



HIGHWAY 85 BRIDGE REPLACEMENT: OVER THE MISSOURI RIVER NEAR WILLISTON, ND



Western
Bridge
Engineers'
Seminar



Oil Activity in Western ND

- First horizontal well in 2004
- Currently over 16,000 wells
 - 1.2 million barrels of oil per day
 - ND became 2nd leading state in oil production behind Texas
- Full development - up to 36,000 more wells



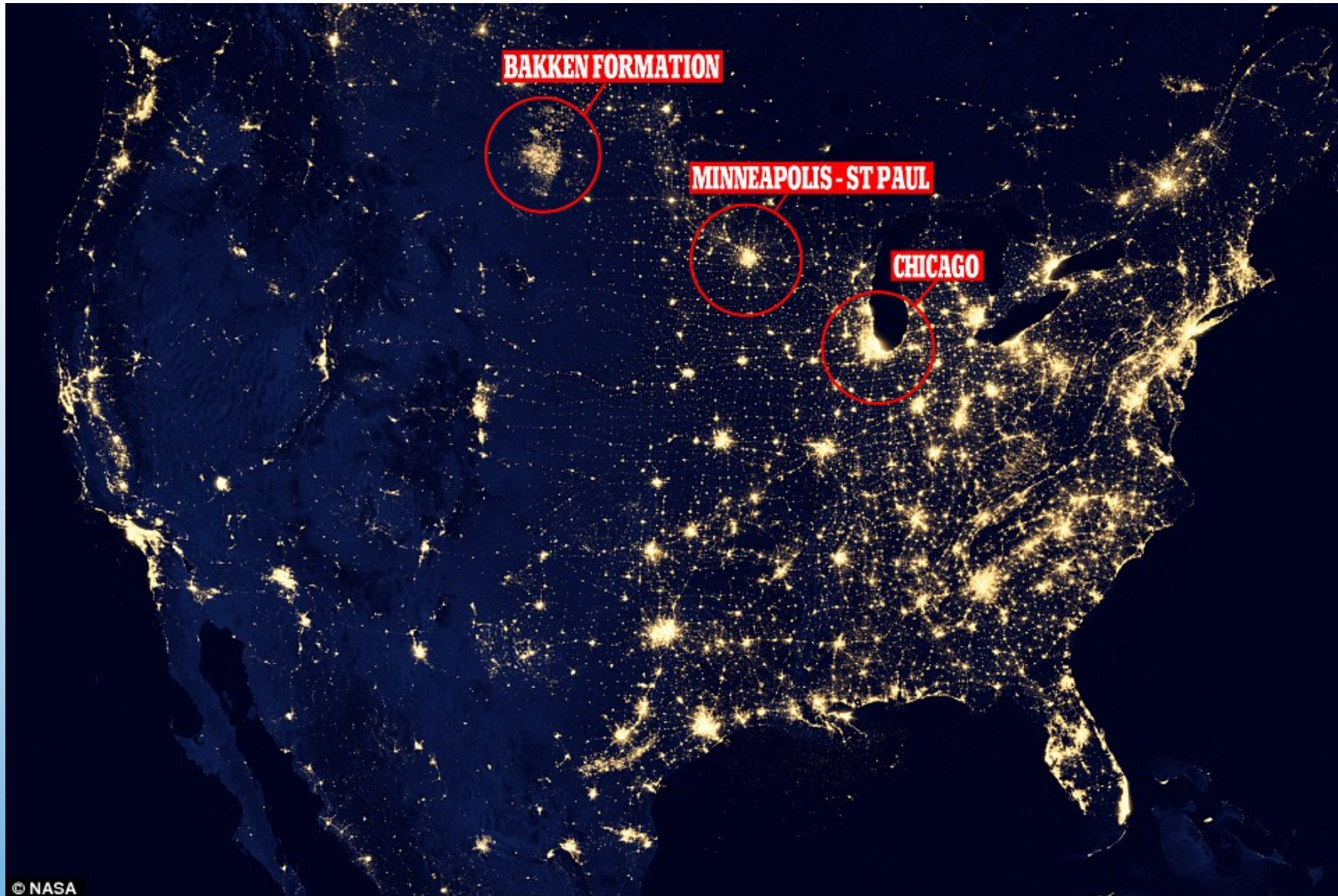
Bakken Map



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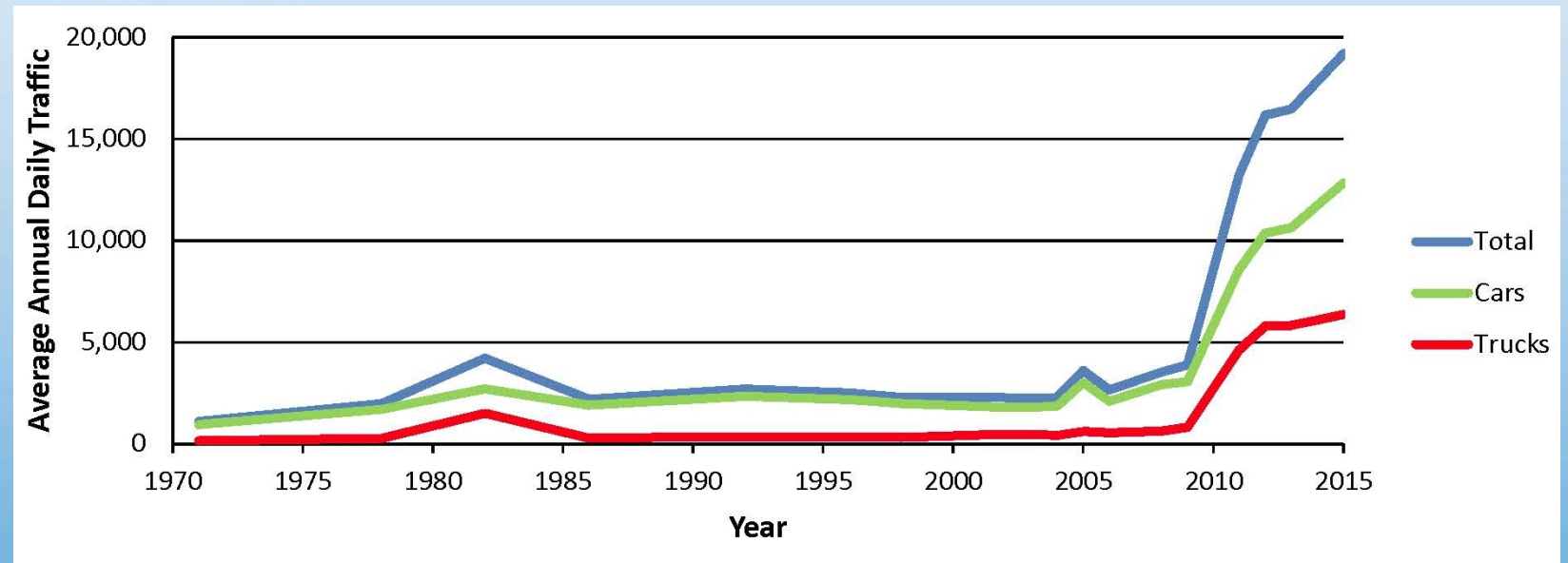


