

# Fairview Ave. North Bridge Slip Sliding Away: Challenges in Foundation Design with Flow Loads and Plastic Hinging

## Abutment and Shaft Design

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# INTRODUCTIONS

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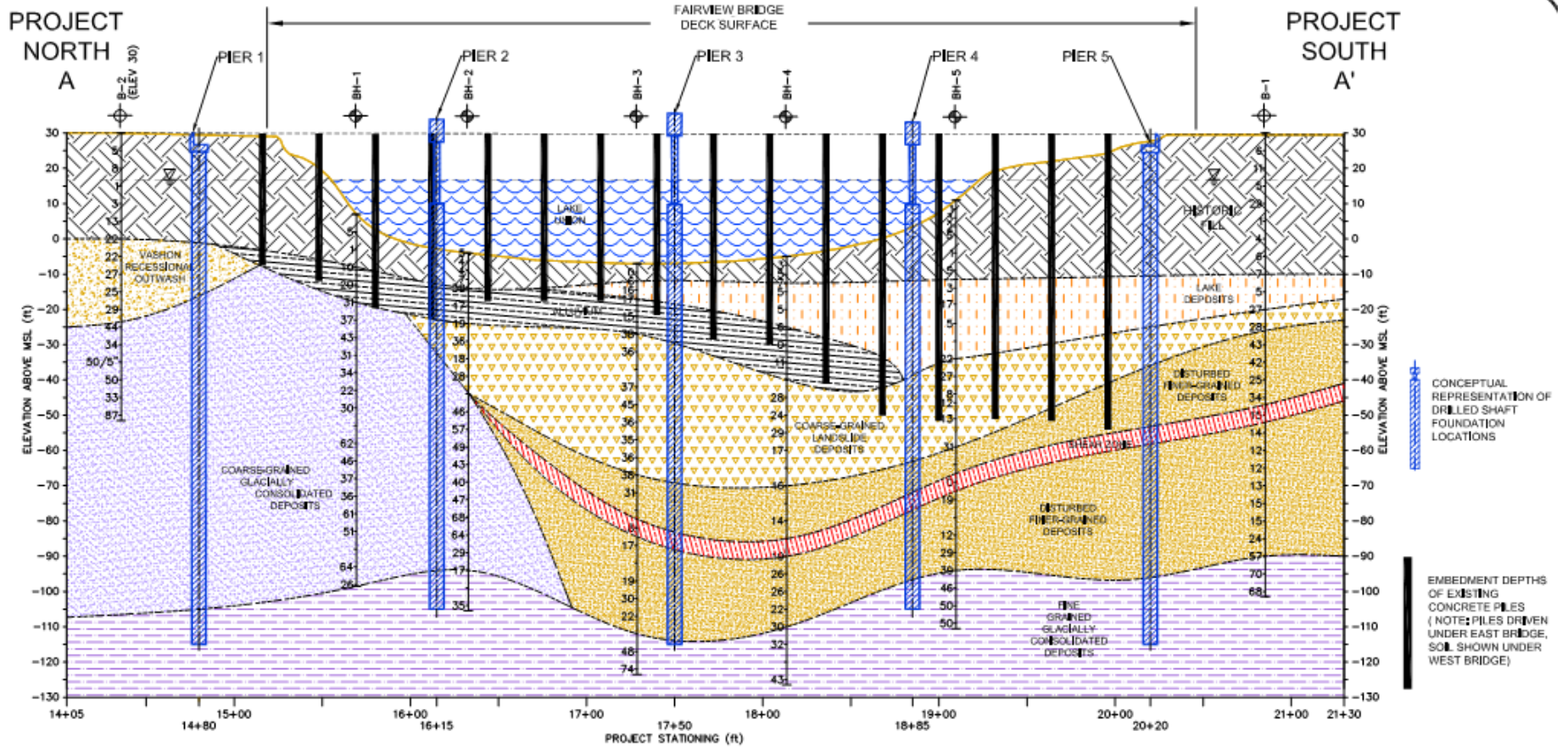


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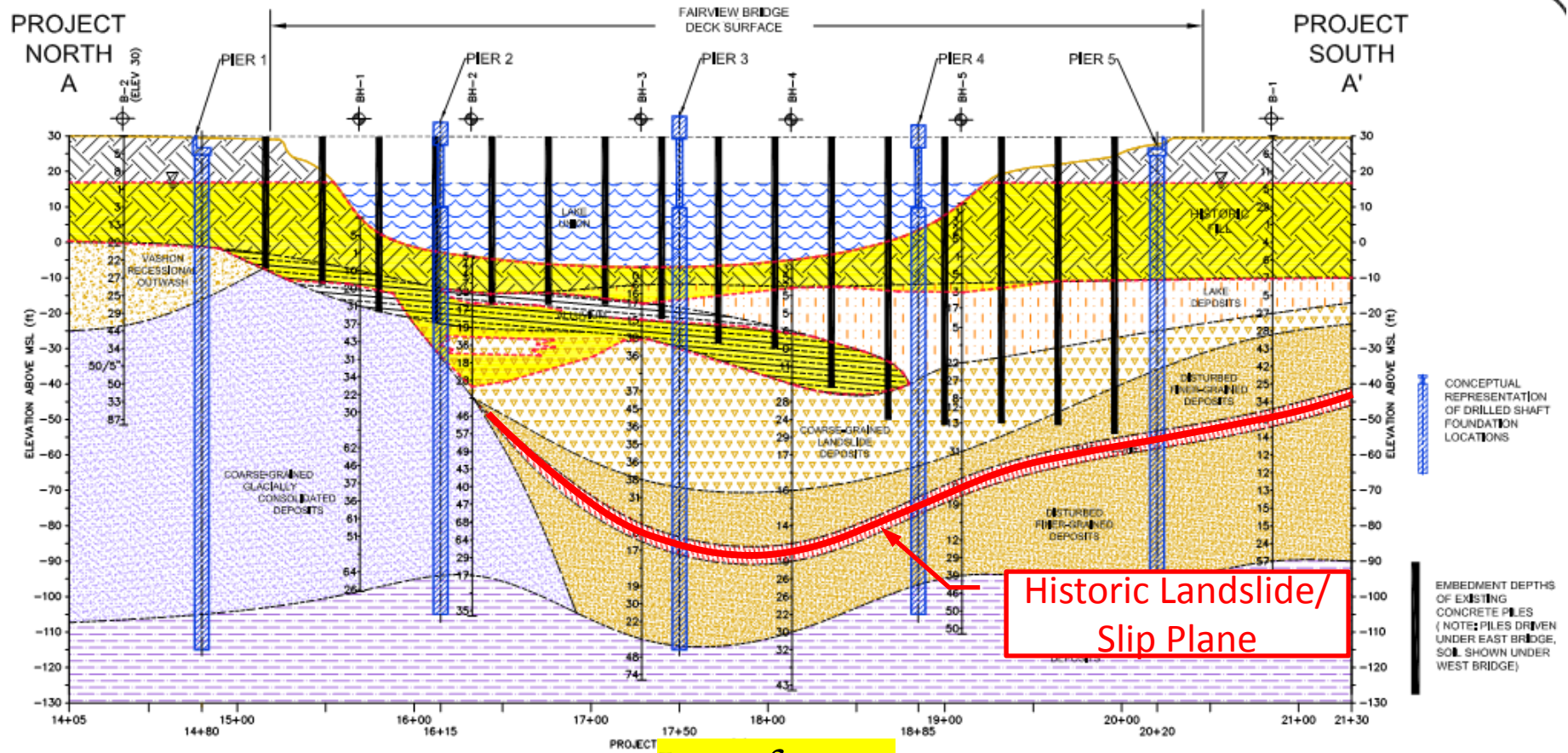




