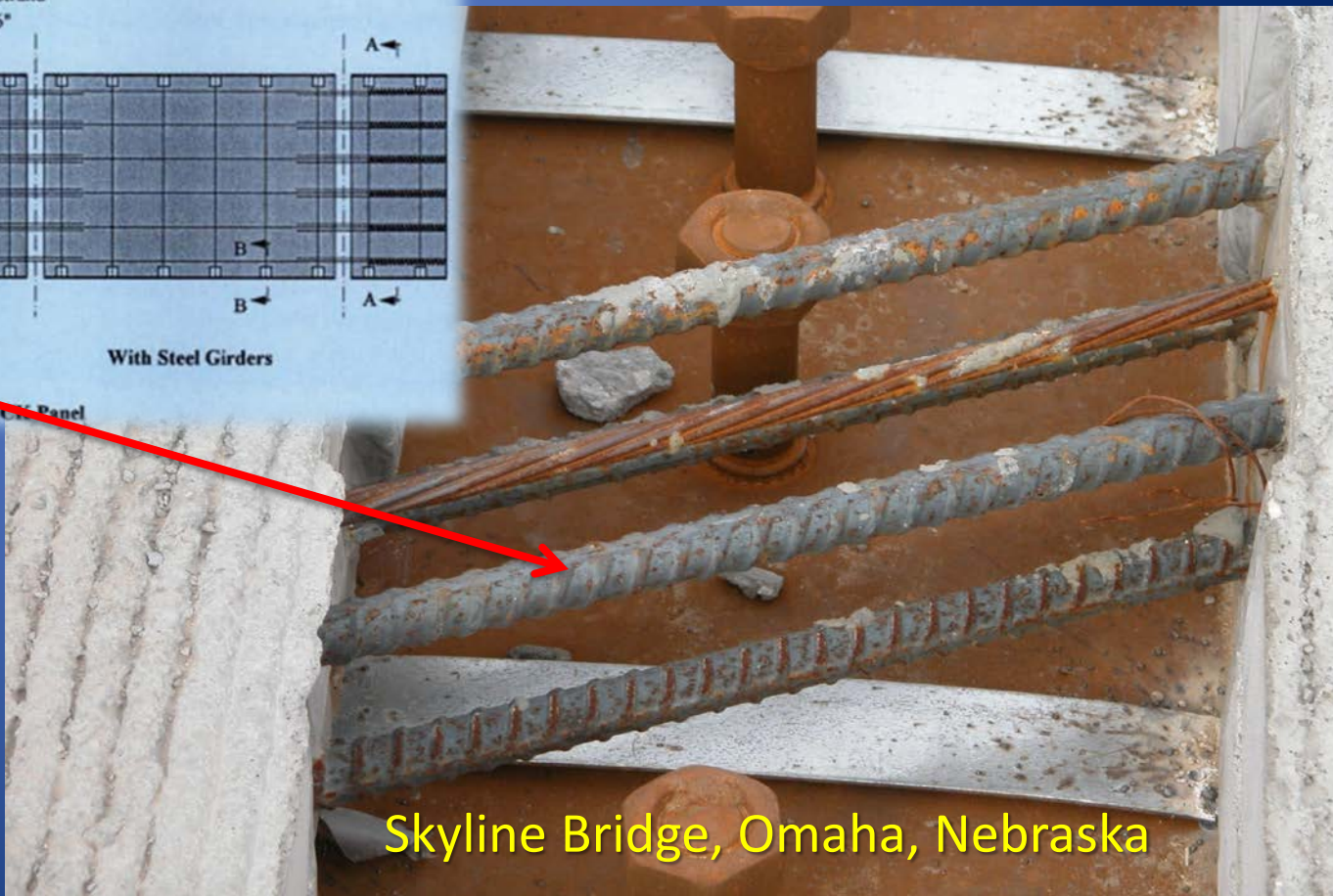
(a) Cross Section of the NUDECK System



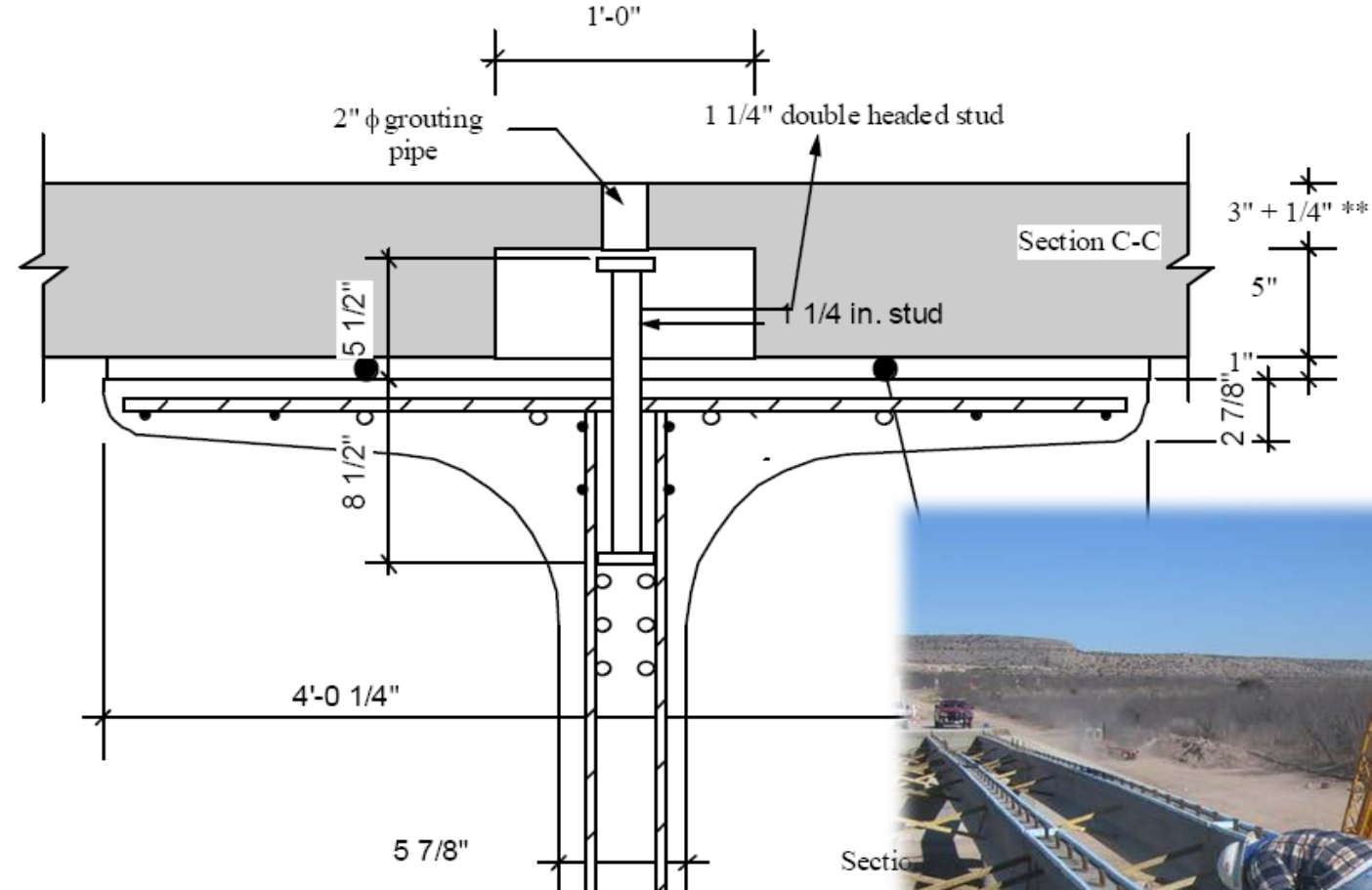
(b) Plan View of the Precast NUDECK Panel

FDDPs with continuously open channels for PT and composite connection

NCHRP 12-41
 NUDECK System



FDDPs with individual hidden shear pockets



NCHRP 12-65

Live Oak Bridge, TX

Spacing Between Shear Pockets

$S = 2 \text{ ft}$
ASSHTO LRFD

$S = 4 \text{ ft}$
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Wis. DOT



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Panel-to-Panel Transverse Connection

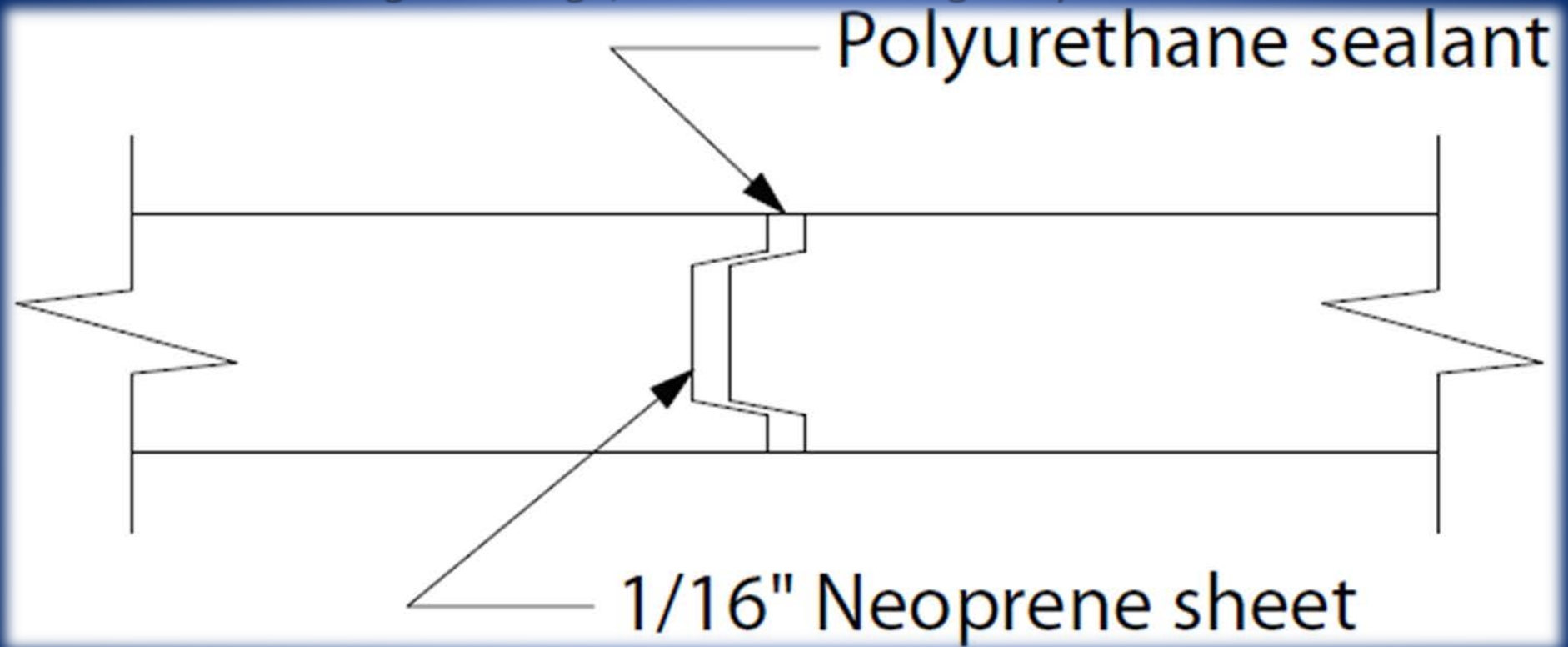
The transverse edges of the precast panels are usually provided with shear keys. Typically, the shear key that extends along the transverse edges of a precast deck panel plays an important role in the service performance of the finished deck. The shear key must be designed to eliminate relative vertical movement between adjacent panels and to transfer the traffic load from one panel to the next.