Night View



US Highway 85 Traffic over Bridge

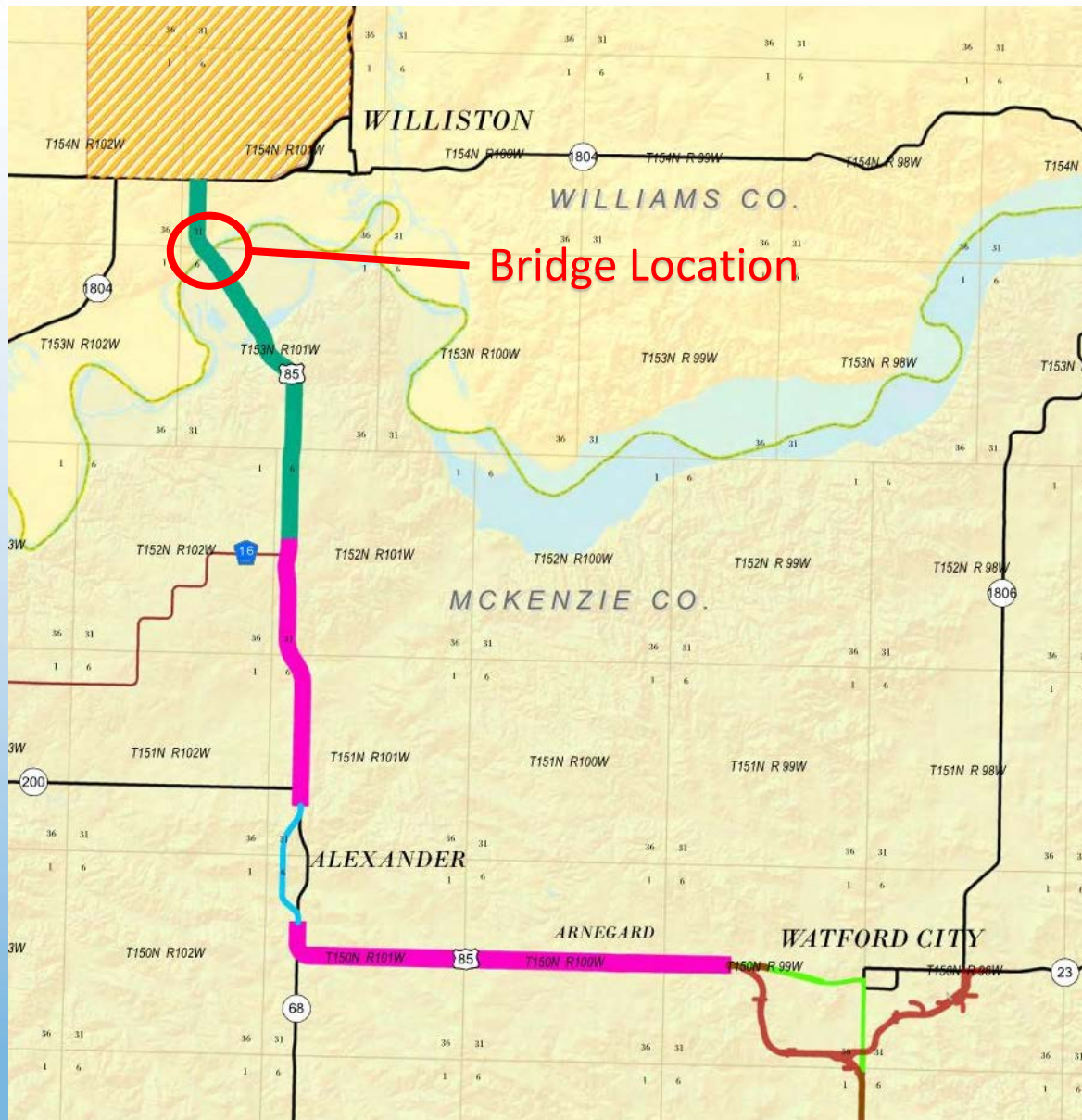
- AADT increased from 3,800 in 2009 to 17,800 in 2014
- Projected: 22,000 by 2035
- 150 truckloads for drilling operations at each well
- 40% trucks along the corridor
- Designed for 1,100 AADT and 150 ADTT



Central Corridor



- US 85 from Watford City to Williston
 - Central Corridor for Bakken Oil Development
- Watford City Population
 - 2010 - 1,700
 - 2014 - 4,200, 147% Growth
- Williston Population
 - 2010 - 14,700
 - 2014 - 24,500, 67% Growth



Missouri River Bridge Site



Existing Bridge

- 7 Spans
- 1,530 ft long
- 235 ft Max Span
- 36 ft Clear Roadway



Existing Bridge

- 2 Welded Steel Plate Girders
- Cross Frame Trusses
- Fatigue Prone Details



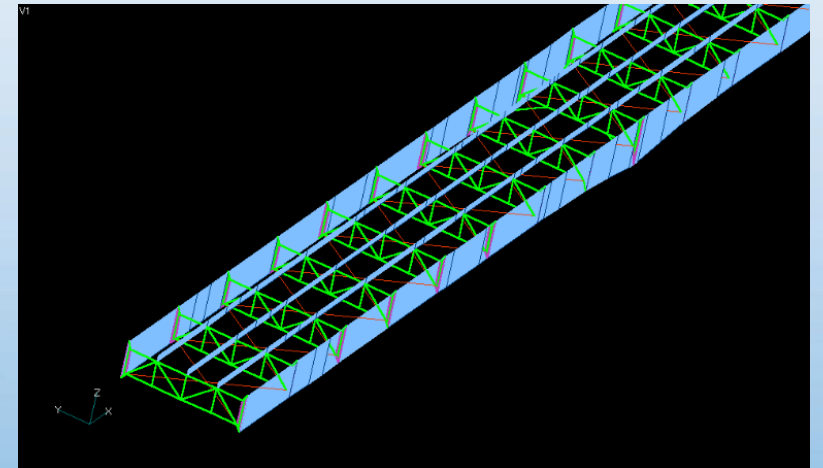
Bridge Analysis and Decisions

- Built in 1973, SR 91.3
- Initial Inspection
 - Generally Good Condition
 - Expansion Joints Failed
 - Spalling and Deterioration at Abutment Pedestals
 - Deck Deterioration