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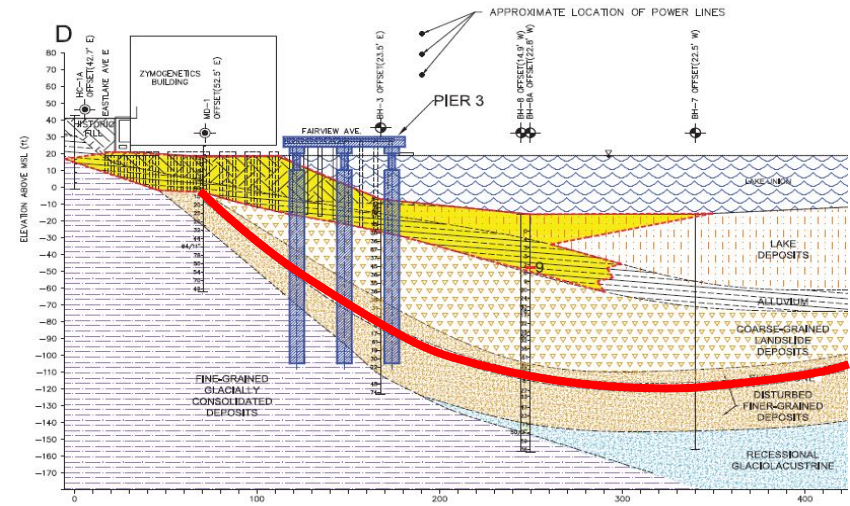
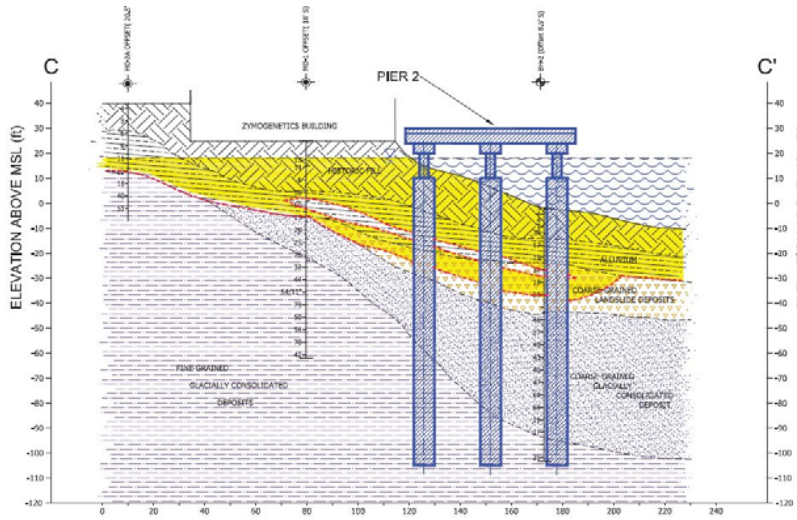


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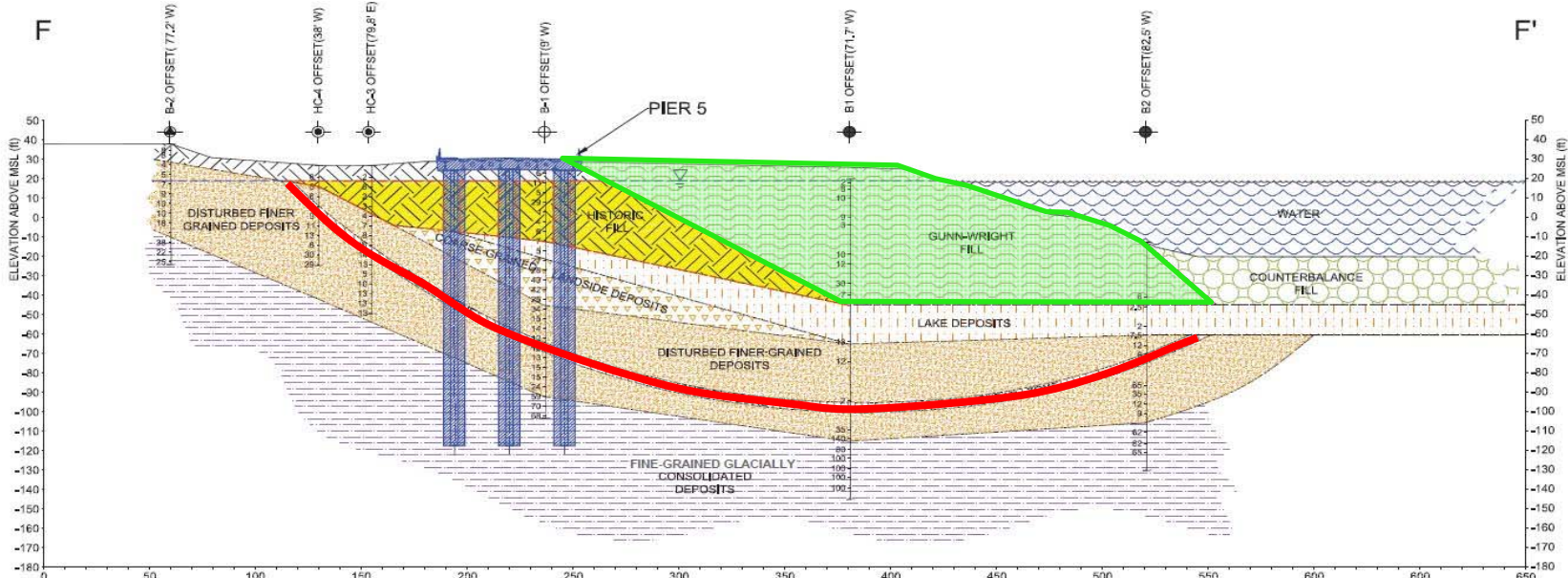
Liquefaction