Under traffic load, a panel-to-panel joint experiences two types of loading:

1. A vertical shear force that tries to break the bond between the panel and the grout filling the joint, and
2. A bending moment that puts the top half of the joint in compression and the bottom half of the joint in tension.

Male-Female (Tongue/Groove) Shear Key

Bloomington Bridge, Indiana State Highway Commission

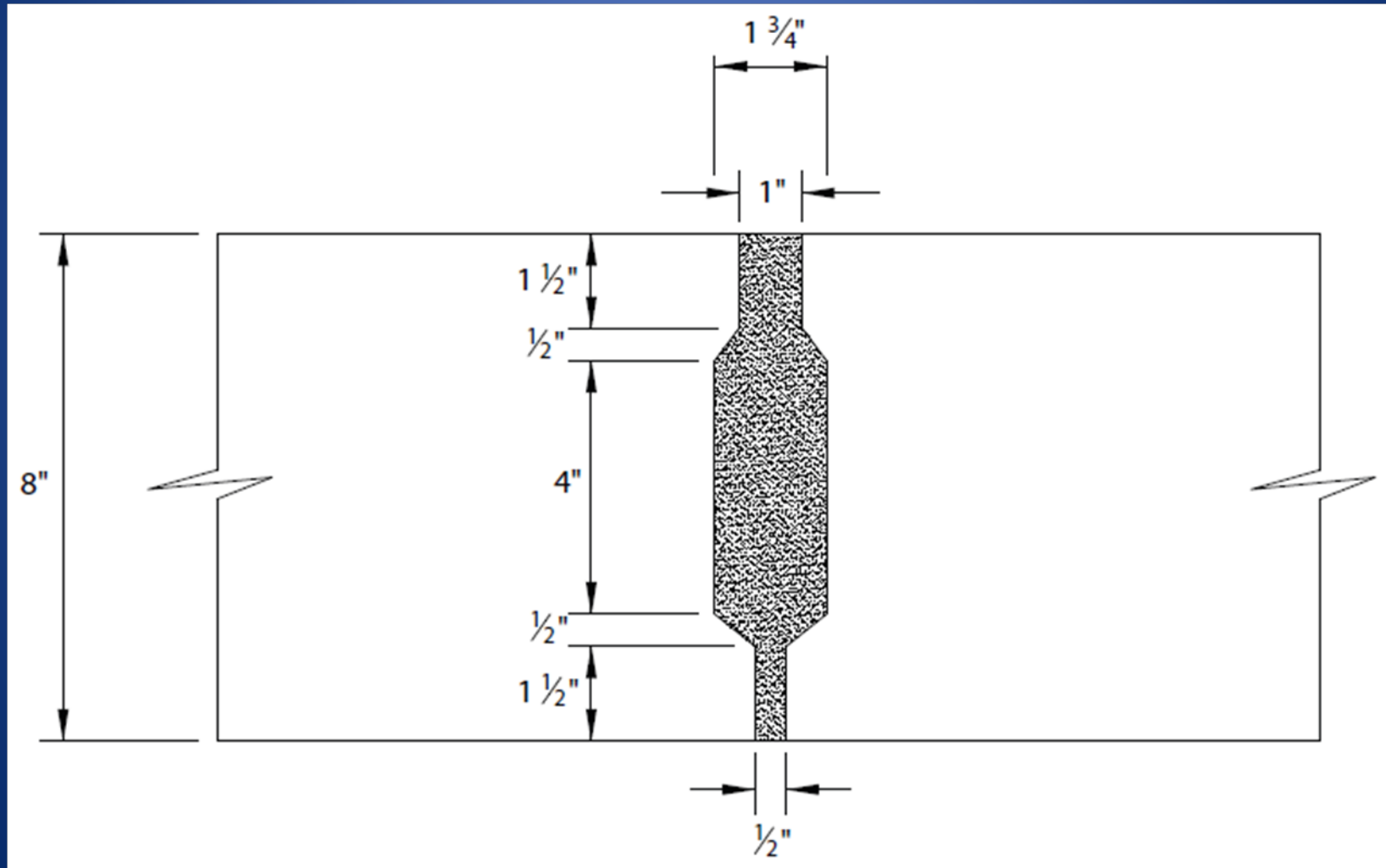


Cracking, spalling & leakage were observed.

Due to elevation adjusts and fabrication tolerances , the tongue/groove detail did not provide 100% match.

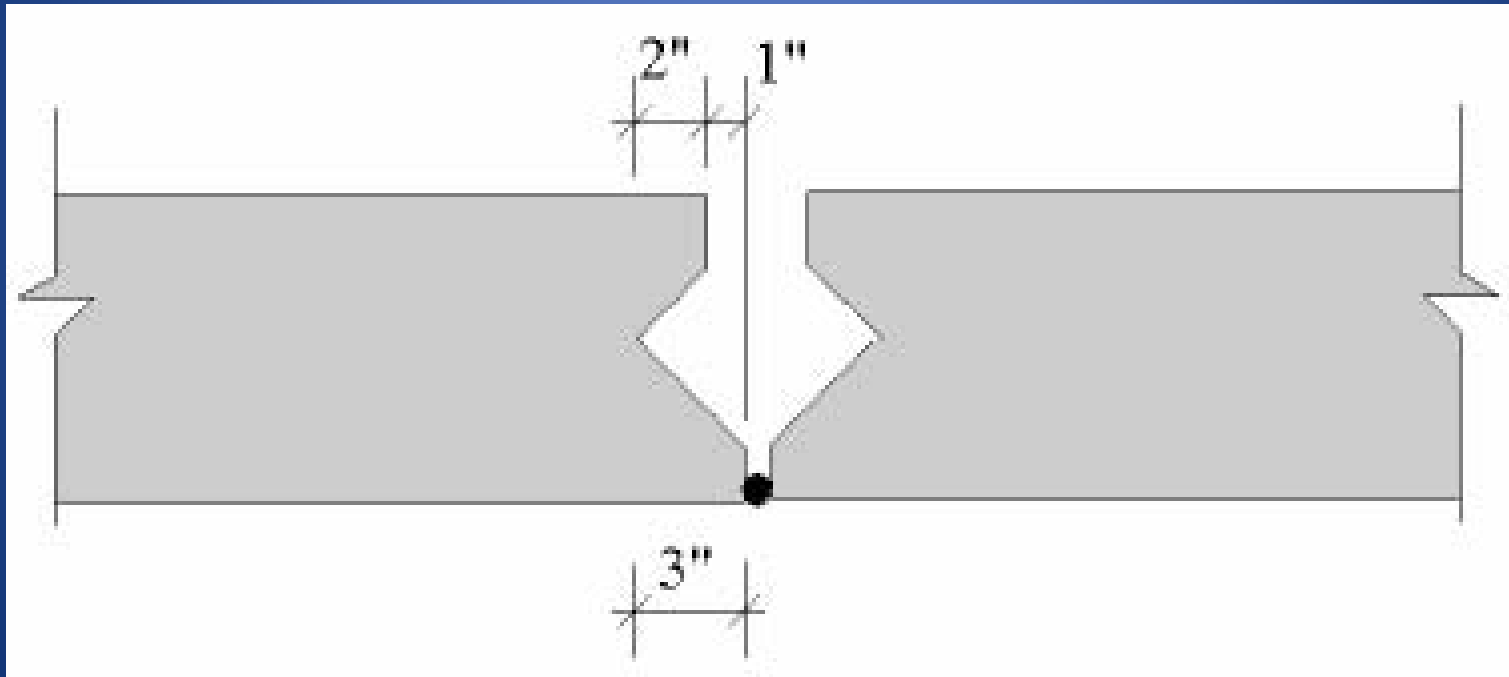
Female-to-Female Shear Key

Bulb Shape (NCHRP 12-41)

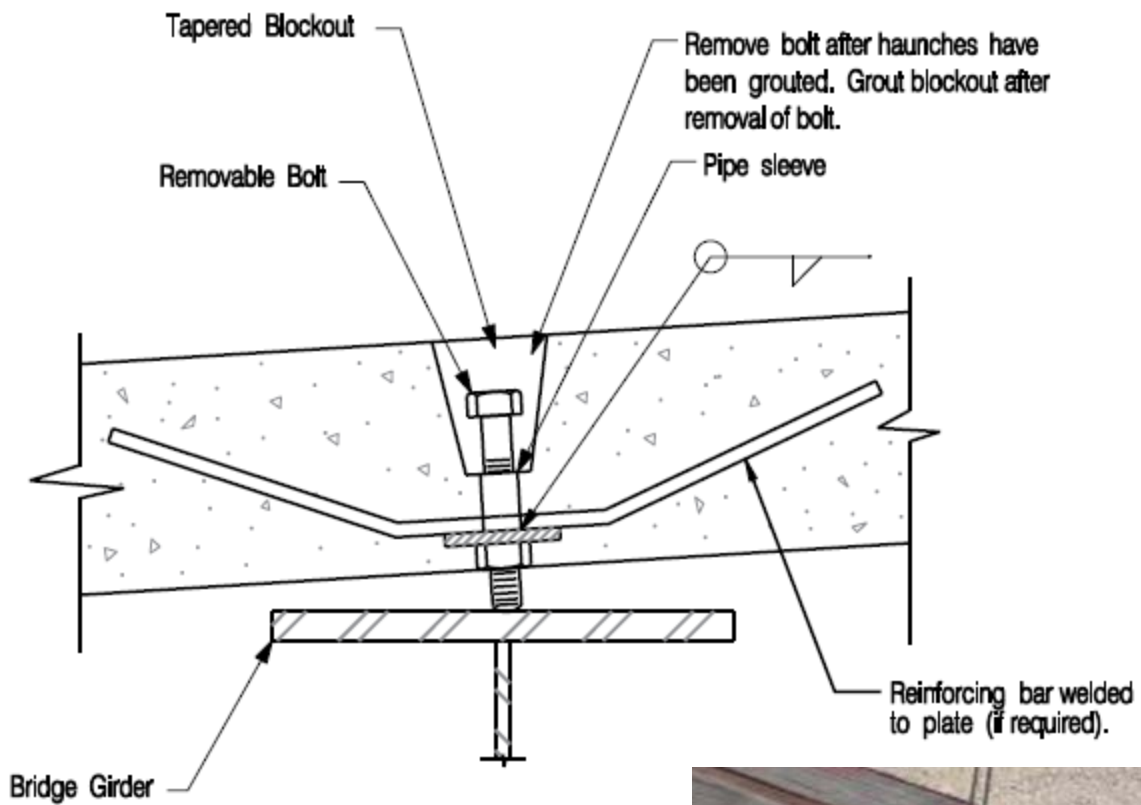


Female-to-Female Shear Key

Diamond Shape (NCHRP 12-41)