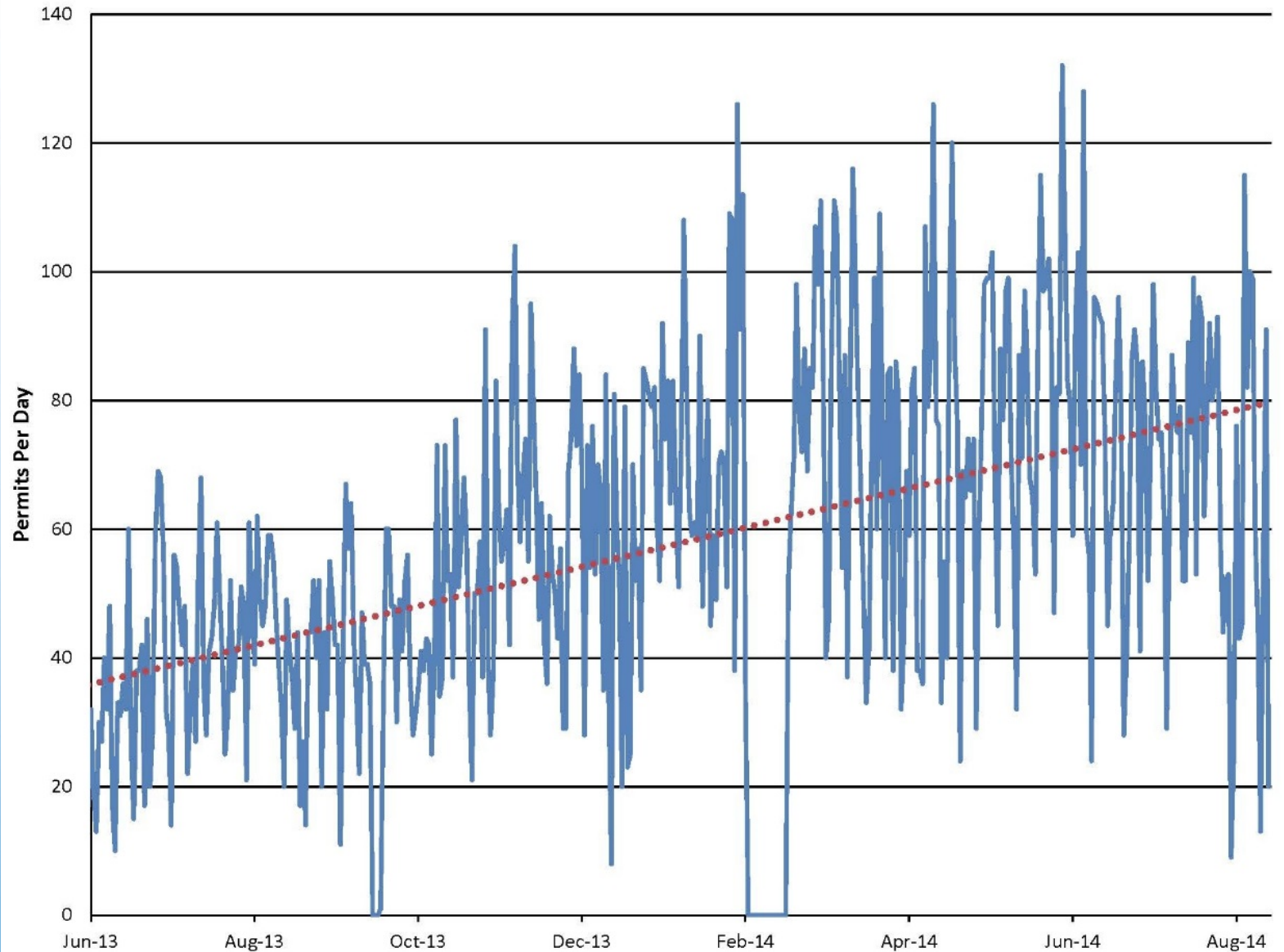


Bridge Analysis and Decisions

- Fatigue Analysis
 - 3-D Finite Element Computer Model
 - Calculated Stresses in Fatigue Prone Details
 - Historic Traffic Data and Future Traffic Projections
 - Fatigue Life is Close to Being Done
- Options
 - Rehab and Build New 2-Lane Adjacent
 - Remove and Replace with New 4-Lane
- Cost Analysis Showed Full Replacement Preferred



Permit Data



- 80 Permits per Day

- Heaviest - 400,000 lb

- Possible 1.4 million lb vehicle



Bridge Options

- Bridge Type Study
- Initially Pursued Alternate Designs
 - Steel I-Girder
 - Concrete Segmental Box Girder
- Concrete Alternate Removed Due to Cost

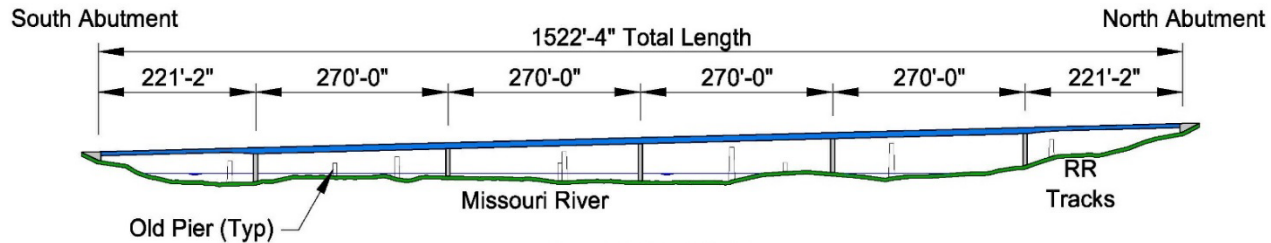


Bridge Design Criteria

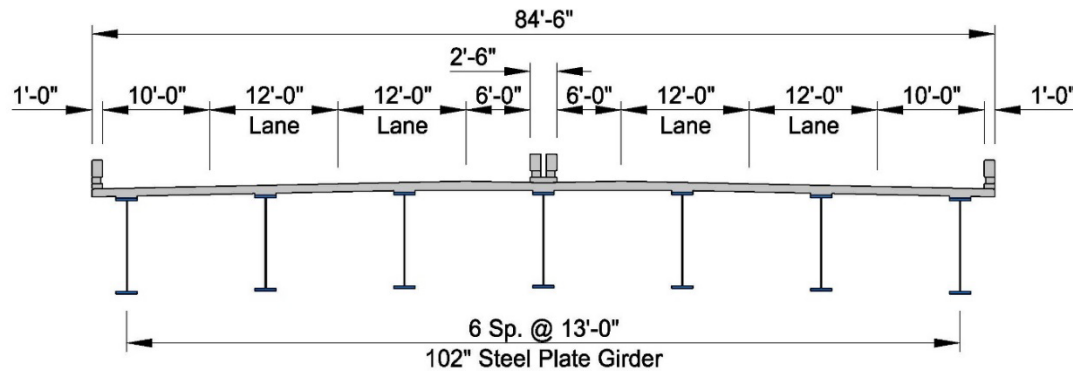
- Clearance
 - Navigation
 - RR
 - Hydraulics
- Utilities
- Water Intake
- Ice Loading