# Geological Profile – Piers 2 and 3

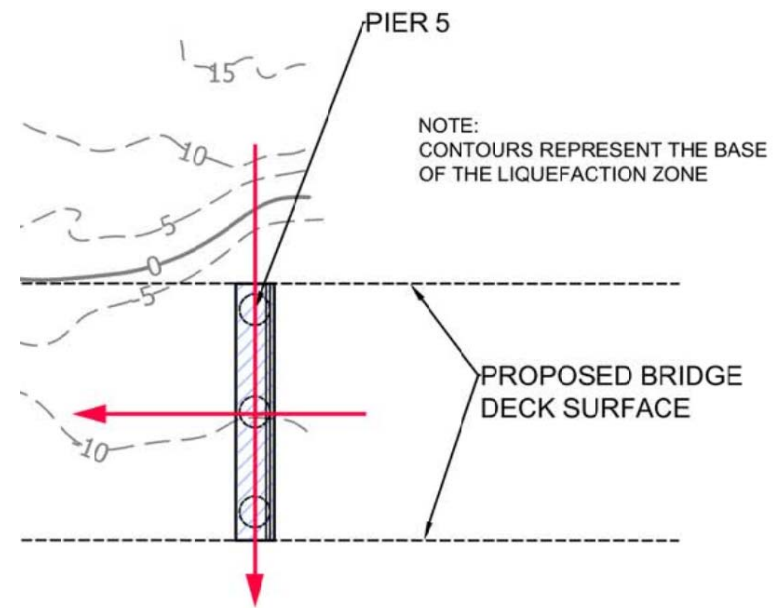


- Layers Vary
- Interspersed Non-Liquefiable Layers
- Slip Plane = Long Shafts

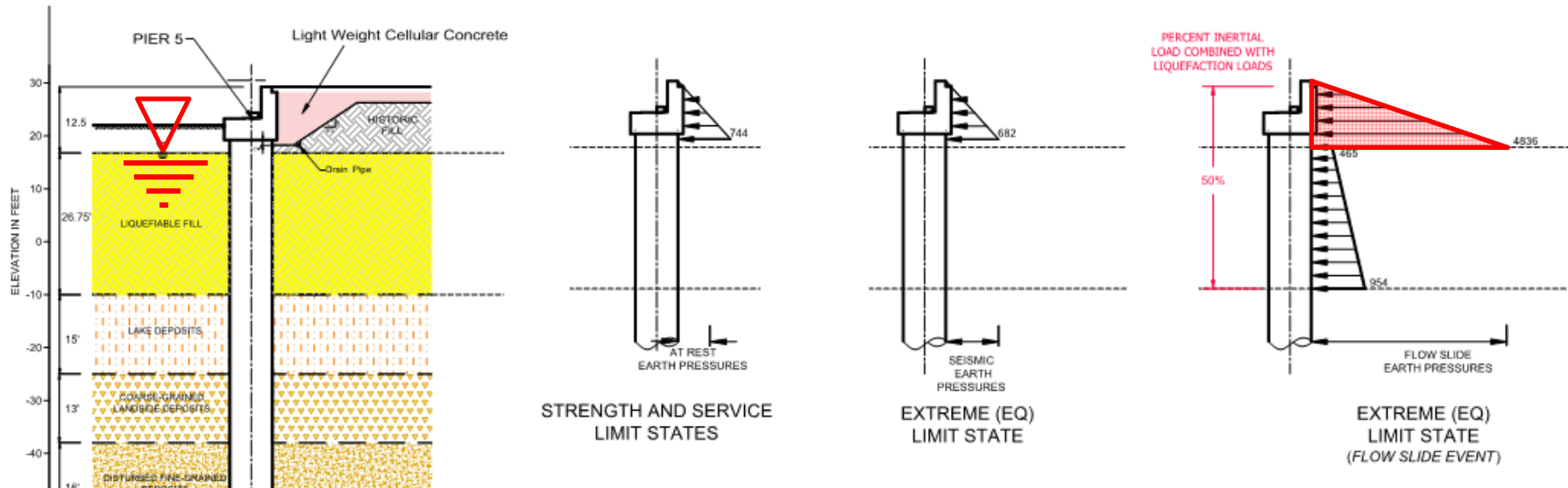
# Geological Profile – Pier 5 (abutment)



# Gunn-Wright Fill Pad



# Abutment Loading & Design Challenges



- High “Flow Loads” during Extreme Event
- Non-Liquified Crust
- Abutment Back Wall “Sail”

# ABUTMENTS

## Design Options/Decisions

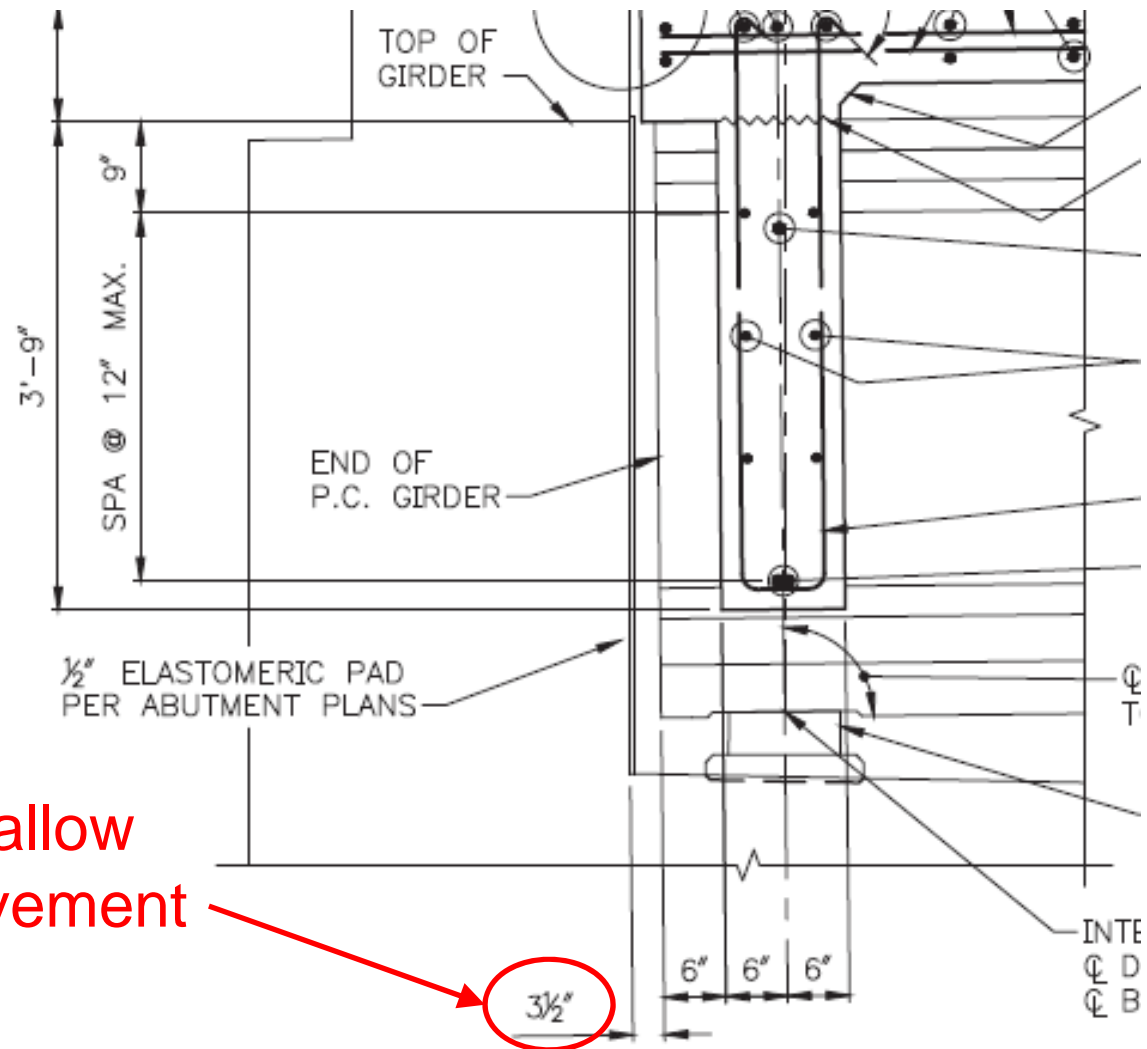
1. Ground Improvement
2. Braced abutment
3. Free Abutment

# 1. GROUND IMPROVEMENT





## 2. BRACED ABUTMENTS



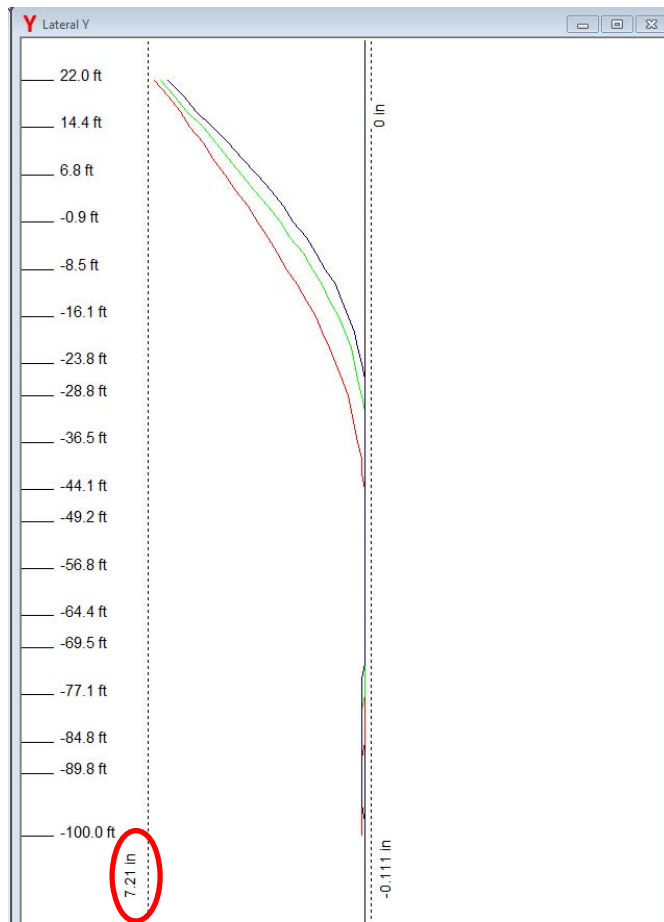
Design gap to allow for service movement