More flexible detail with higher level of mechanical interlocking capacity



TYPICAL SECTION
LEVELING DEVICE



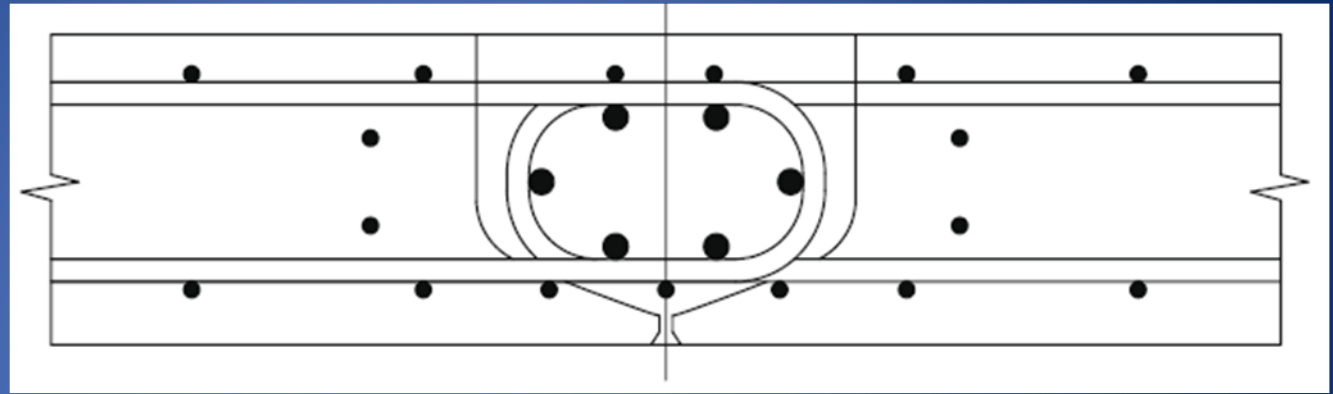
Leveling Bolts

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Splicing Longitudinal Reinforcement

Case 1: Reinforcing Bars, No PT

Overlapping U-bars

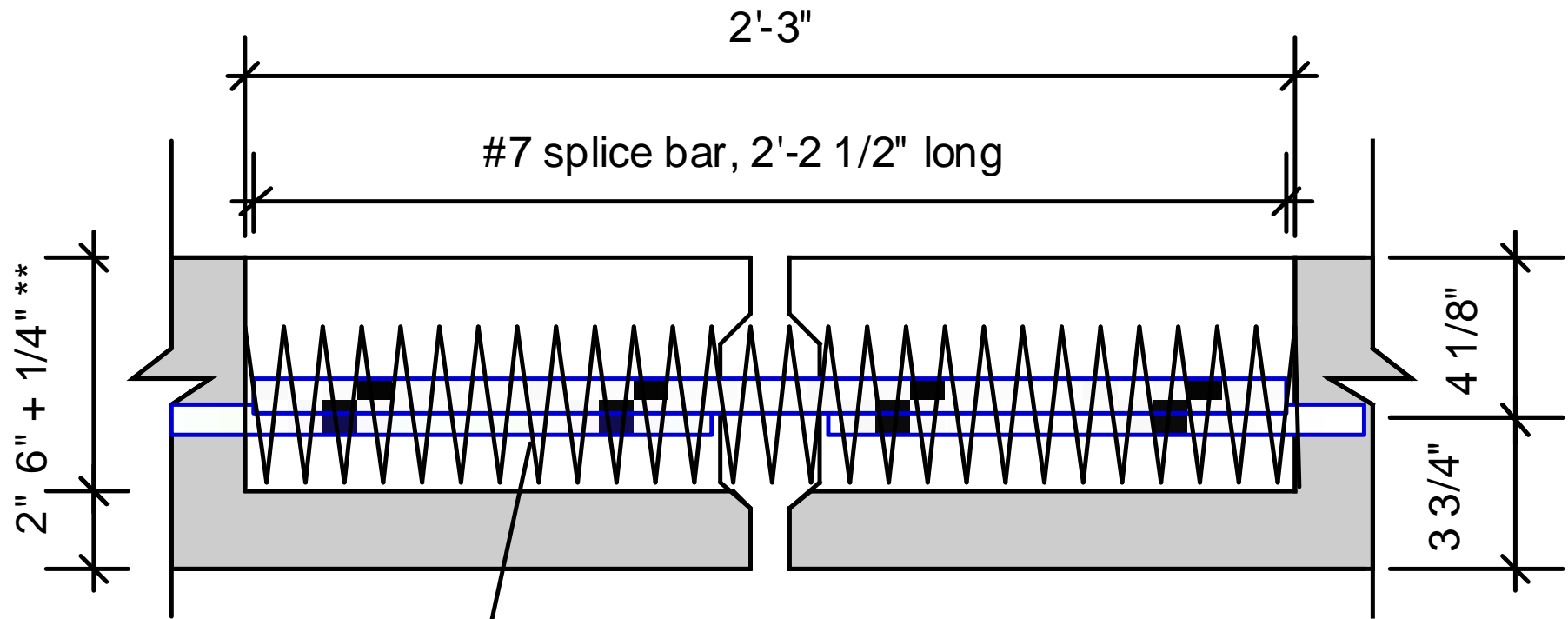


Notes

- Extending bars outside the panels
- Bending diameter vs the panel thickness
- Use U-shape bars separate from panel reinforcement



Bill Emerson Memorial Bridge, Missouri DOT



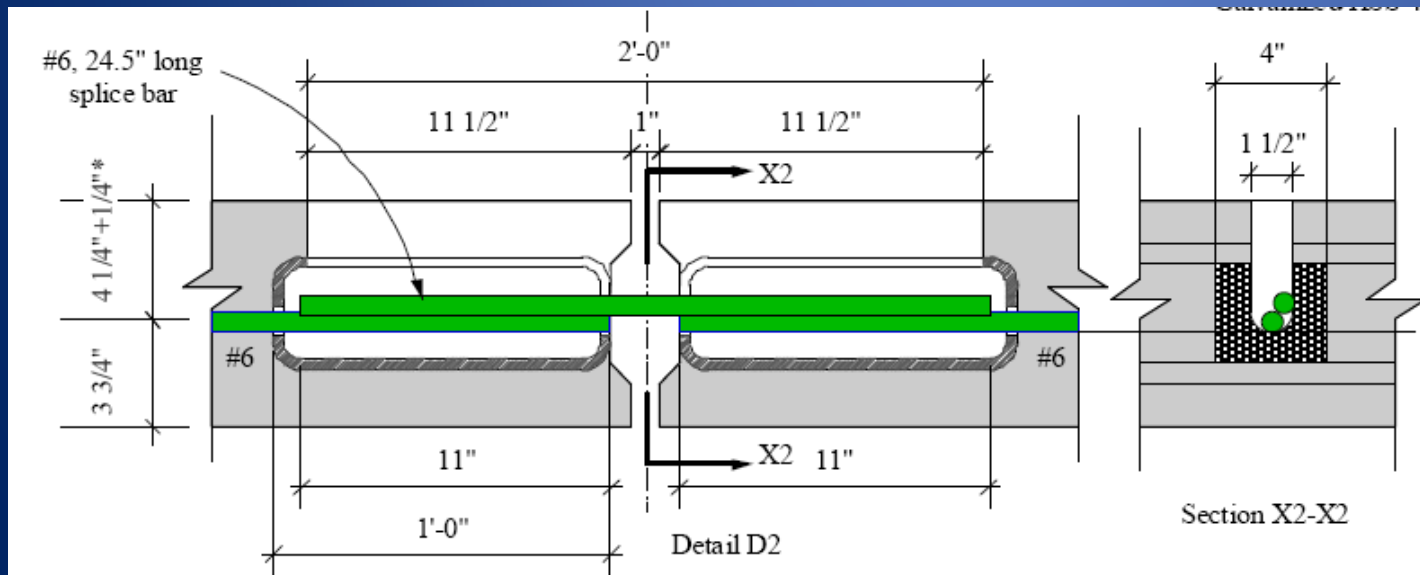
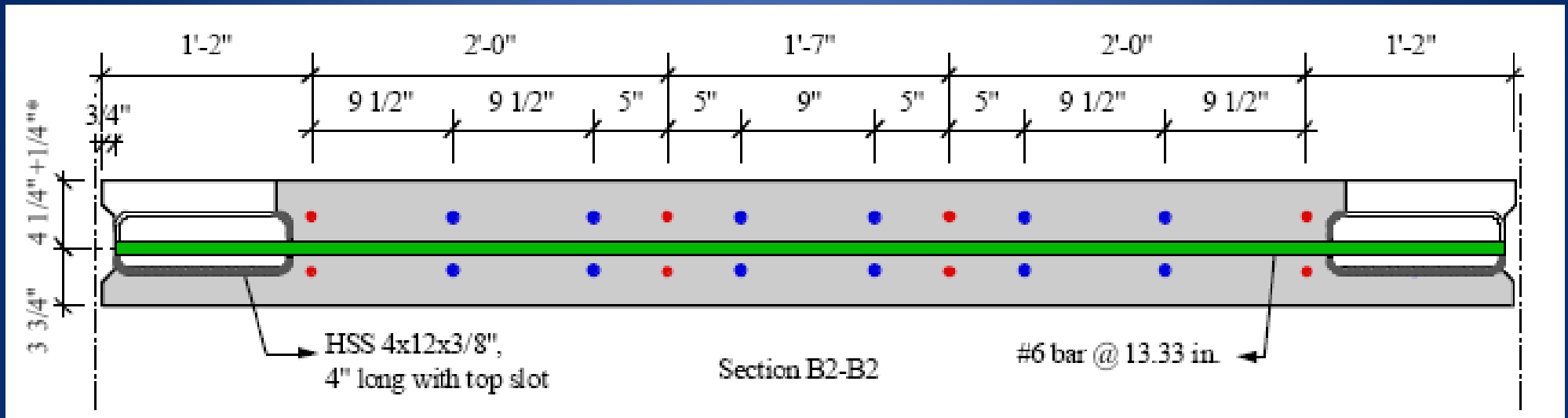
4" OD, 1" pitch, 27" long,
1/4" diameter wire