Proposed Bridge



ELEVATION



CROSS SECTION

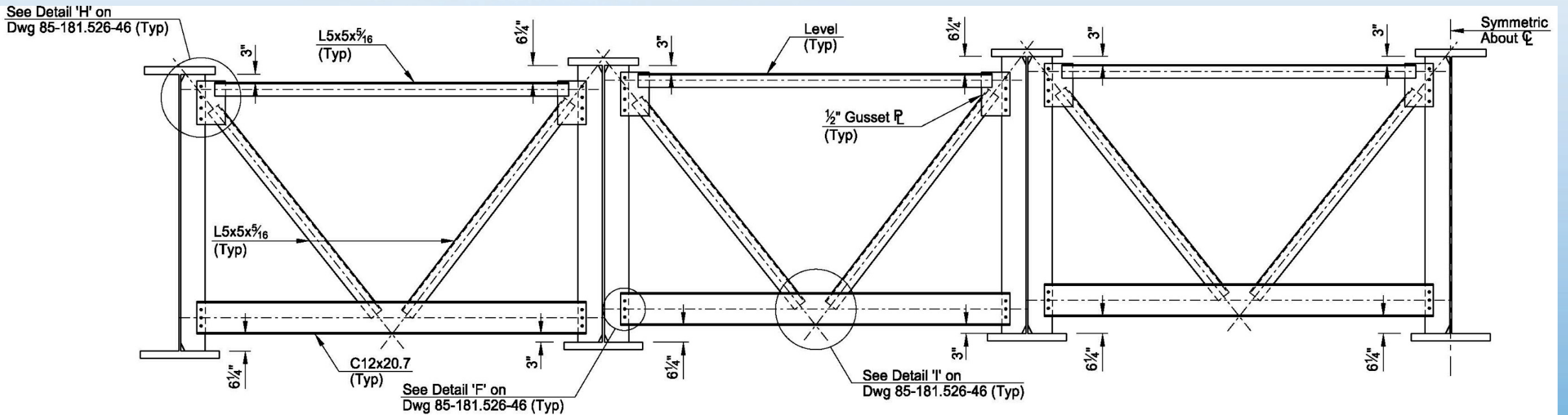
- Span Optimization
 - Superstructure Cost vs. Substructure Cost

- Software
 - LRFD SIMON
 - MDX
 - BSDI



Cross Frame

- 25' to 28' Spacing
- Span Optimization



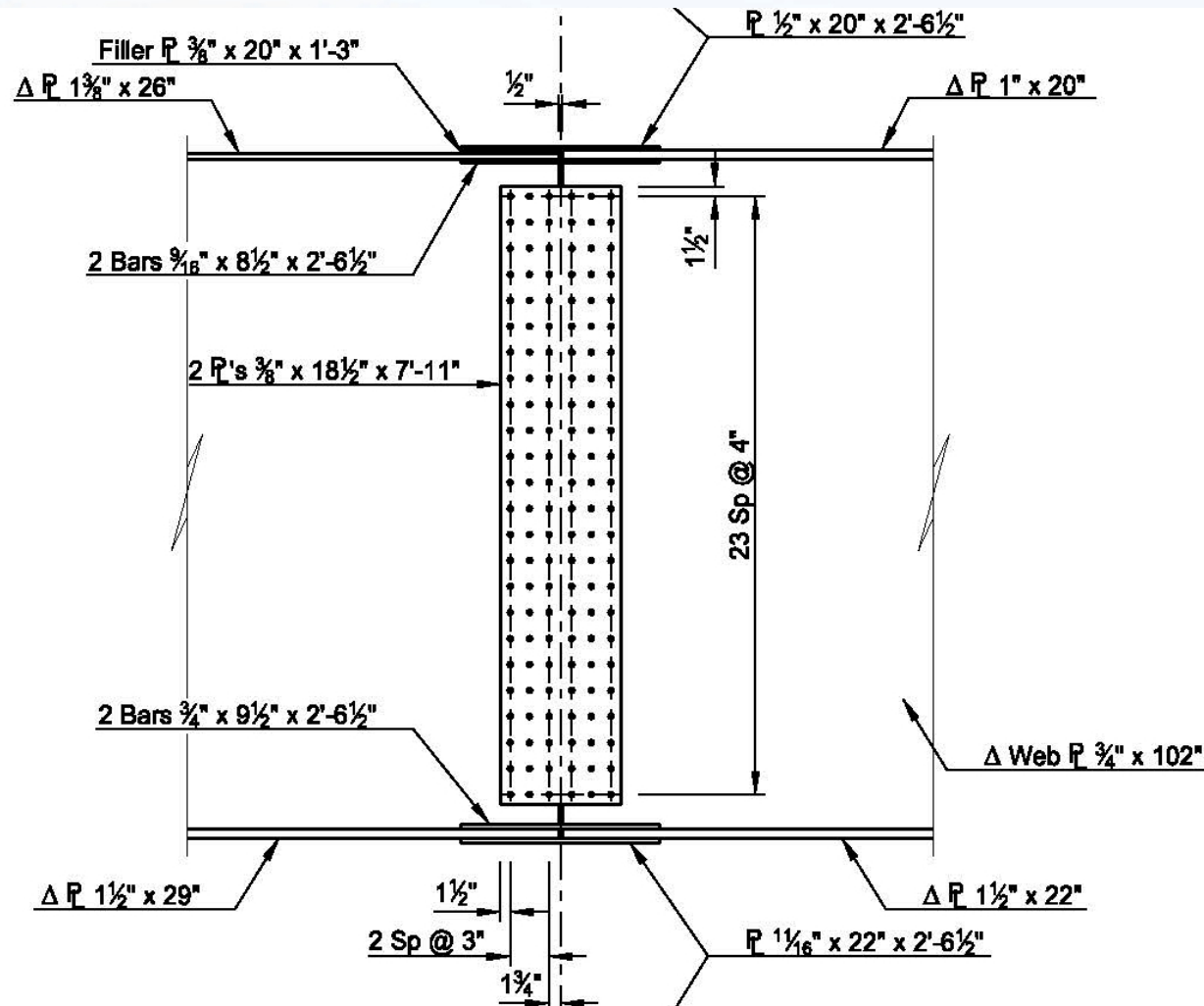
TYPICAL INTERMEDIATE CROSS FRAME

Proposed Bridge

- AASHTO M270 Grade 50W
- 102" Web
- Better Fatigue Details



Splice



- NSBA Splice
- Located at DL Contra-Flexure Points
- Used for Workable Girder Lengths and Section Changes
 - 161'-6" Max Length
 - 36 ton Max Weight