3 1/2"

## 2. BRACED ABUTMENTS

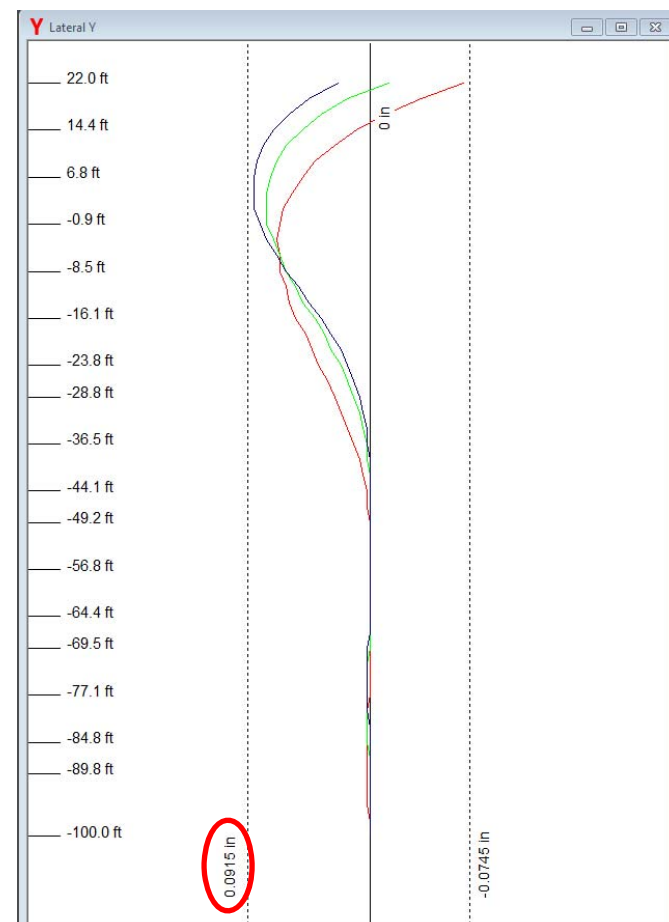
### BRACED PIN FORCE

Deflection = 7.21"



### FULL PIN FORCE

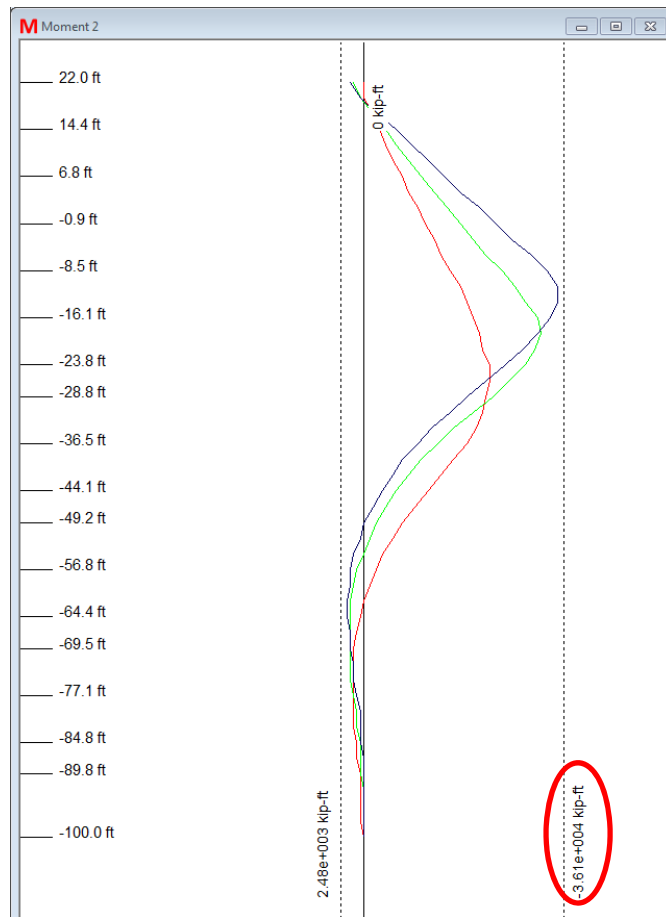
Deflection = 0.09"



## 2. BRACED ABUTMENTS

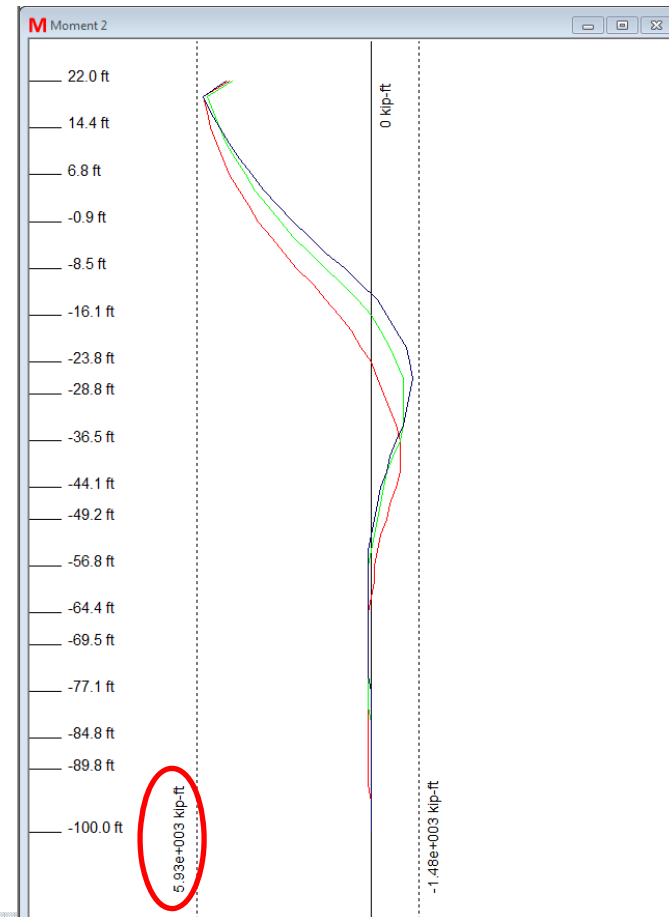
### BRACED PIN FORCE

$$M_{\text{Max}} = 36,000 \text{ kip-ft}$$



### FULL PIN FORCE

$$M_{\text{Max}} = 5,900 \text{ kip-ft}$$



### 3. FREE ABUTMENTS

Shaft 1 Free: Deflection = 11.2"