Using HS Spirals NCHRP 12-41

Using Open Steel Tubes

NCHRP 12-65

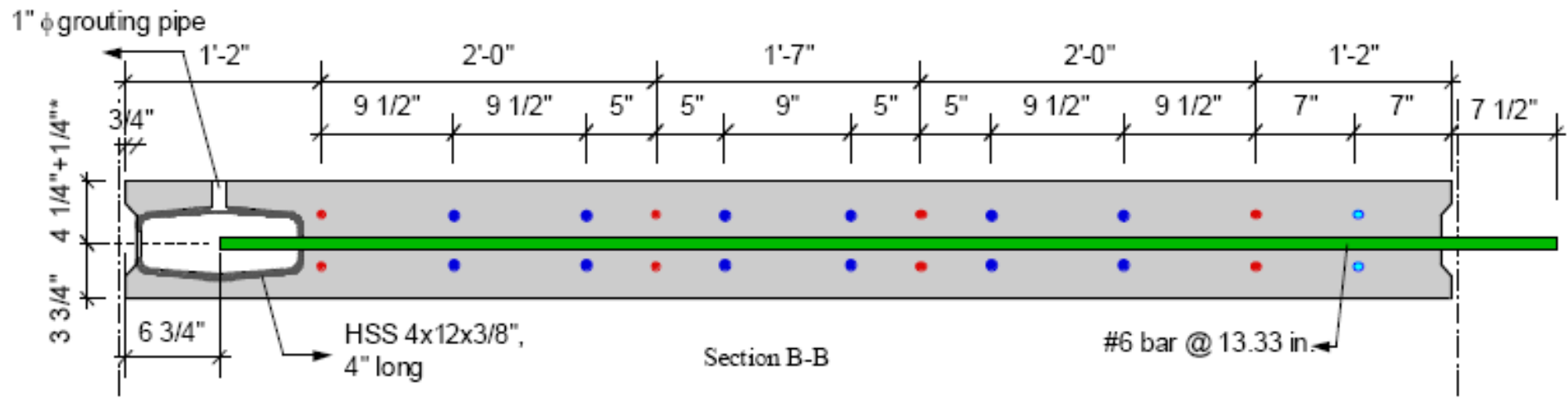


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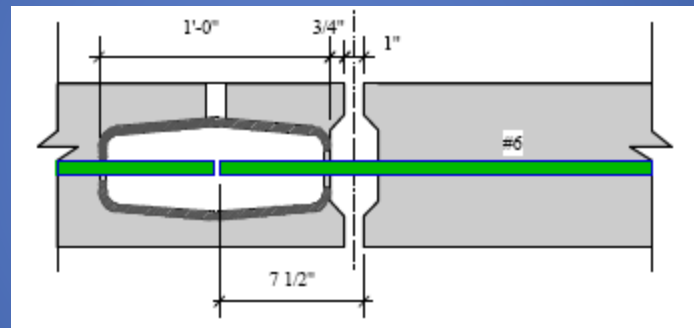
Notes

- Alignment of slots
- Tight fabrication tolerance
- Durability was enhanced by minimizing the exposed surface area of the grout (using hidden shear pockets and the open steel tube detail for splicing the longitudinal reinforcement)



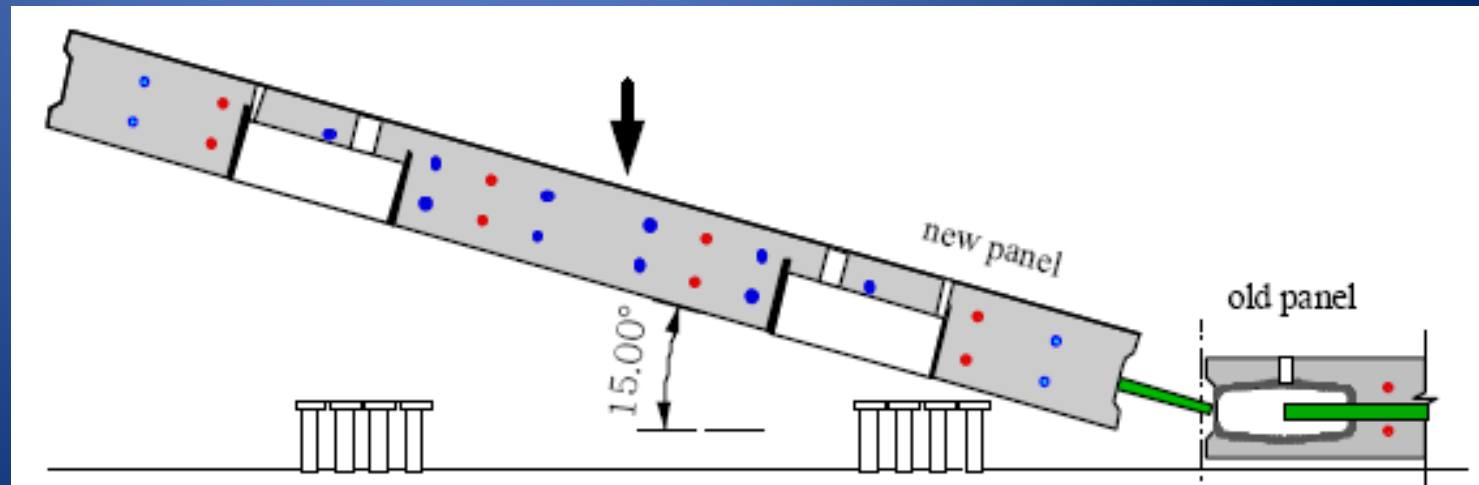


Using Closed Steel Tubes (NCHRP 12-65)



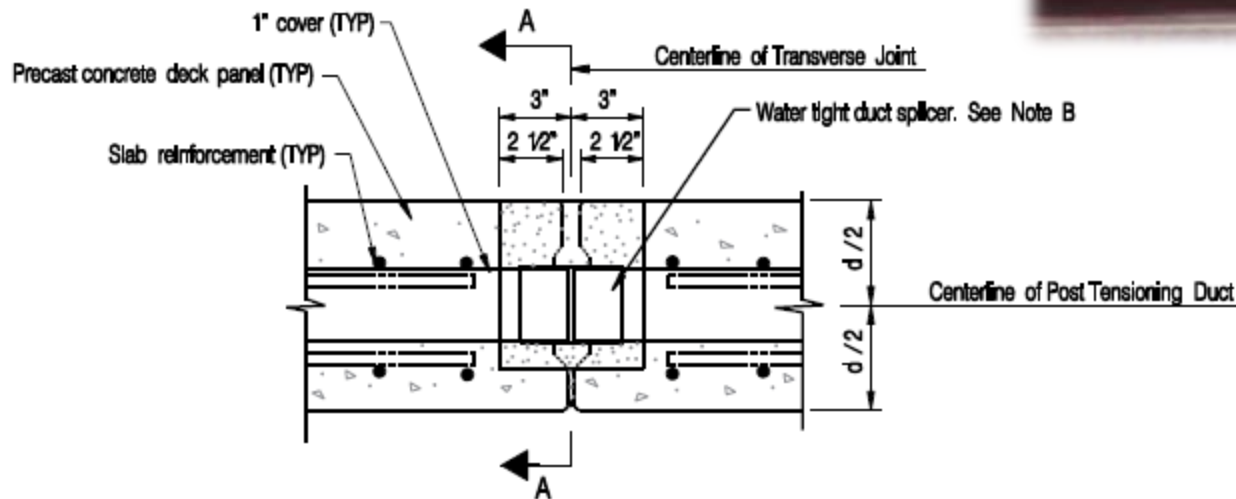
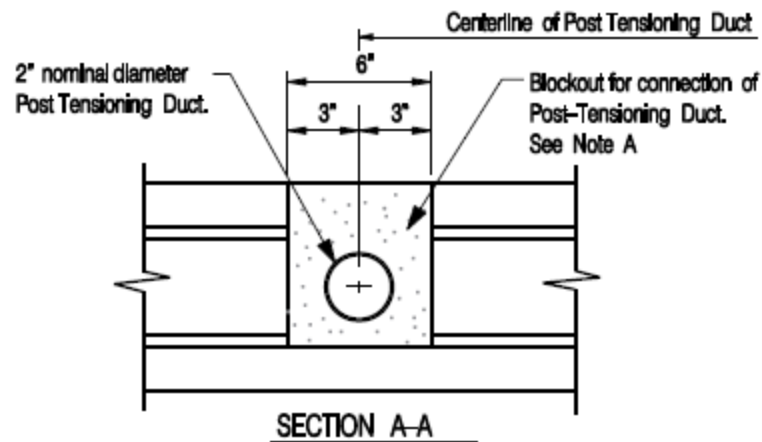
Notes

- Tilting panels during installation



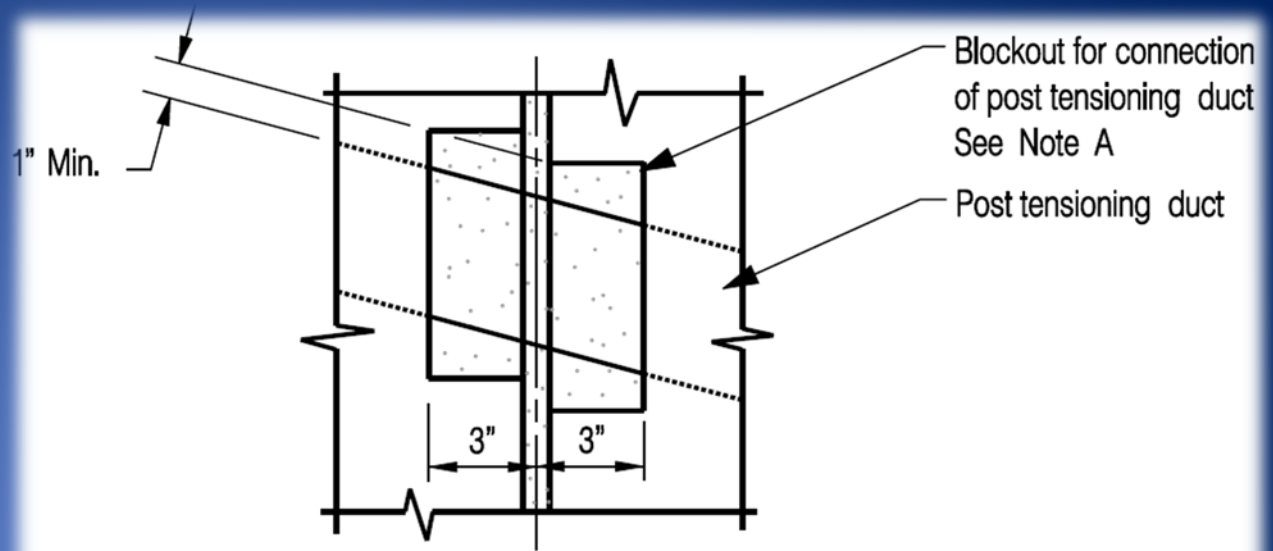
Splicing Longitudinal Reinforcement

Case 2: Longitudinal Post Tensioning



longitudinal PT is distributed over the width of the panel

I-39/90 Bridge over Door Creek, McFarland, Wis.