Joints & Bearings



- Finger Expansion Joint
 - Abutments Only
 - 8 $\frac{7}{8}$ " Expansion

- Disc Bearings
 - Fixed at Pier 4
 - Expansion at other 6 substructures

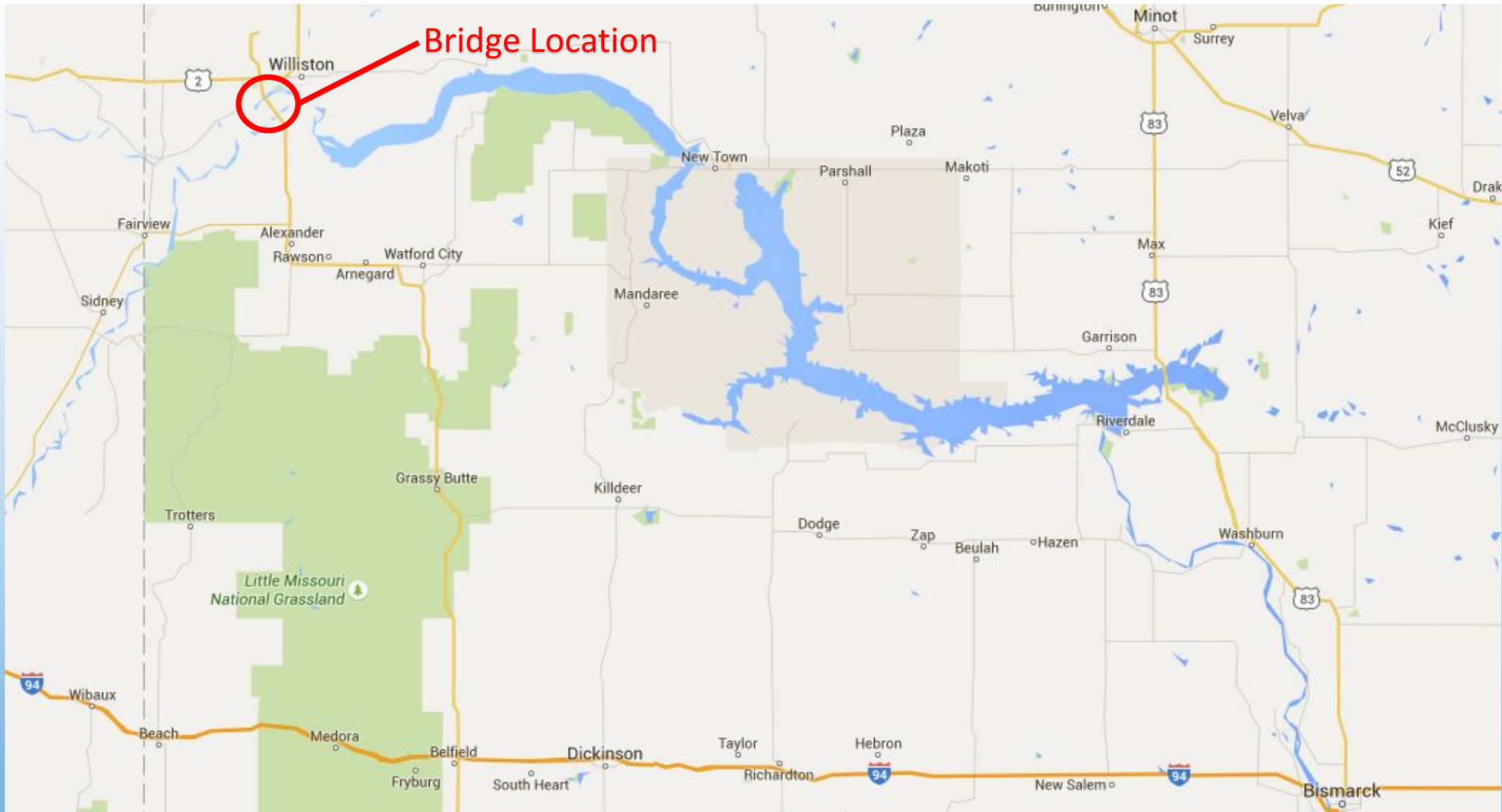


Hydraulics

- Published Hydrology Outdated
 - Gage at Bridge Records Stage Only
 - Did not take into Account Reservoir System Influence
- Developed Project Specific Hydrology