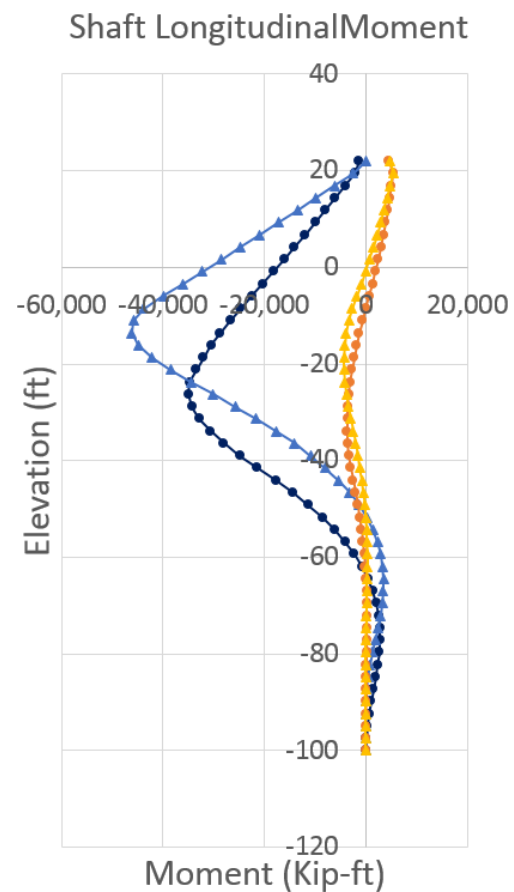
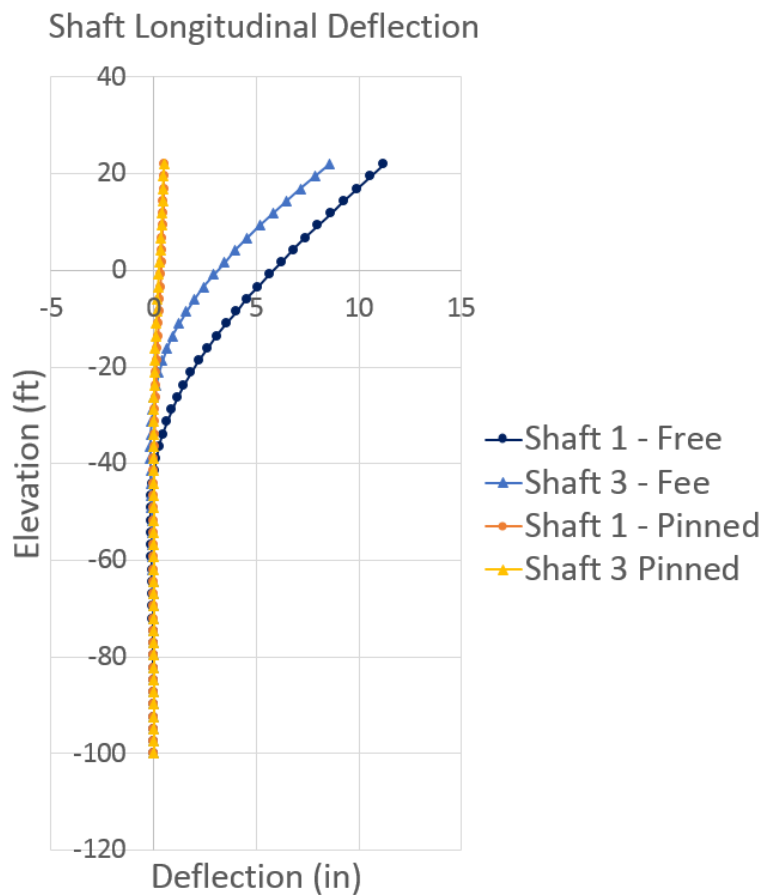
Shaft 3 Free: Deflection = 8.5"

Pinned: Deflection = 0.5"

$M_{Max} = 35,000$  kip-ft

$M_{Max} = 46,000$  kip-ft

$M_{Max} = 5,400$  kip-ft



# ABUTMENT REINFORCING

## Shaft Reinforcing:

### 1. Inner Concentric Ring

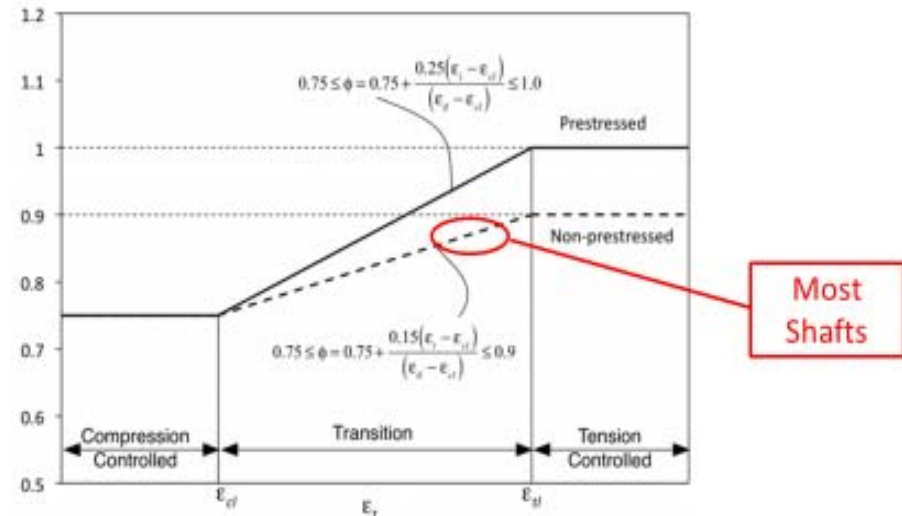
- WSDOT BDM 7.8.2.P “Use of two concentric circular rebar cages shall be avoided”

### 2. #18 ~ 3 Bar Bundles

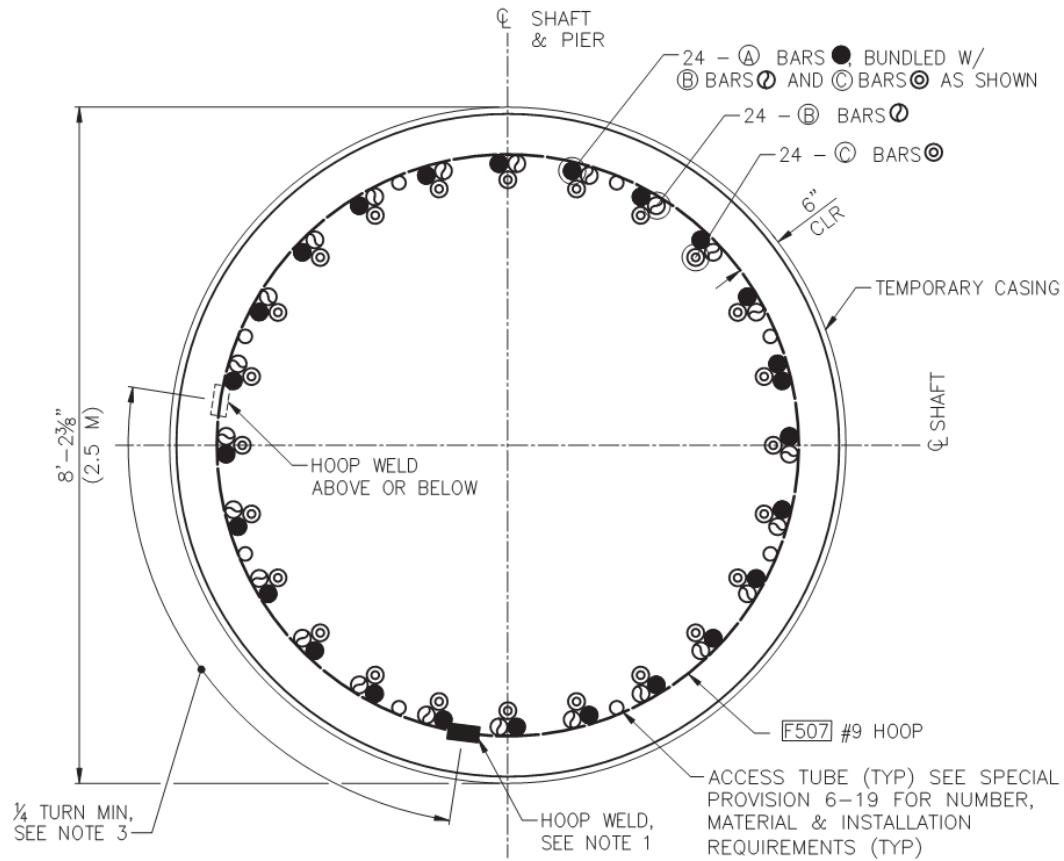
- Similar capacity as inner concentric ring
- 3 bar #18 bundle not permitted for “flexural members”
- Shafts in transition zone

