



GILMANSBRIDGE

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UCSD Gilman Bridge - Project Overview





UCSD Long Range Development Plan

Internal Loop Road Concept



UCSD Jacobs Medical Center

UCSD Medical East Campus Projects (Over \$2B New Construction)

- Jacobs Medical Center
- JMC Central Plant
- Altman Clinic & Translational Research

BioMed 2 Building

- East Campus Central Plant Expansion
- East Campus Parking Structure
- East Campus Pavilion
- BioMed 2 Building
- East Campus Office Building

Altman Clinic & Translational Research

SANDAG Mid-Coast LRT





Project History Advanced Technology Bridge













Project History Advanced Technology Bridge

1990's Conceptual Design, Lab Testing

- May 2003 –
 65% Design
 \$12M (\$21M in
 2015 dollars)
- Oct 2003 Value
 Engineering
- Summer 2004 –
 Project
 Discontinued



Project Limits and Design Concept



- Expand west and north legs of Gilman Drive to accommodate future traffic
- Tie into existing Medical Center Drive
- Tie into VA driveway to provide access to VA, but no construction on VA property
- Design is compatible with I-5 and LRT projects



Bridge Typical Section



- Conforms to New Gilman Drive Roadway
- 11 ft through lanes, 10 ft turn lane
- 5 ft bike lanes
- 10 ft sidewalk on north, 6 ft sidewalk on south
- California ST-10 bridge rail modified with architectural details





Initial Bridge Concepts Hand Sketches, Feb 2011

- Which bridge types are feasible?
- Most appropriate for the site?
- What would UCSD want?
- What would Caltrans approve?
- Simple concrete bridge:
 - Economical
 - Durable
 - Low maintenance
 - Proven system
 - Used elsewhere by Caltrans





Bridge Concept 1 Standard Two-span Box Girder

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Bridge Concept 2 Haunched Box Girder

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Bridge Concept 3 Three-span Frame with Inclined Legs



Bridge Concept 4 Three-span Arch

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Is Arch Feasible at this Site?

- Geometry is appropriate (40 ft height)
- Formation can support thrust
- Concrete in compression (durable)
- Has been used before by Caltrans locally
 - Adams Ave OC at I-15, 1970 (SR=98.3)
 - Eastgate Mall OC at I-805, 1971 (SR=95.1)
 - W Lilac Rd OC at I-15, 1978 (SR=99.9)













Architectural Features and Site Influence







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Future I-5 Corridor Heading South





Future I-5 Corridor Heading North – View 1





Future I-5 Corridor Heading North – View 2

Photo Simulations





Existing Interstate 5 Northbound

Photo Simulations





Interim Interstate 5 Northbound

Photo Simulations





Ultimate Interstate 5 Northbound

Structural Design



 Low profile arch will have large horizontal thrust on the foundations





Geotechnical Conditions





- Borings at abutments and arch foundations
- Scripps Formation (siltstone/claystone/sandstone)
- Ardath Shale
- Formation can provide required strength
- Stiffness varies and is relatively low



Finite Element Modeling with Plaxis



FE Model Mesh (West Profile) Showing Close-Up of Footing

- Model subsurface geometry and arch footings with 2D plane strain model
- Calibrate soil parameters based on in-situ and lab tests
- Apply footing load
- Check footing displacements against bridge performance requirements



Deformed Mesh (Exaggerated) Showing Close-Up of Footing







Structure and Foundation Concepts

- **1**. Connect abutment to arch foundation with inclined strut
- 2. Use micropiles in lieu of slurry backfill





Design Refinement



• Struts connect superstructure to foundations to reduce arch thrust



Construction Sequence







NO SCALE



Bridge Layout and Geometry







Superstructure Geometry



Section A-A: Backspan, constant depth Section B-B: Backspan, variable depth Section C-C: Mainspan, variable depth, stacked cells, arch legs frame into superstructure Section D-D: Mainspan, variable depth





<u>SECTION A-A</u> (Back Spans, Constant Depth)







SECTION B-B (Back Spans, Variable Depth)







<u>SECTION C-C</u> (Main Span, Variable Depth, Arch Legs and Deck Merge)







<u>SECTION D-D</u> (Main Span, Variable Depth, Near Arch Crown)





Arch Geometry

Arch Legs

- Exterior corner of intrados constant (21'-7") from "GIL" Line
- Arch width and depth varies
- Increasing slope at exterior face



SECTION @ SUPERSTRUCTURE



SECTION @ ARCH BASE





Foundation Geometry





INCLINED STRUT – PART SECTION





Foundation Geometry





PILE CAP - SECTION







3.2 3.0 2.7 2.4 2.1

1.8 1.5 1.2 0.9 0.6

Structural Model



RM Bridge Software



RM Bridge Overview

All Types of Bridges

- **Reinforced and Pre-stressed Concrete**
- Steel and Composite
- Arch Bridges
- **Cable Supported Bridges**
- **Any Erection Method**
 - Span-by-Span
 - Advanced Shoring
 - **Incremental Launching**
 - Pre-cast Segmental
 - Balanced Cantilever Bridges
 - **Cast-in-Place**



















RM Bridge Modeler

Gilman Drive Arch Bridge





Define Bridge Cross Sections

Use construction lines to define every surface of a desired cross sectional shape





Define Reference Sets



- Reference Sets are points defined within a cross section for the definition of:
 - Spring Locations
 - Connection Points
 - Stress Points

Rebar

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Post-Tensioning Path



Connect Segments

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Arch legs are connected to the superstructure with rigid links





RM Bridge – Analysis / Design

- Additional Definition
- Set-up activation
- Define load cases
- Define live load cases
- Define scheduled actions
- Design code checks











Live Load Lanes & Live Load Trains



LRFD Design Code Checks



- Stress Check
- Ultimate Load Check
- Shear Capacity Check

- Reinforced Concrete Design
- Crack Control Check







Complies with Design Code (LRFD, CA Amendments, Caltrans SDC)







Post Processing -Design Report

Design report combines text and graphical data





Seismic Design – Site Seismicity

Caltrans ARS Online (v2.3.06)

This web-based tool calculates both deterministic and probabilistic acceleration response spectra for any location in California based Design Criteria. More...



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Vs30 = 460 m/s

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Seismic Design



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Calculate Mode Shapes

Seismic Design



- Preliminary design with no Strut
- Plastic hinges form at top of arch legs





Struts Have a Beneficial Effect on the Seismic Performance

 A strut was added between the superstructure and foundation to reduce arch thrust





Seismic Response Including Inclined Struts



- Struts stiffened the bridge in both directions
- $\Delta_{\text{trans}} = 9''$ (before), 5'' (after)
- Superstructure acts as diaphragm (plenty of capacity)
- Arch legs now stay elastic



Seismic Design – Jucsi Transverse Pushover Results



- EQ would have to develop 2.8 times the intensity to fail one pile
- 96 micropiles used
- Ductility Demand

 5.2/5.7 = 0.9
 (Bridge stays elastic, no damage)
- SDC allows Ductility Demand of 5.0



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Bridge Renderings





Looking North

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Looking East

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Rail Transition at Ends of Bridge

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