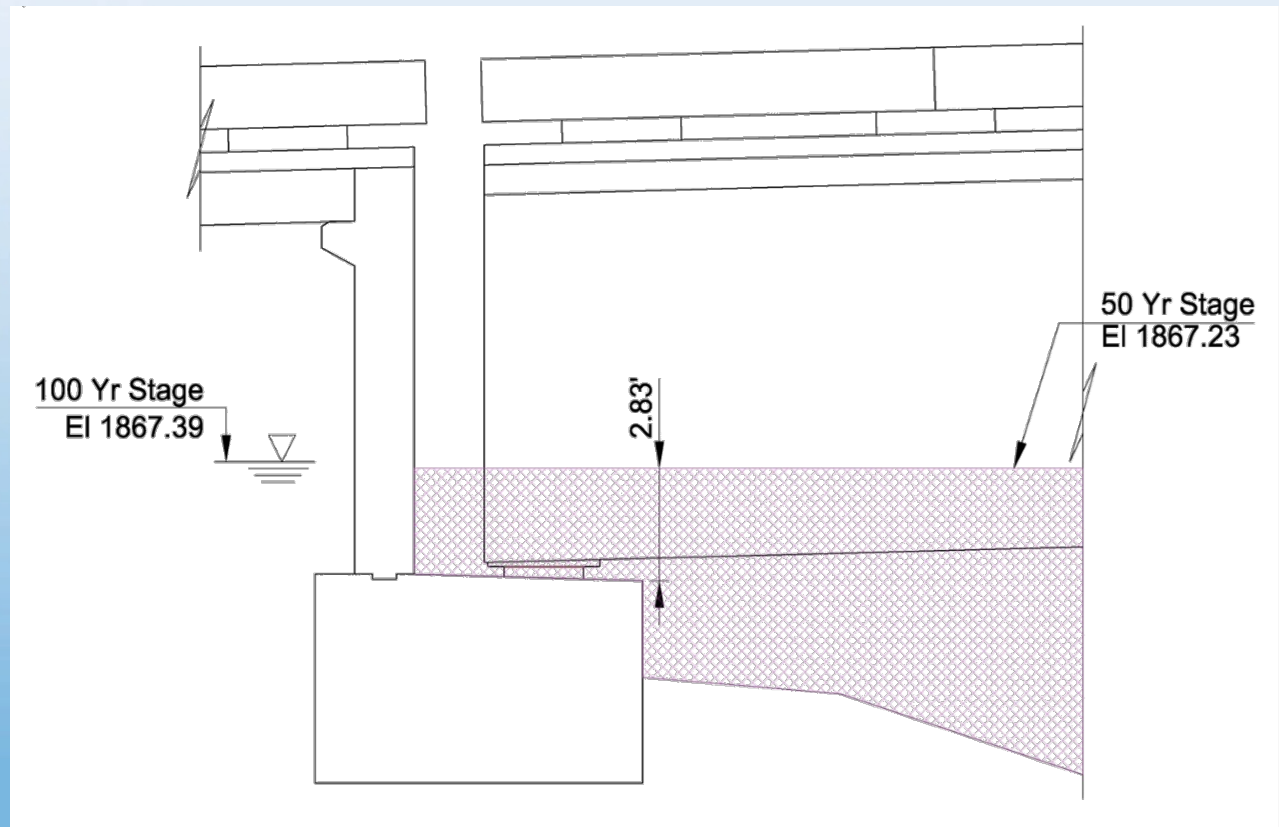


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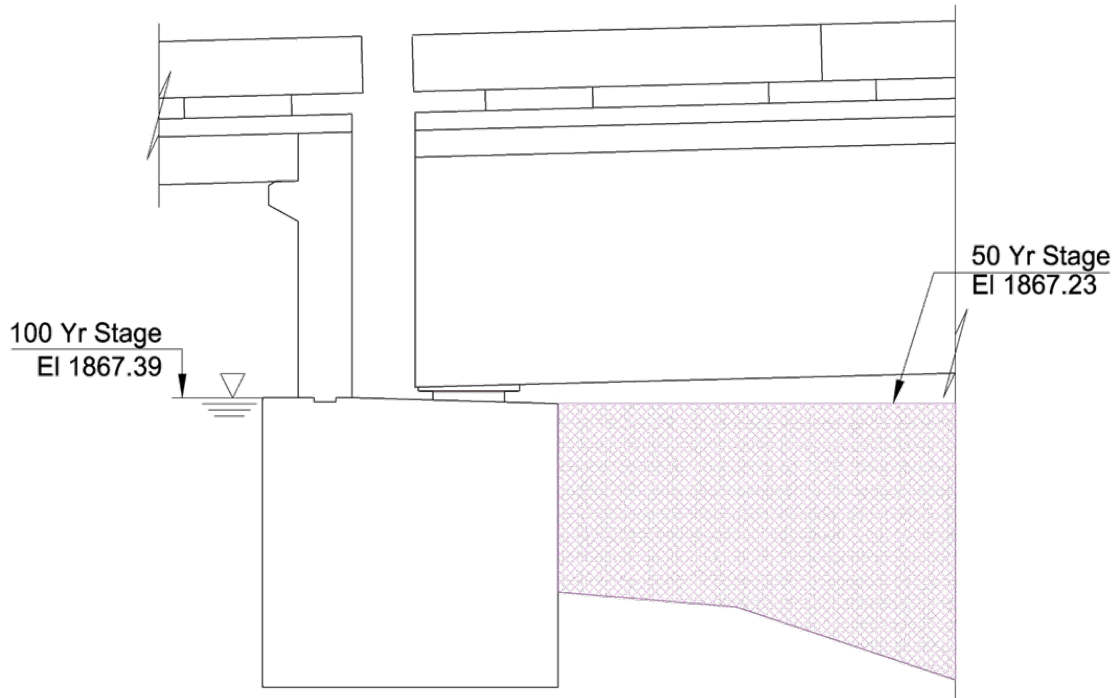
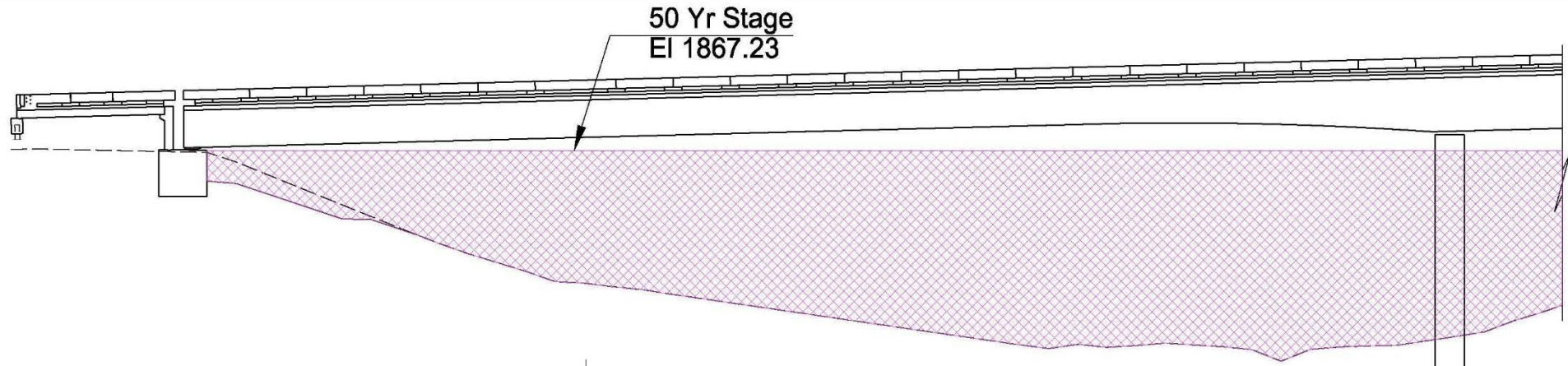