### 3. Materials

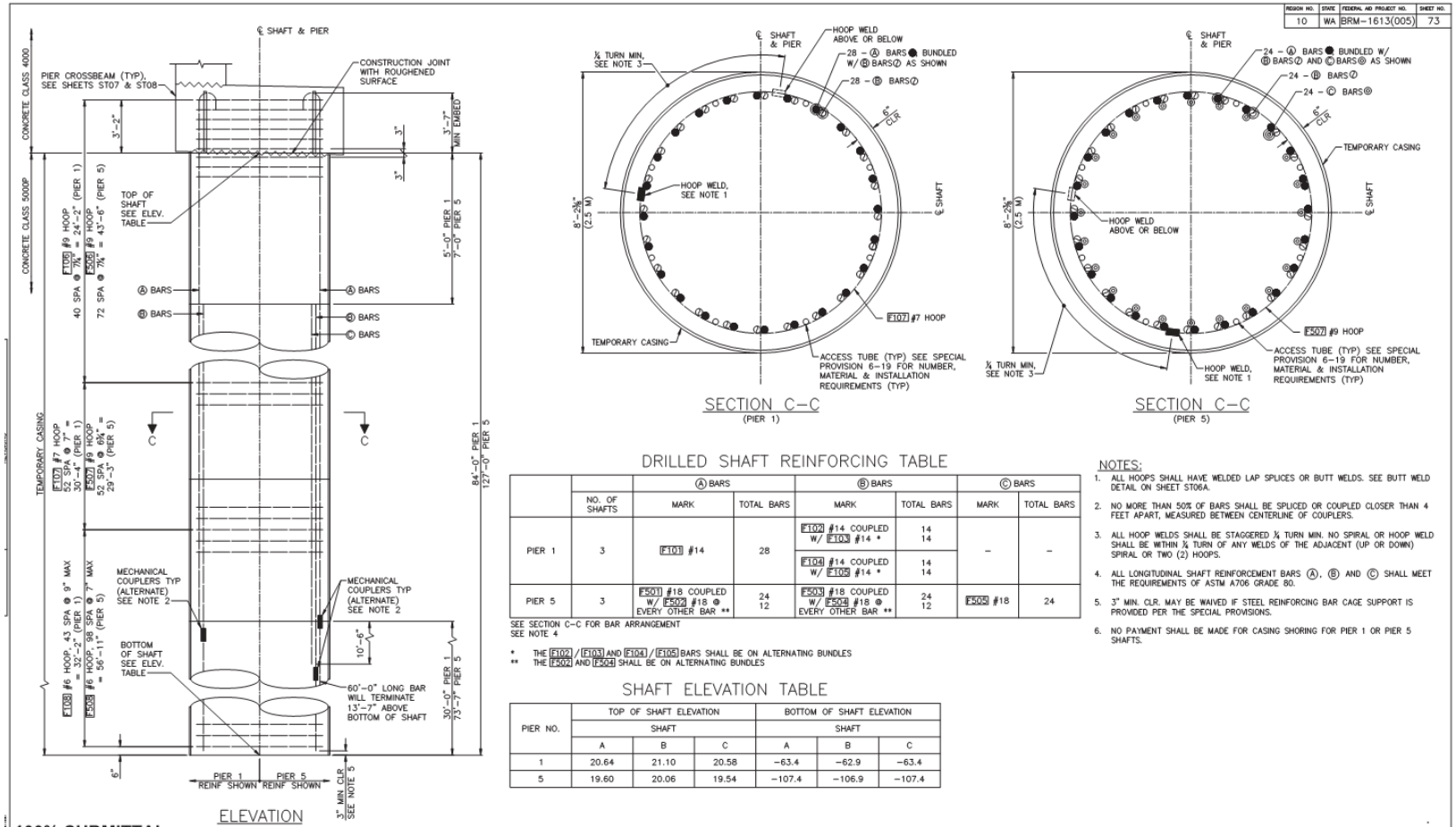
- 80 KSI Steel
- 5,000 psi concrete



# ABUTMENT SHAFTS – FINAL



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- NOTES:**
1. ALL HOOPS SHALL HAVE WELDED LAP SPICES OR BUTT WELDS. SEE BUTT WELD DETAIL ON SHEET S06A.
  2. NO MORE THAN 50% OF BARS SHALL BE SPICED OR COUPLED CLOSER THAN 4 FEET APART, MEASURED BETWEEN CENTERLINE OF COUPLERS.
  3. ALL HOOP WELDS SHALL BE STAGGERED 1/4 TURN MIN. NO SPIRAL OR HOOP WELD SHALL BE WITHIN 1/4 TURN OF ANY WELDS OF THE ADJACENT (UP OR DOWN) SPIRAL OR TWO (2) HOOPS.
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  5. 3" MIN. CLR. MAY BE WAIVED IF STEEL REINFORCING BAR CAGE SUPPORT IS PROVIDED PER THE SPECIAL PROVISIONS.
  6. NO PAYMENT SHALL BE MADE FOR CASING SHORING FOR PIER 1 OR PIER 5 SHAFTS.

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PIERS 1 & 5 SHAFTS

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SHEET PLAN NO. 782-289  
SHEET 73 OF 155



## ABUTMENT CONCLUSIONS

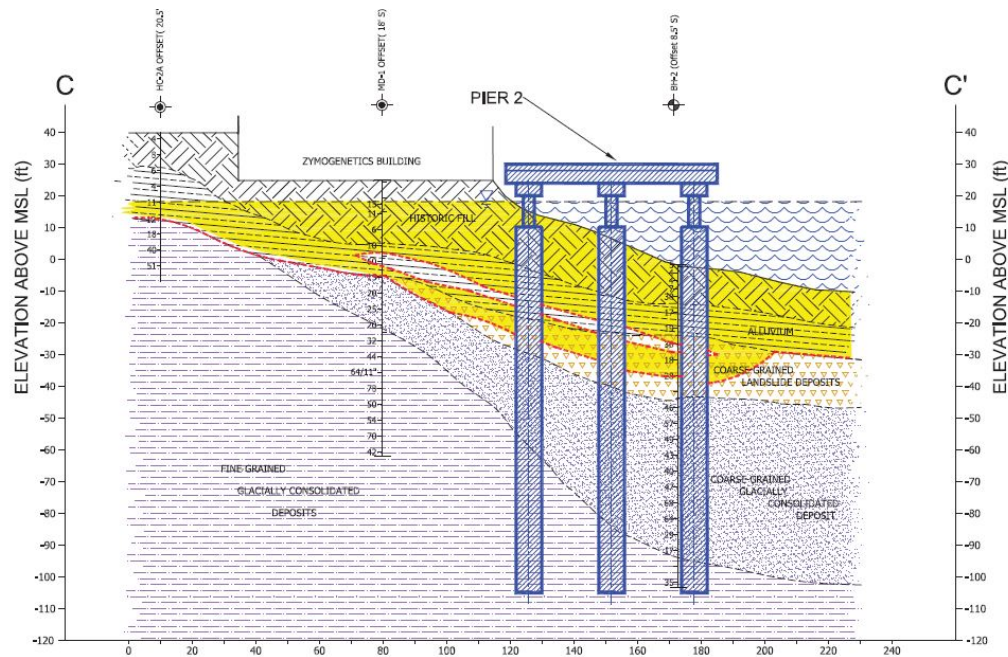
1. Evaluate traditional design
2. Increase material strengths ( $f_y = 80$  ksi)
3. Increase reinforcing (triple bundled #18)
4. Reduce flow loads
  - Ground improvement
  - Evaluate pinned abutments
  - Materials to reduce passive pressure crust