PLAN - BLOCKOUT FOR POST-TENSIONING DUCT



Notes

- Pocket is wide enough to allow for splicing of the ducts

NUDECK

**Skyline Bridge
Omaha,
Nebraska**

NCHRP 12-41

longitudinal
PT is
concentrated
at girder lines

**Note:
Continuously
open channel,
one line of
studs, visible
strand for
longitudinal PT**



Transverse joints must be
grouted before the
longitudinal PT tendons
are tensioned



I-39/90 Bridge over Door Creek, MacFarland, Wis



Special end panel
is required for
anchorage of the
PT strands

Skyline Bridge, Omaha, Nebraska

- PT done with a small jack, borrowed from UNL Lab
- Contractor worker was trained by UNL technician
- Anchorage plate was locally fabricated





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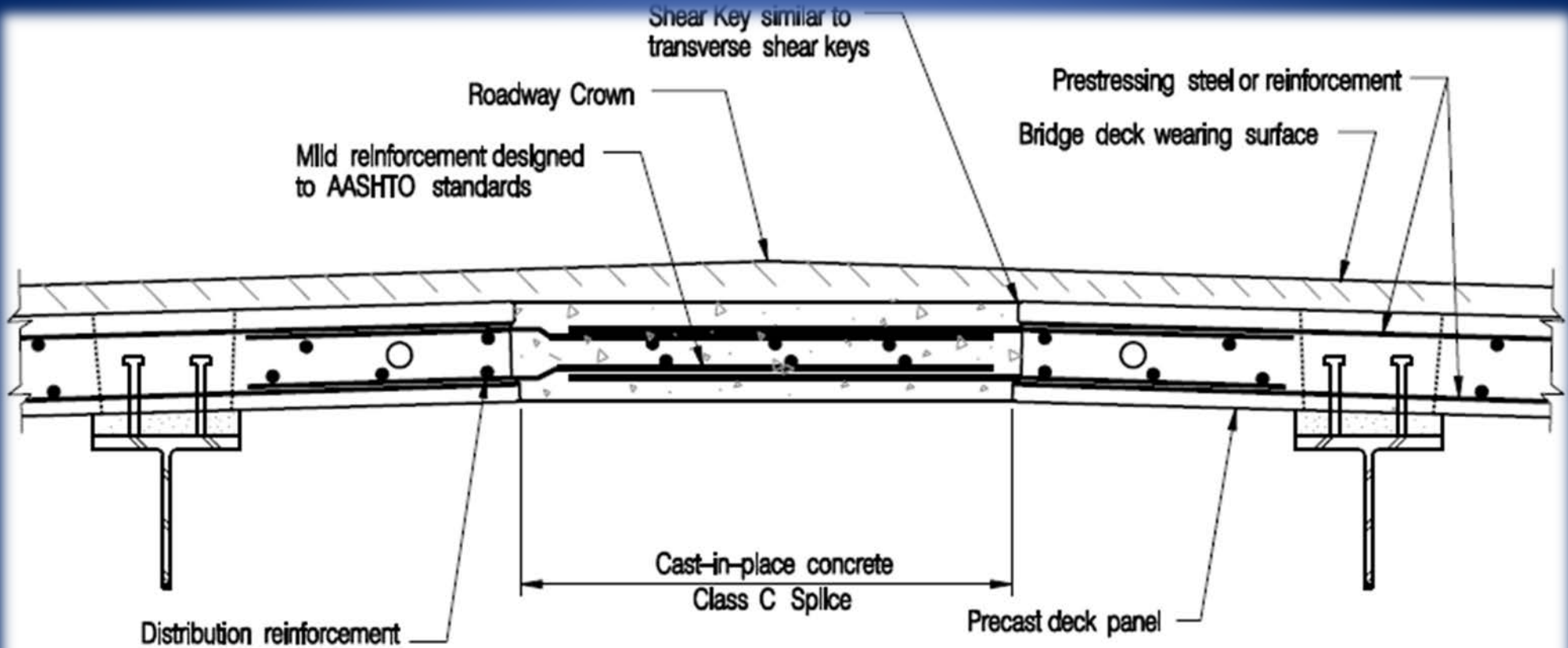
Longitudinal PT ducts are grouted



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Grout shear pockets and haunches

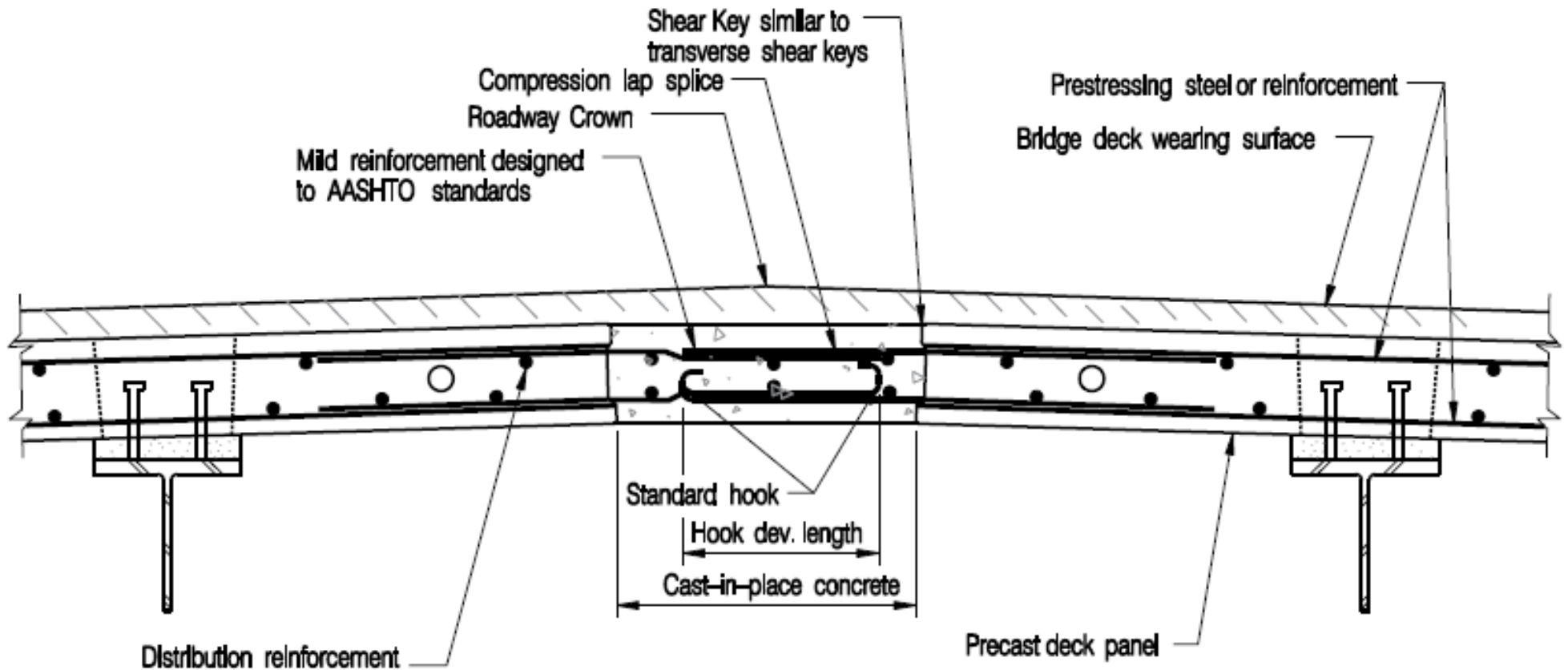
Panel-to-Panel Longitudinal Connection



TYPICAL SECTION – ROADWAY CROWN DETAILS WITH A LAP SPLICE

It is recommended to create the connection in a positive moment area

Panel to Panel Longitudinal Connection



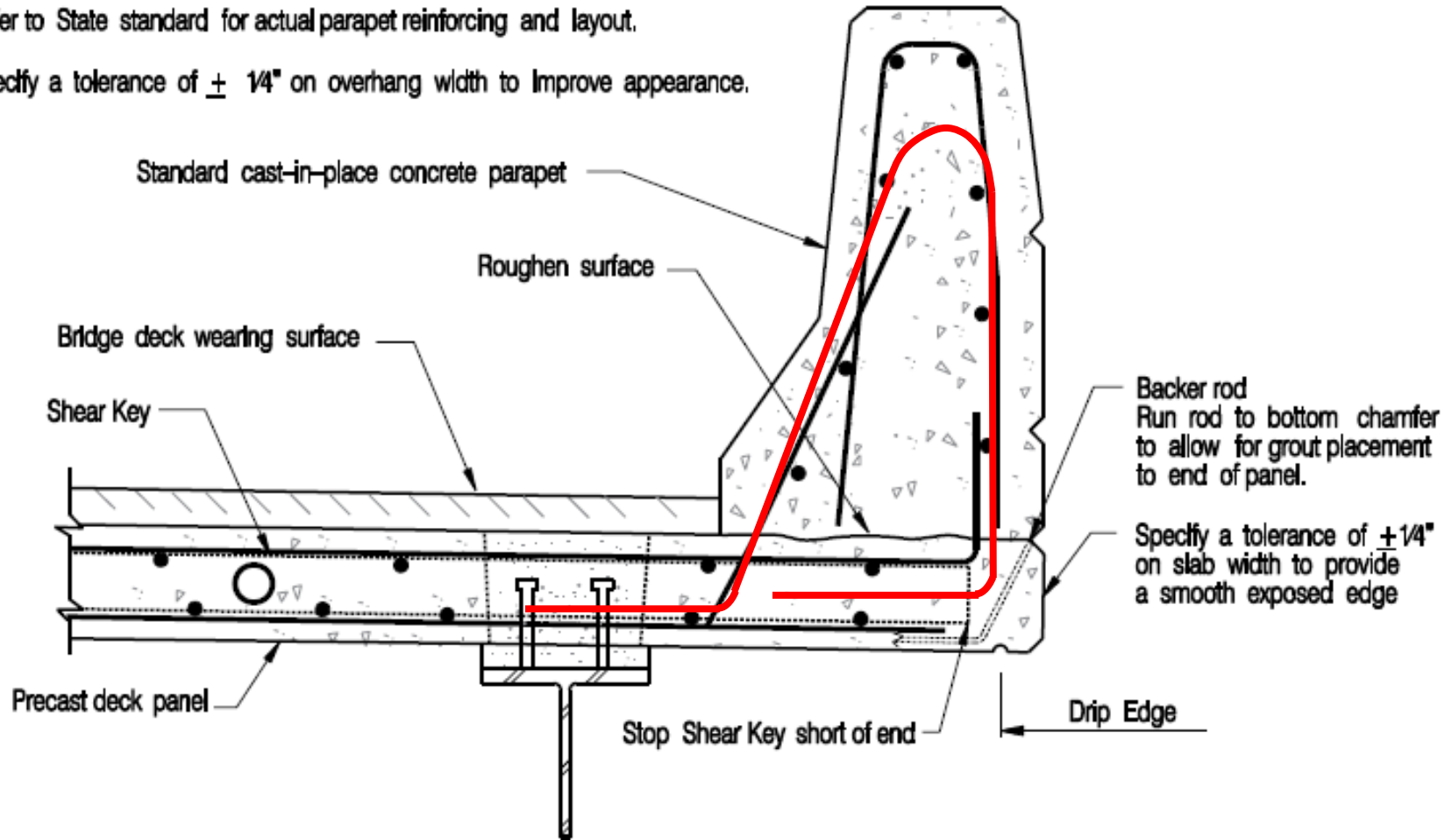
Note: Rotate hook bar to provide adequate top cover.

TYPICAL SECTION - ROADWAY CROWN DETAILS WITH A NARROW CLOSURE POUR

Panel to Barrier Connection

NOTES: Refer to State standard for actual parapet reinforcing and layout.

Specify a tolerance of $\pm 1/4"$ on overhang width to improve appearance.