Hydraulics

- US Army Corps Aggradation Study
 - Water Surface During Flood Events Could Rise by Approximately 7 feet in 75 years
- Bearings Wet



Haunch



- Added Haunch to Steel Girder
- Haunch 102" web to 68" web
- Ideal Haunch Ratio

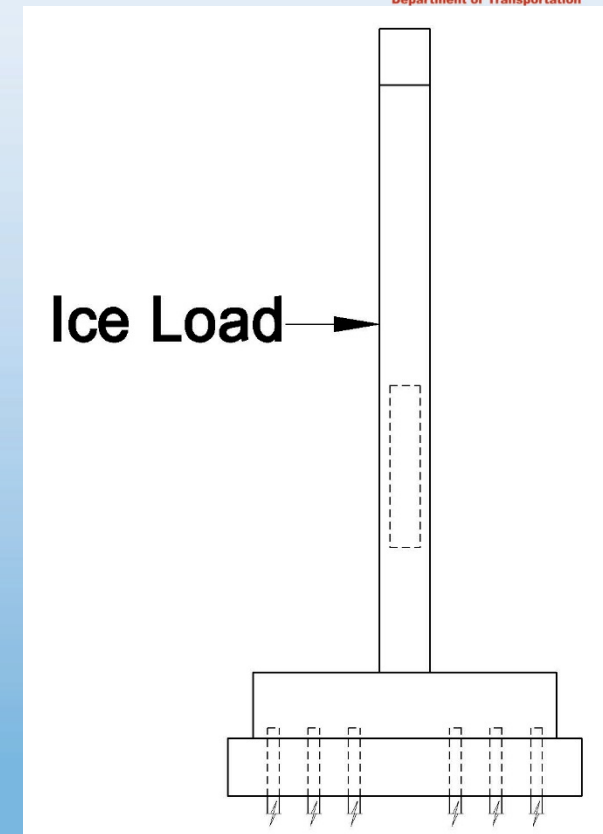
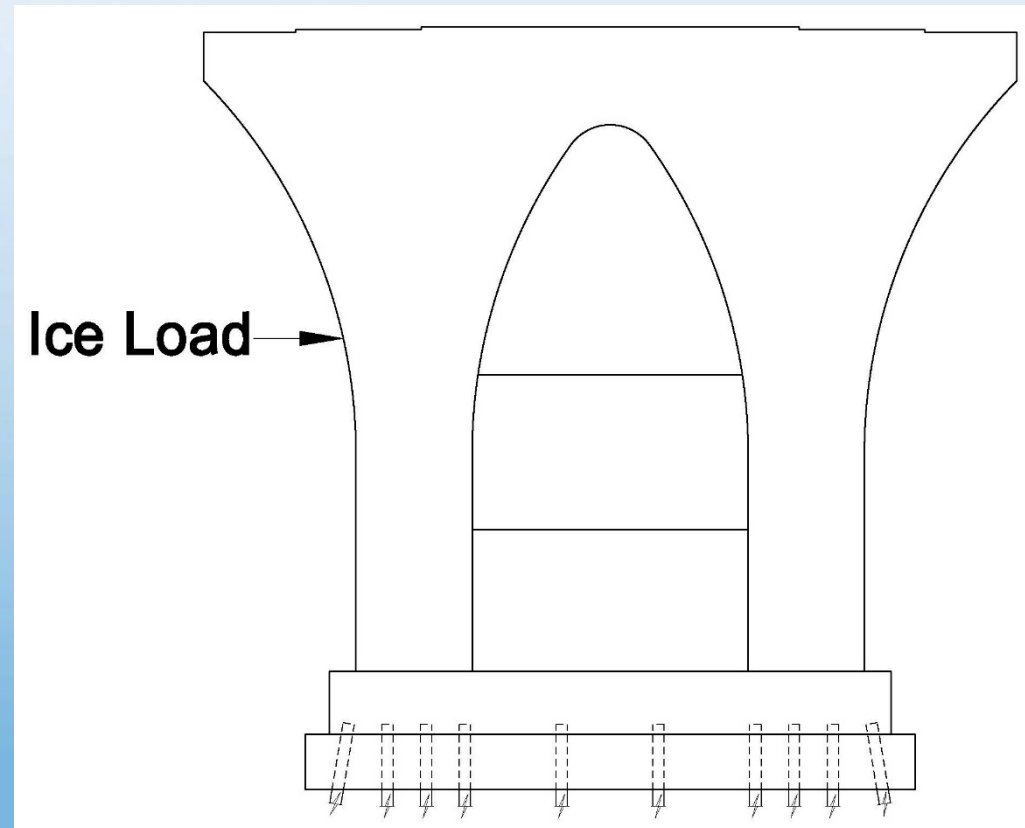
Piers

- Pier Shape
- Pier Strut



Loads

- Breaking Force (BR)
- Earth Pressure (EV)
- Water Pressure (WA)
- Wind (WS & WL)
- Friction (FR)
- Temperature (TU)
- Ice (IC)
 - 4.0' Ice Thickness
 - 16.0 ksf Ice Crushing Strength