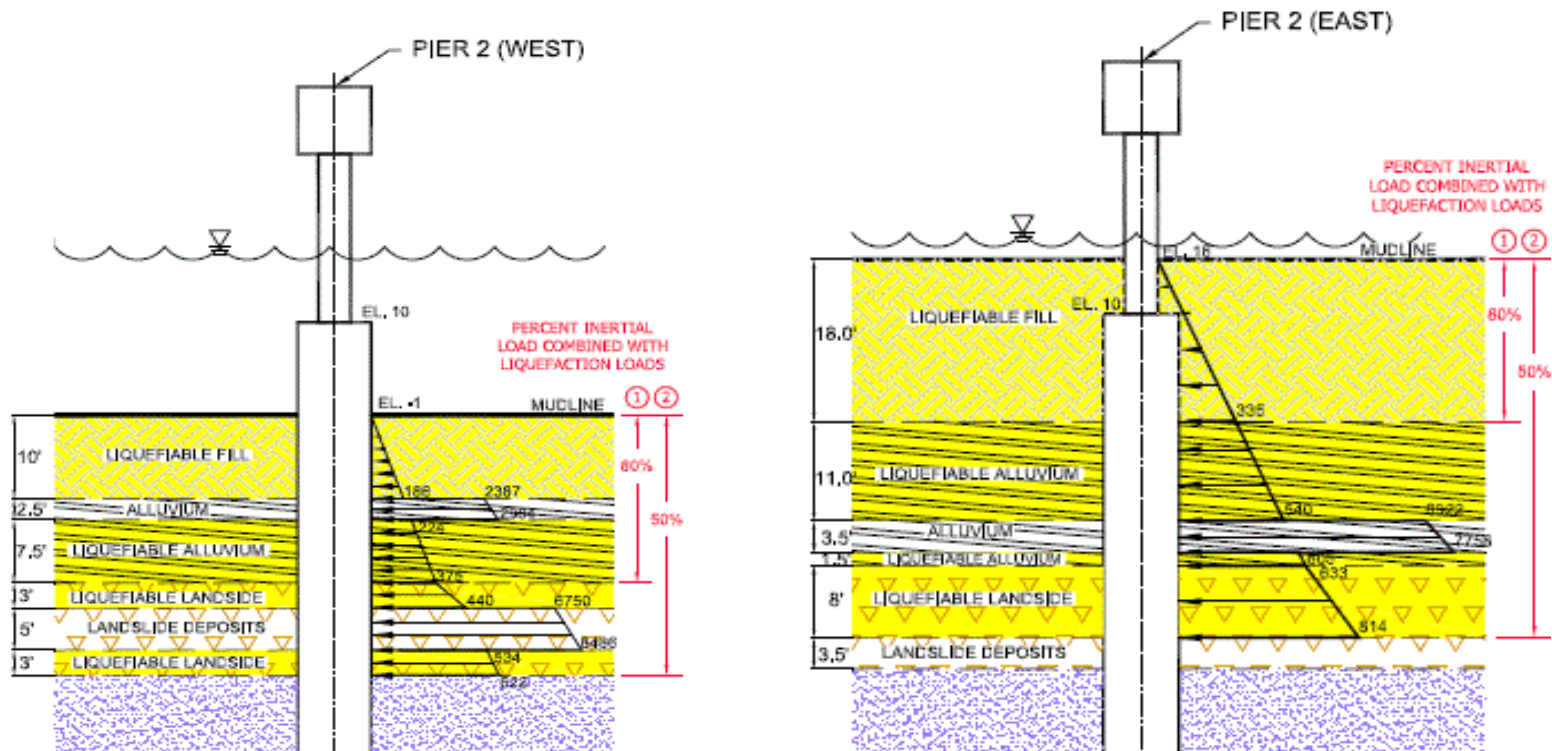
# INTERMEDIATE PIERS

## Design Challenges

- Poor Soil Conditions – low soil strength, liquefaction
- High flow loads during Seismic Event
- Shafts designed for Capacity Protection
- Appropriate combination of overstrength requirements and flow loads

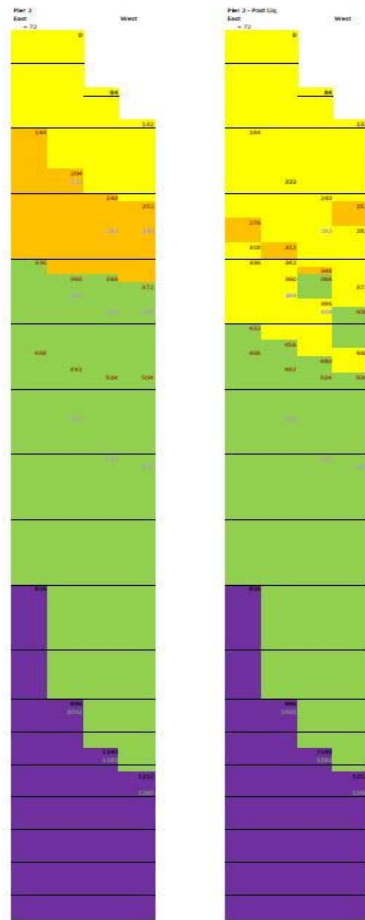


## Pier 2 - Flow Slide Event Loads



- High “Flow Loads” during Extreme Event
- Flow Load Timing
  - Upper layer with 80% inertial loads
  - Full flow with 50% inertial loads

# Soil Profile – Data for L-Pile



Depth to top of soil profile = -72 in.

Layer depth in.	section height in.	Unit Weight pci / pcf	Friction Angle deg.	Column A		k (py modulus) pci	Strain factor
				Shear Strength psi	Shear Strength psf		
0		0.0356					
12							
24							
36	216	61.517	9			20	
48	216						
60							
72		0.0356					
84	132	61.517	10			20	
96							
108	348	61.517					
120	348						
132	42	0.0356		36		50	
144		61.517					
156	390	61.517					
168	390						
180		0.0356					
192	18	61.517	10			20	
204	408	61.517					
216	408						
228		0.0438					
240	96	75.686	13			20	
252	504	75.686					
264	504						
276	36	0.0438		40		125	
288	540	75.686					
300	540						
312		0.0438					
324	0	61.517	13			20	
336	540	75.686					
348	540						
360		0.0435					
372	348	75.168	39			125	
384	888	75.168					
396	888						
408		0.0322		42.1	6062.4		
420	1312	55.642		42.1	6062.4	2000	0.004
432							
444							
456							
468							
480							
492							
504							
516							
528							
540							
552							
564							
576							
588							

Effective width = 96 in.