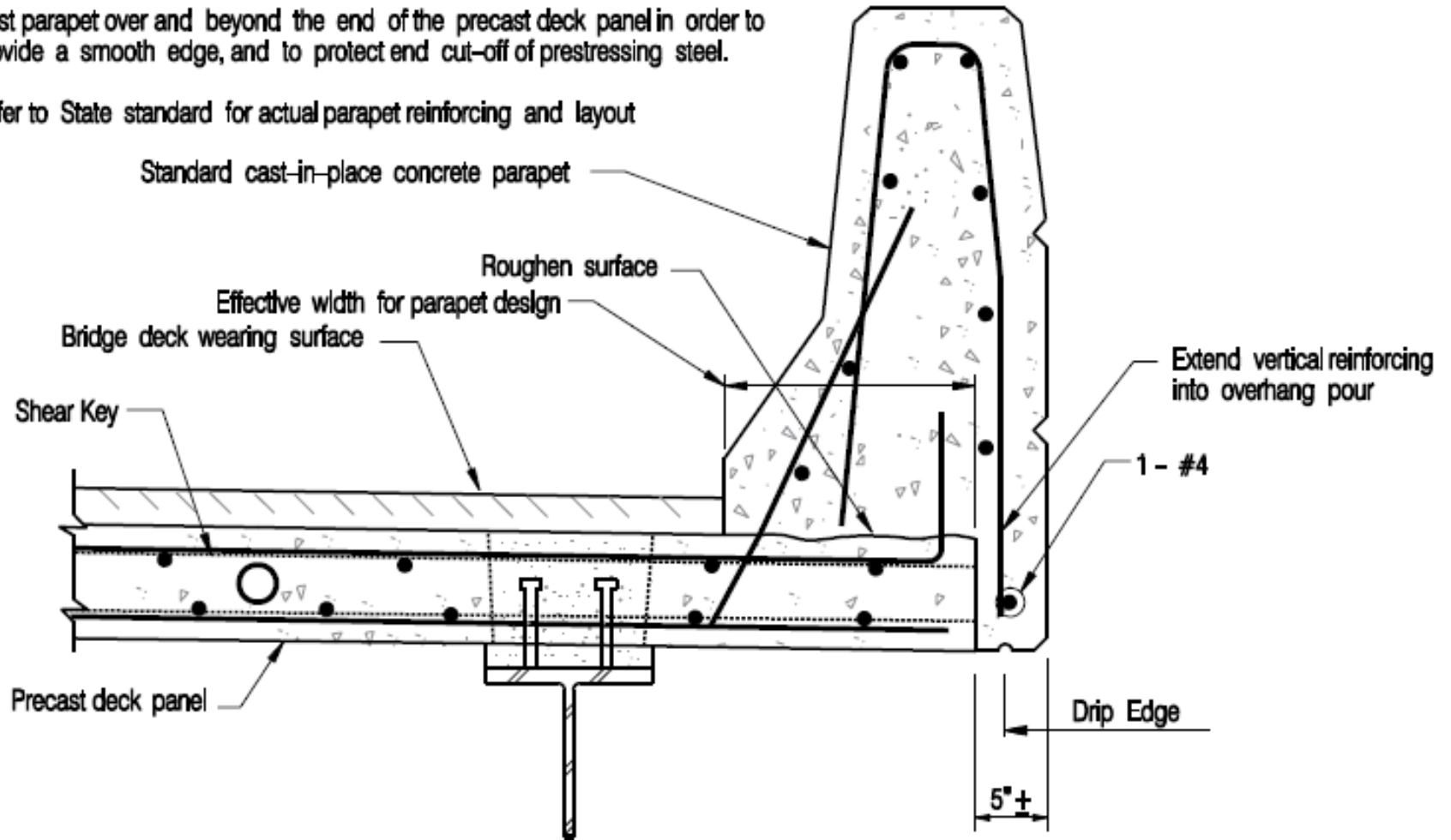


TYPICAL SECTION - PARAPET DETAILS WITH EXPOSED EDGE

Panel-to-Barrier Connection

NOTES: Cast parapet over and beyond the end of the precast deck panel in order to provide a smooth edge, and to protect end cut-off of prestressing steel.

Refer to State standard for actual parapet reinforcing and layout



TYPICAL SECTION - PARAPET DETAILS COVERING EDGE

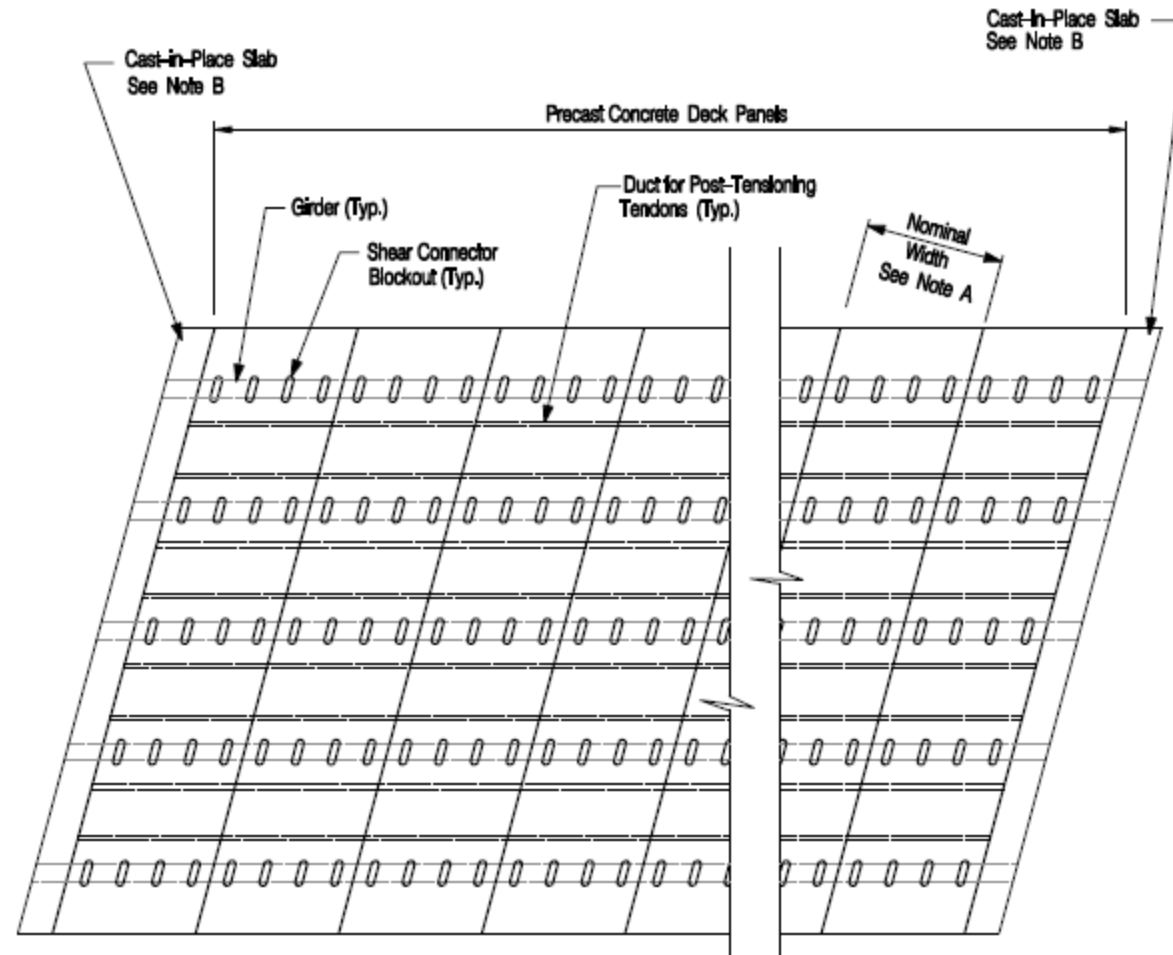
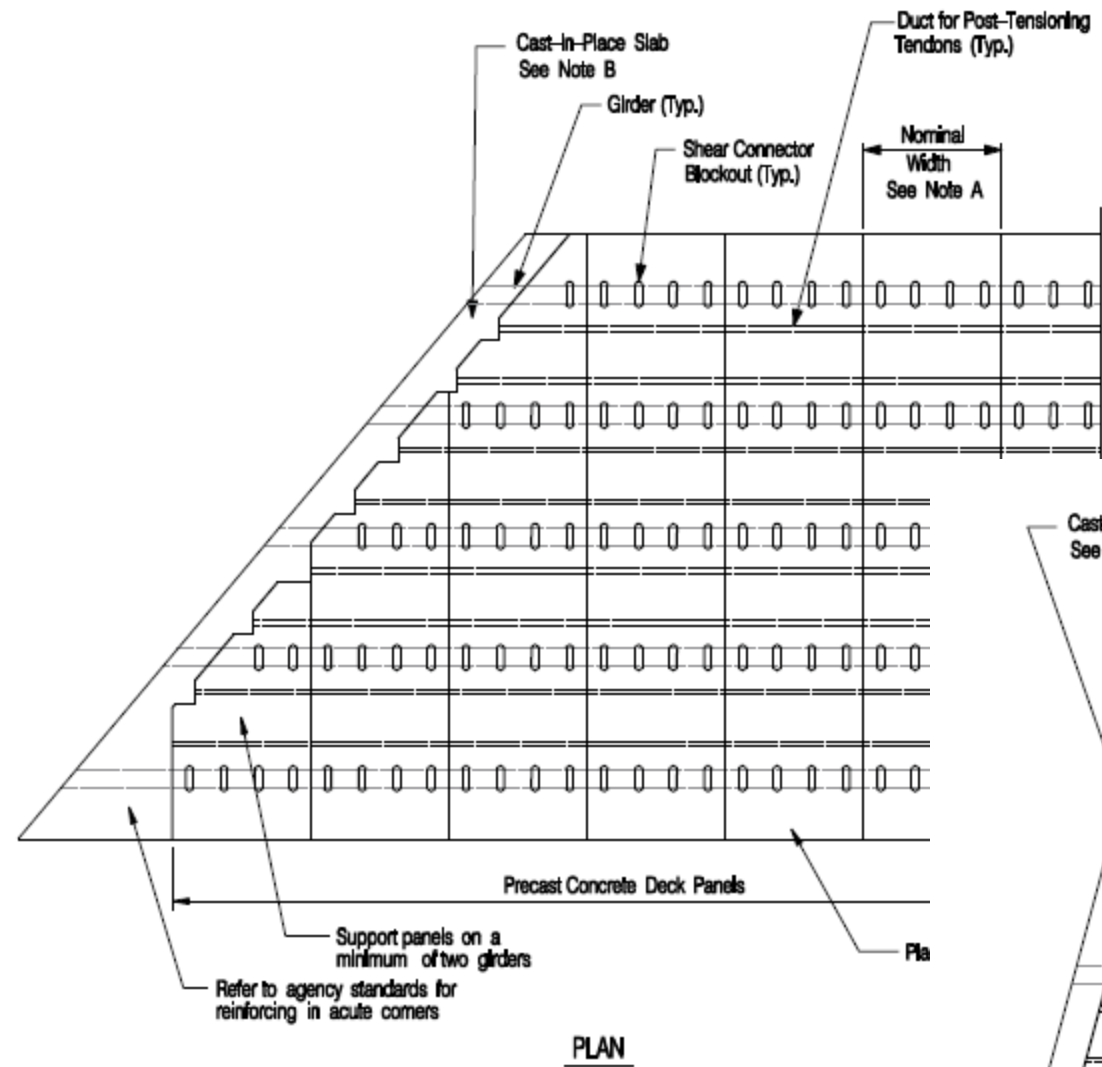
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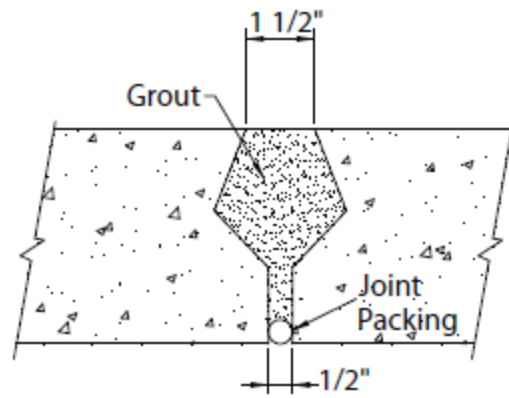
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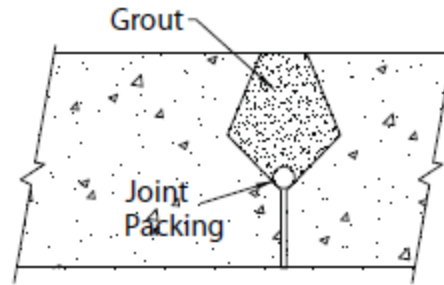