Load Cases

- 88 Load Cases

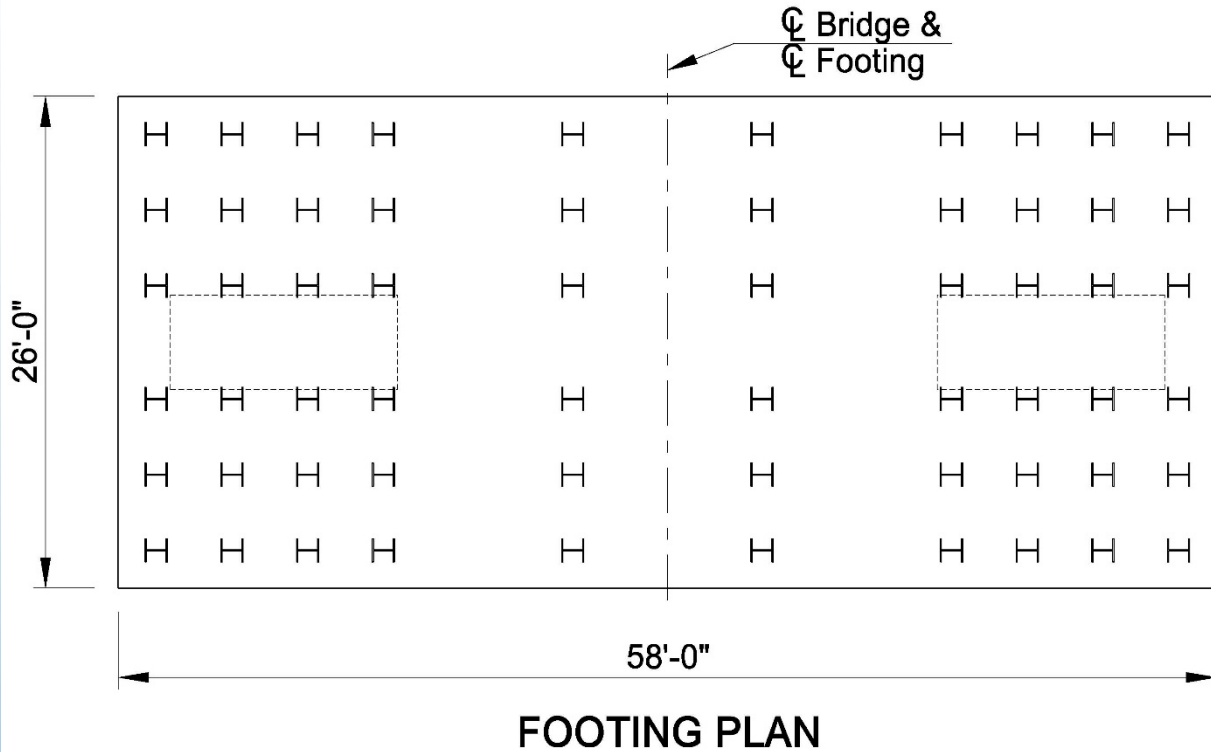
Table 3.4.1-1—Load Combinations and Load Factors

Load Combination Limit State	DC DD DW EH EV ES EL PS CR SH	LL IM CE BR PL LS	WA	WS	WL	FR	TU	TG	SE	Use One of These at a Time				
										EQ	BL	IC	CT	CV
Strength I (unless noted)	γ_p	1.75	1.00	—	—	1.00	0.50/1.20	γ_{TG}	γ_{SE}	—	—	—	—	—
Strength II	γ_p	1.35	1.00	—	—	1.00	0.50/1.20	γ_{TG}	γ_{SE}	—	—	—	—	—
Strength III	γ_p	—	1.00	1.40	—	1.00	0.50/1.20	γ_{TG}	γ_{SE}	—	—	—	—	—
Strength IV	γ_p	—	1.00	—	—	1.00	0.50/1.20	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Strength V	γ_p	1.35	1.00	0.40	1.0	1.00	0.50/1.20	γ_{TG}	γ_{SE}	—	—	—	—	—
Extreme Event I	γ_p	γ_{EQ}	1.00	—	—	1.00	—	—	—	1.00	—	—	—	—
Extreme Event II	γ_p	0.50	1.00	—	—	1.00	—	—	—	—	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Service I	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.30	1.0	1.00	1.00/1.20	γ_{TG}	γ_{SE}	—	—	—	—	—
Service II	1.00	1.30	1.00	—	—	1.00	1.00/1.20	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Service III	1.00	0.80	1.00	—	—	1.00	1.00/1.20	γ_{TG}	γ_{SE}	—	—	—	—	—
Service IV	1.00	—	1.00	0.70	—	1.00	1.00/1.20	—	1.0	—	—	—	—	—
Fatigue I— LL, IM & CE only	—	1.50	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Fatigue II— LL, IM & CE only	—	0.75	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

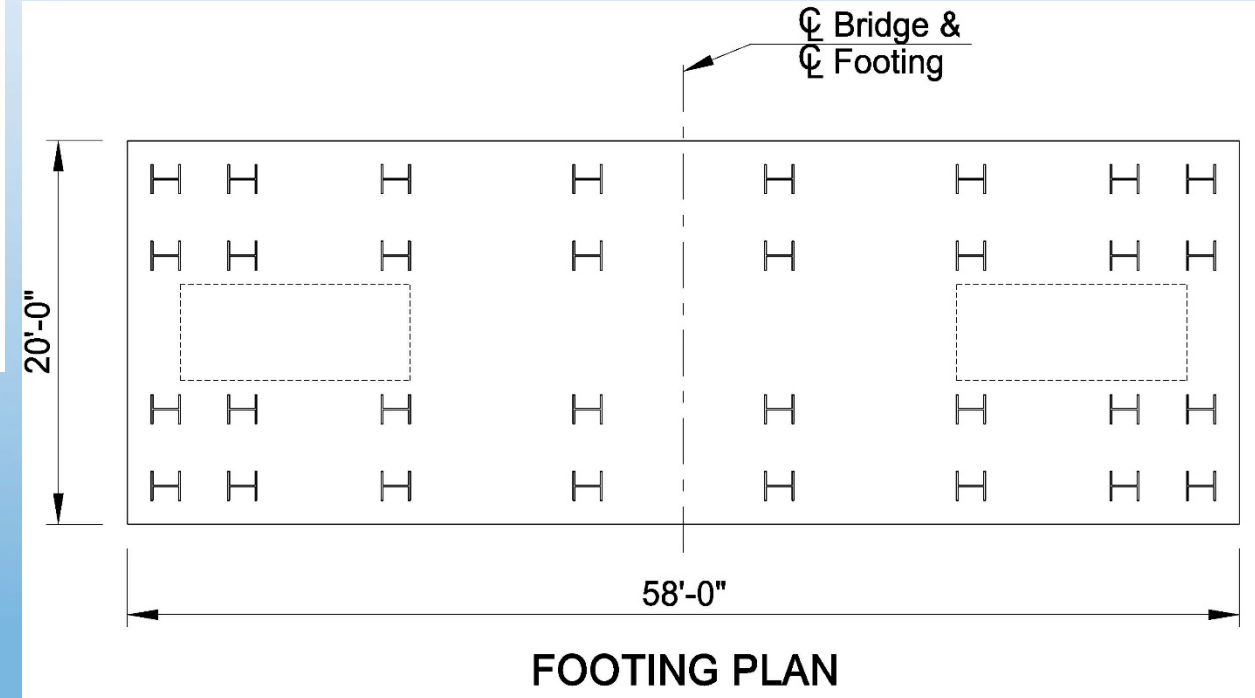


Pier Footings Pile Alternates

- HP14x102



- HP18x204



Time Frame

- Notice to Proceed - 7/30/12
- Inspection - 9/5/12
- Final Plans - 5/30/14
- Bid Opening - 7/15/14
- Open to Traffic - 8/30/16



Cost

- Total Project - \$66.3 Million
- Bridge - \$34.3 Million
- Steel - \$1.97 / lb
- Collaboration with NSBA



Thank You