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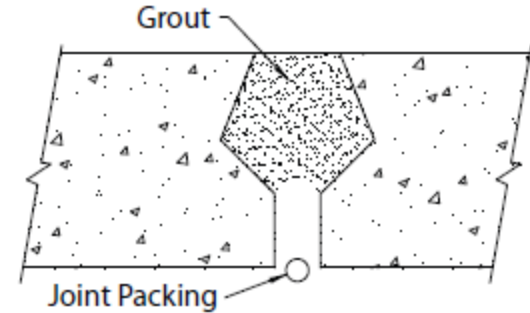




JOINT AS DESIGNED



TIGHT TOLERANCE



LOOSE TOLERANCE

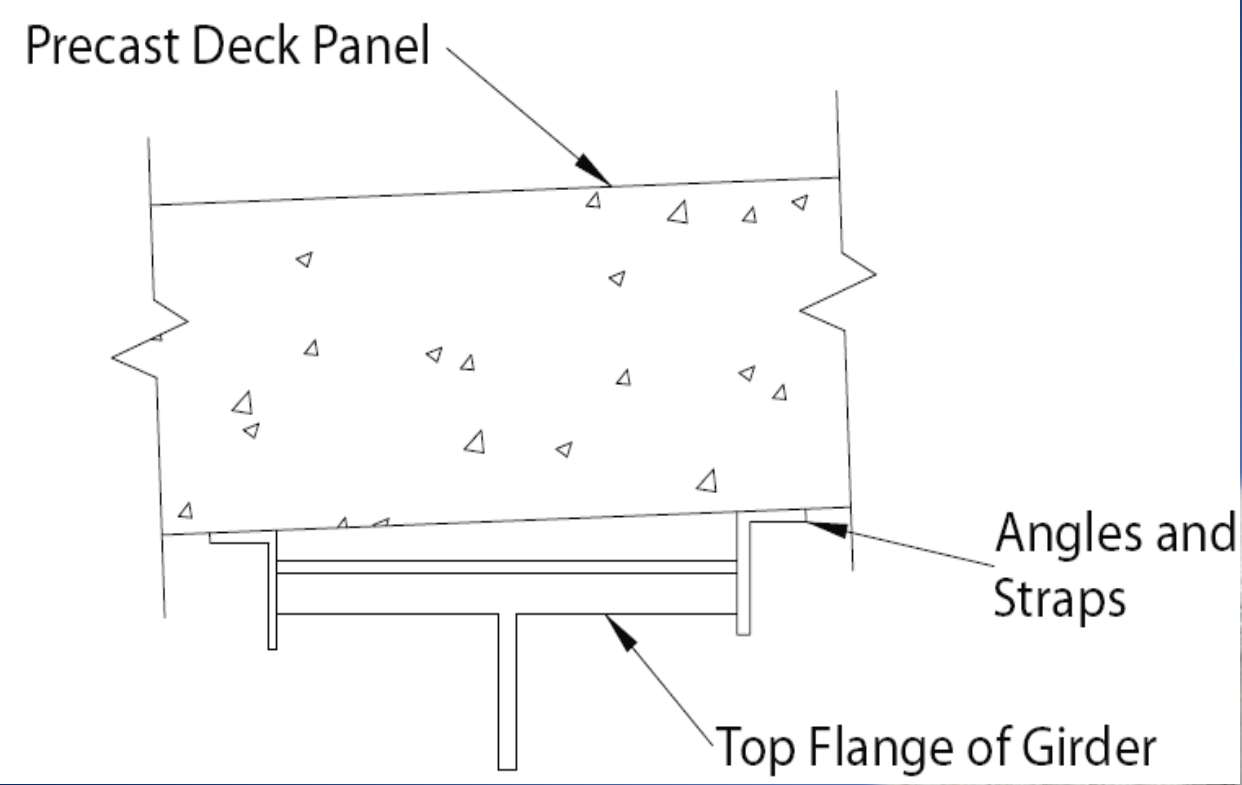
Building Grout Barriers for Transverse Connections





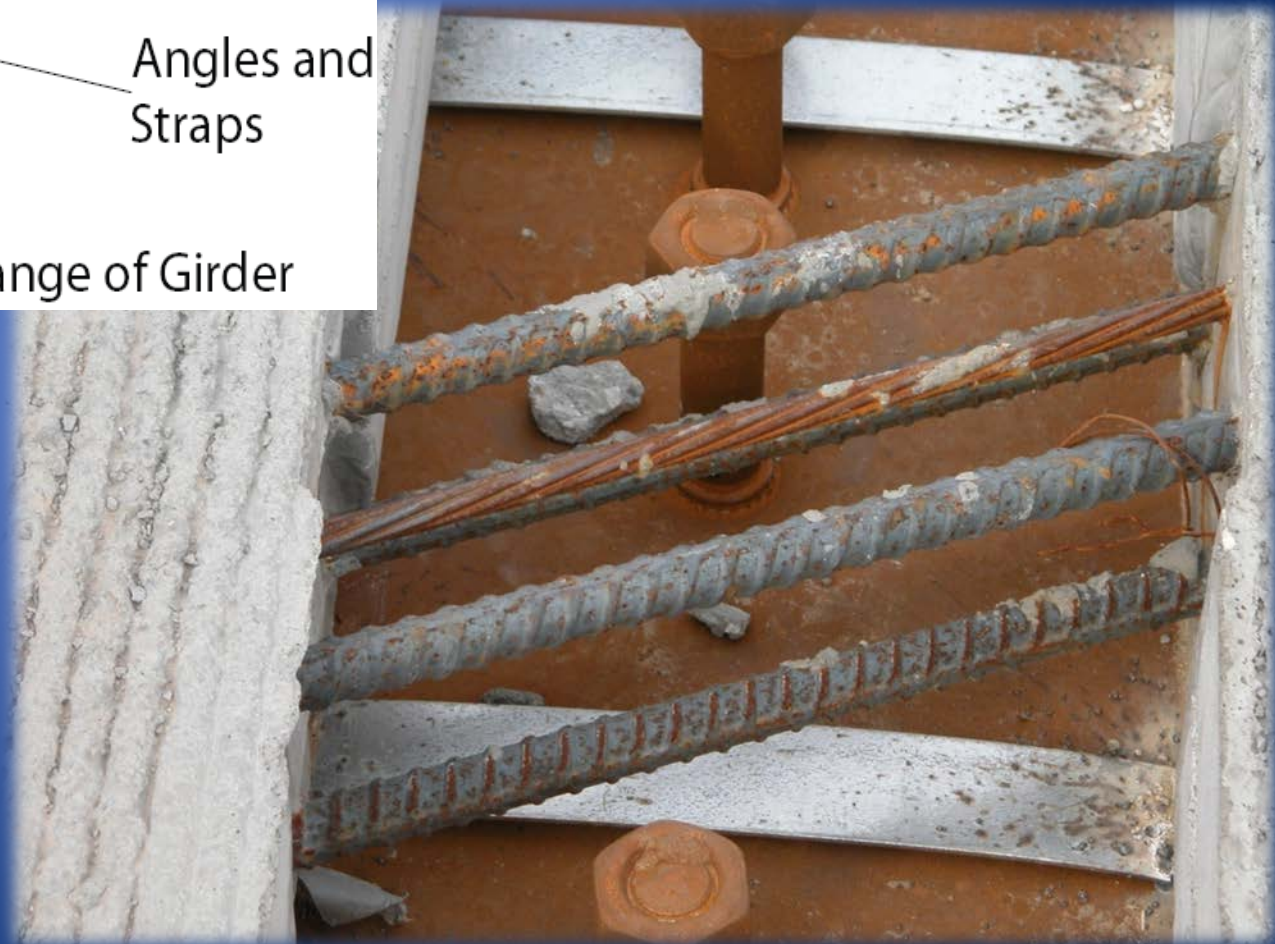
Grout Barriers for Haunches
(between the Deck and the Girders)

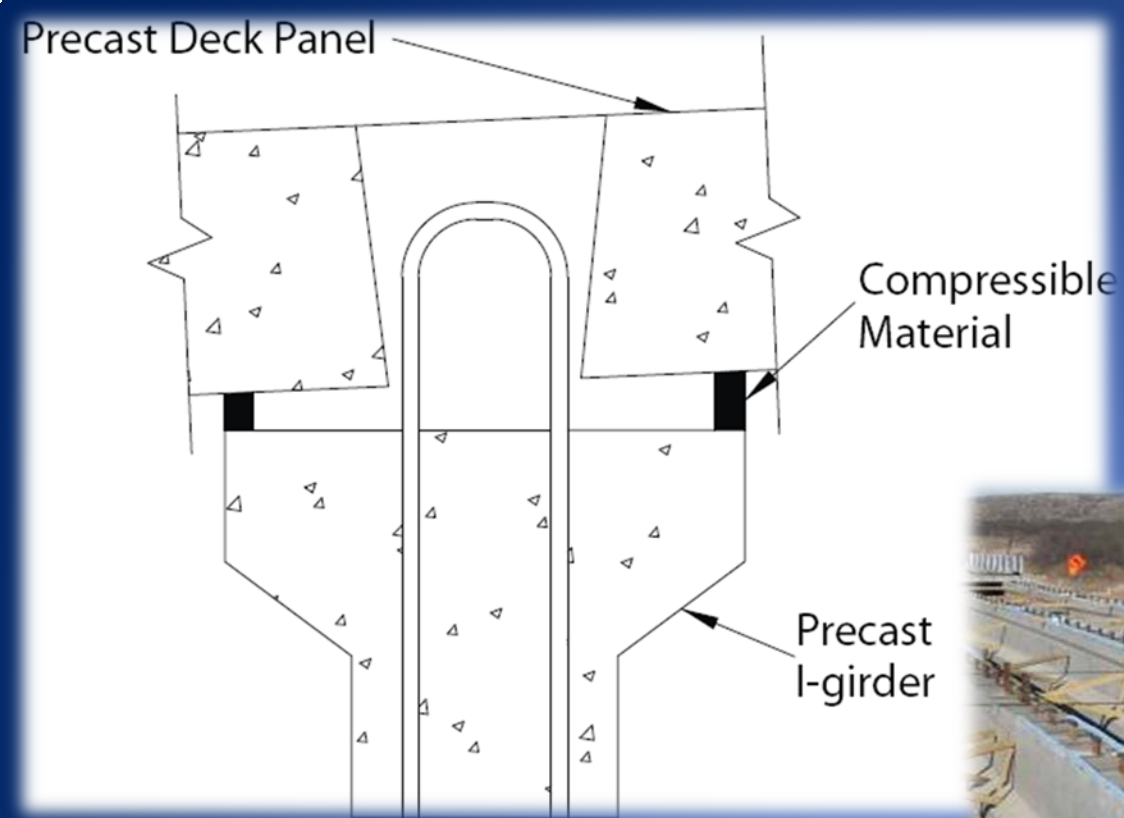
Using wood forms



Skyline Bridge, Omaha, Nebraska

Grout Barriers
for Haunches
Using steel
angles





**Grout Barriers
for Haunches**
Using compressible
material

Overlay Options

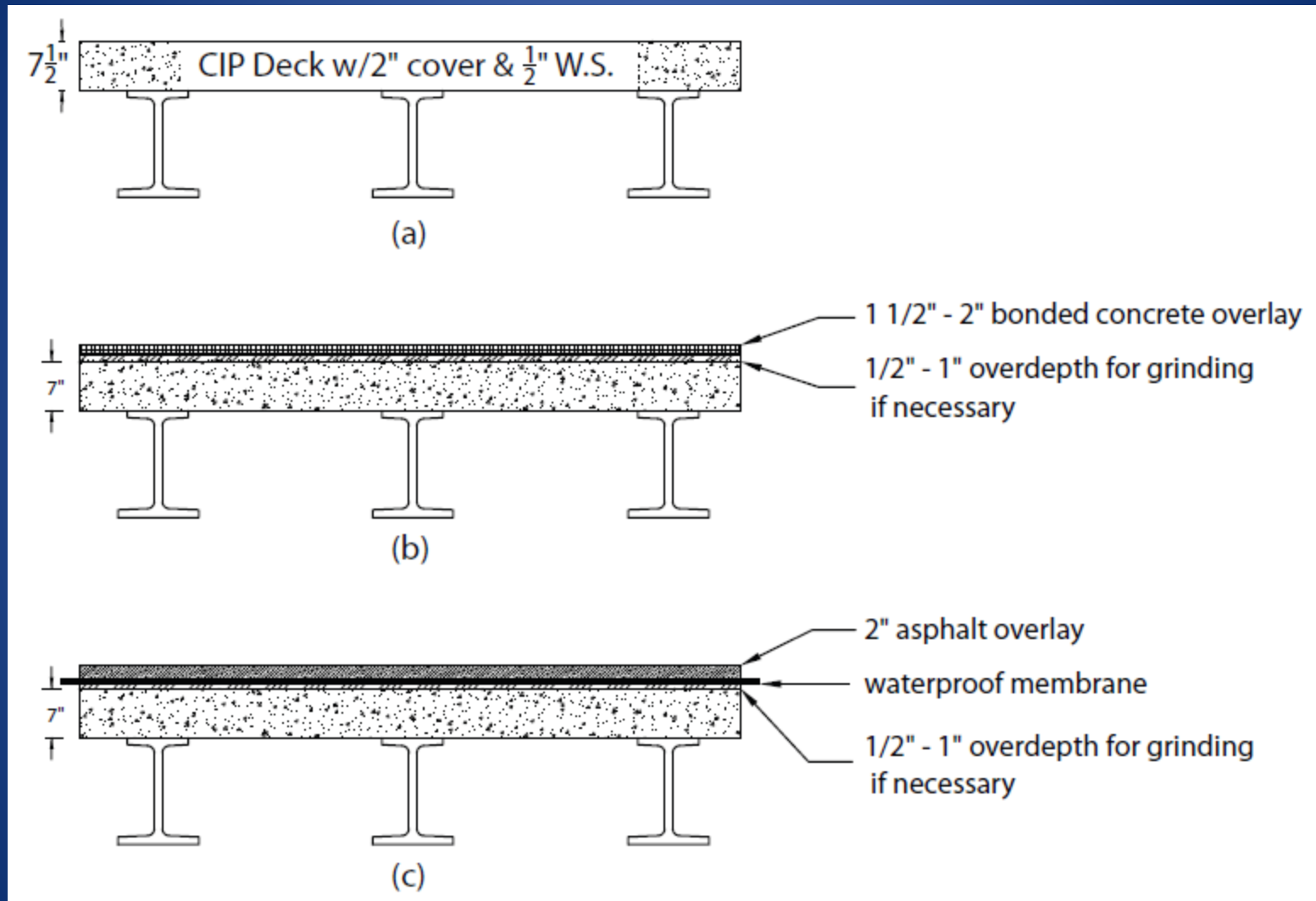


Figure 4.4.2-1. Wearing and protection systems include: (a) typical CIP deck (reference), (b) bonded concrete overlay, (c) waterproof membrane overlaid with asphalt, (d) epoxy overlay, (e) monolithic concrete overlay, (f) low permeability panel with no overlay.

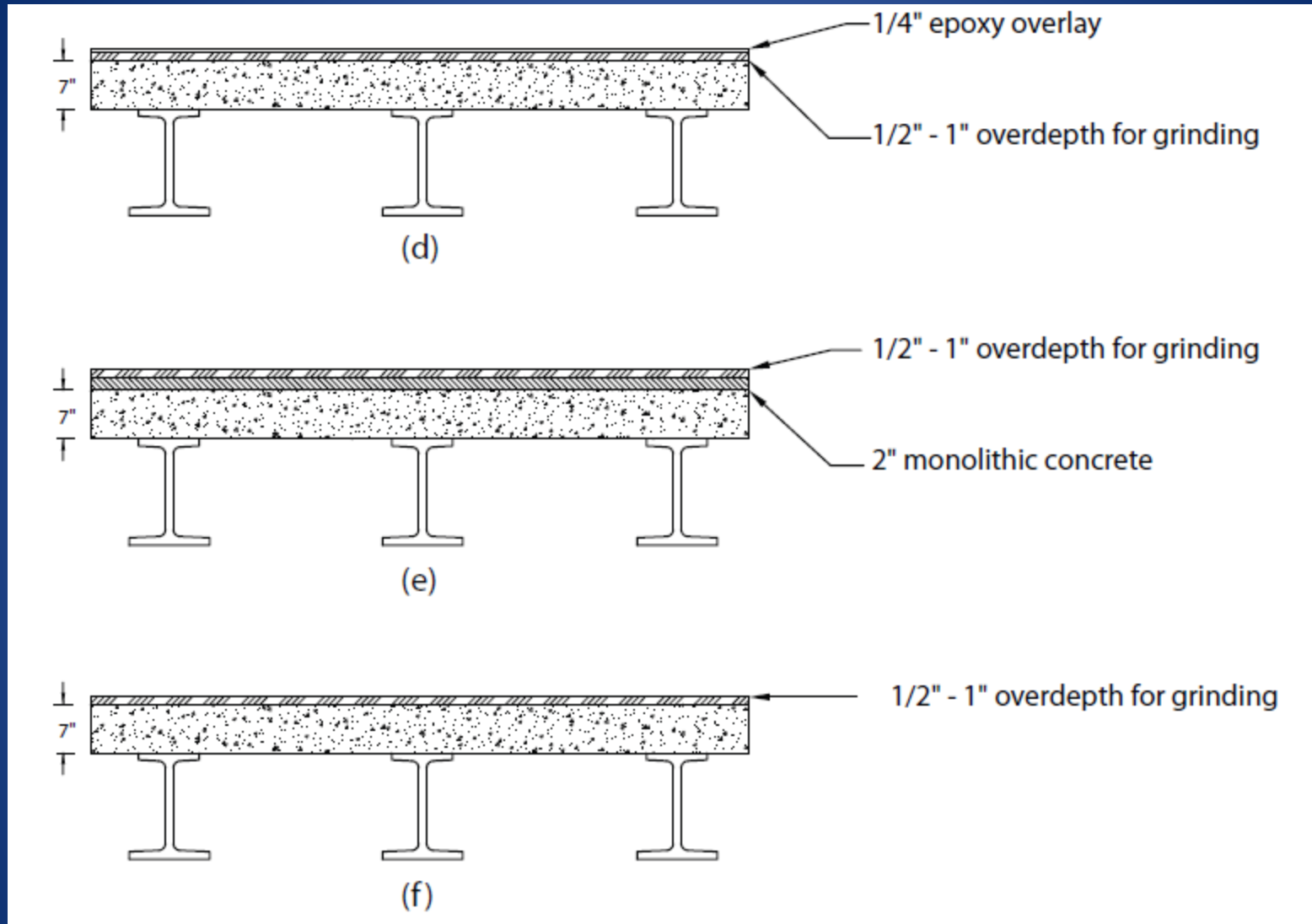


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Overlay Options

- The least expensive option is Option “f”.
Provide an extra “wearing surface” thickness.
Use standard roadway profiling grinders to smooth out the surface
- Provide extra protection of the reinforcement.
- Discoloration due at grouted joints and pockets may be objectionable by some owners.

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| C.3 US-24 Mississippi River Bridge; Quincy, Ill. | |
| C.4 Seneca Bridge; LaSalle County, Ill. | |
| C.5 George Washington Memorial Parkway over Dead Run and Turkey Run; Washington, D.C. | |
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APPENDIX D – DESIGN EXAMPLE

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Available Resources

[PCI \(www.pci.org\)](http://www.pci.org)



- *State-of-the-art Report On Full-depth Precast Concrete Bridge Deck Panels*, PCI Report No. SOA - 01-1911 (2011)
- *Full Depth Deck Panels Guidelines For Accelerated Bridge Deck Replacement Or Construction*, PCI Report No. PCINER-11-FDDP, 2nd edition (2011)
- *PCI Journal Papers* (30+ papers, 1970s-2011). Citation of many of these papers is provided in the SOA report.

Available Resources

NCHRP reports (<http://www.trb.org/NCHRP/NCHRPProjects.aspx>)

- M. Tadros et al., “*Rapid Replacement of Bridge Decks,*” NCHRP 12-41, Report # 407 (1998)
- S. Badie & M. Tadros, “*Full-Depth, Precast-Concrete Bridge Deck Panel Systems,*” NCHRP 12-65, Report # 584 (2008)
- C. French et al., “*Evaluation of CIP Reinforced Joints for Full-Depth Precast Concrete Bridge Decks,*” NCHRP 10-71, Web only document 173 (2011)

Available Resources

Miscellaneous

- DOT Reports
- Journal papers:
 - ASCE Bridge Journal,
 - ACI Structural Journal,
 - Concrete International.....





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