- Graphical Representation of Soil Profiles

- L-Pile properties entered for each pier
- Interpolation used for middle pier

# Soil Springs - P-Y Curves from L-Pile

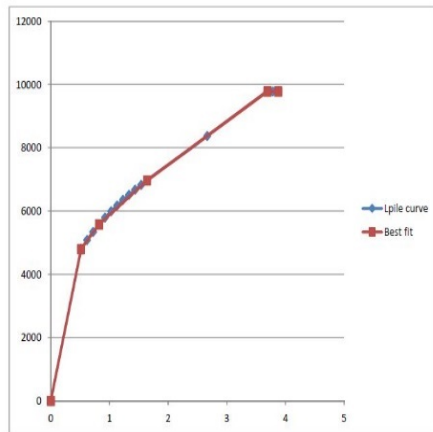
Pier 2, Column C

P-Y Curve LINK2C3 depth = 28 feet

y, in p, lbs/in slope

0	0	
0.5144	4793.98764	9320
0.61673	5083.28947	2827
0.71905	5341.6714	2525
0.82138	5576.21762	2292
0.92371	5791.72921	2106
1.02604	5991.62736	1953
1.12836	6178.44577	1826
1.23069	6354.11921	1717
1.33302	6520.16233	1623
1.43535	6677.78563	1540
1.53767	6827.97353	1468
1.64	6971.53863	1403
2.665	8378.80585	1373
3.69	9786.07308	1373
3.78225	9786.07308	0
3.8745	9786.07308	0

0	0
0.514	4794.0
0.821	5576.2
1.640	6971.5
3.690	9786.1
3.875	9786.1



location 28  
length 96

-939.463	-0.32288
-939.463	-0.3075
-669.268	-0.13667
-535.317	-0.06845
-460.223	-0.04287
0	0
460.2228	0.042867
535.3169	0.068448
669.2677	0.136667
939.463	0.3075
939.463	0.322875

Spring values modified for group effects

Table 11.  
P Multipliers for Center-to-Center Spacing of 3.2 Shaft Diameters

Row	P Multiplier
1	0.82
2	0.44
3 or more	0.33

- Typical P-Y Curve

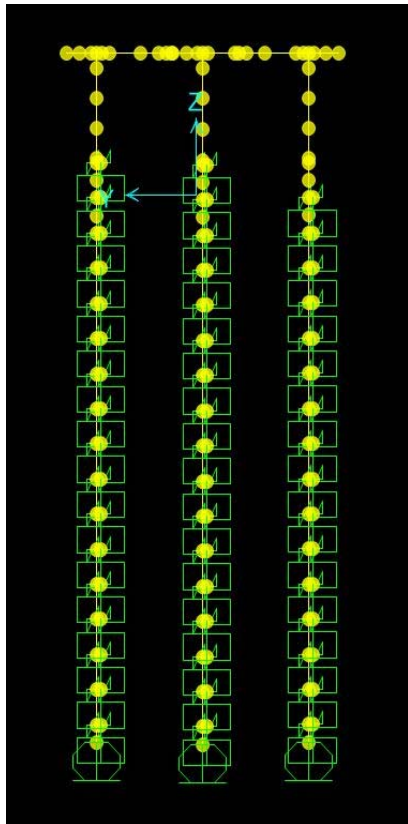
Parallel Direction



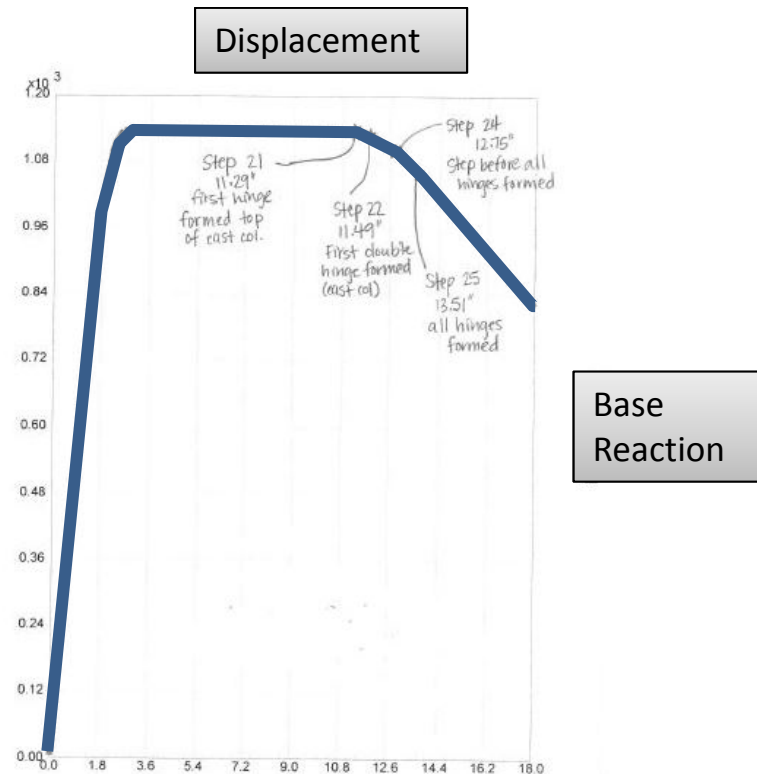
Perpendicular Direction



# CSi Bridge - Pushover Analysis with Soil Springs

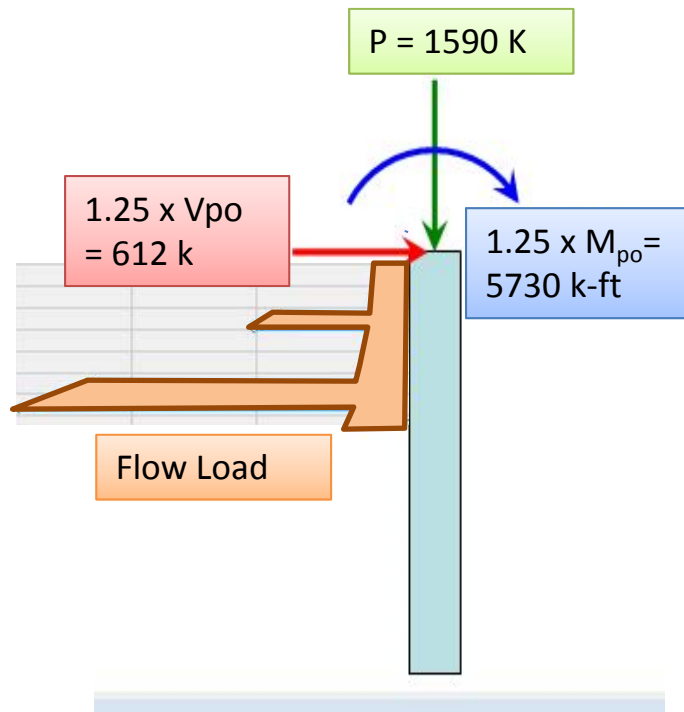


■ Pier 2 Pushover Model

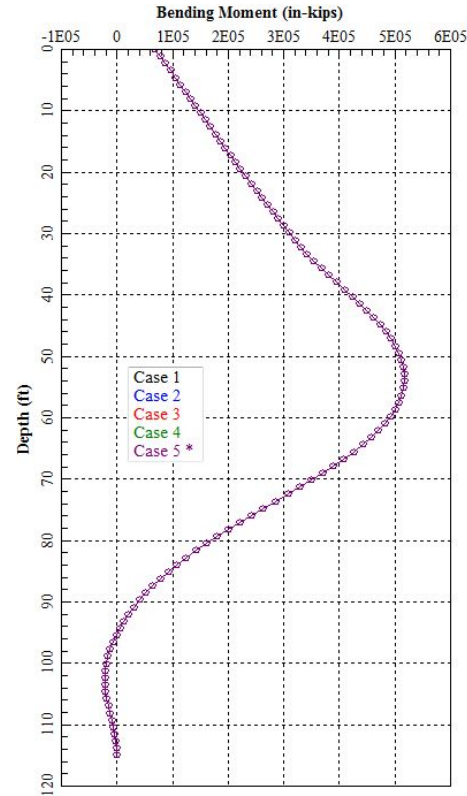


■ Pier 2 Pushover Curve

# L-Pile - Shaft Strength Demands

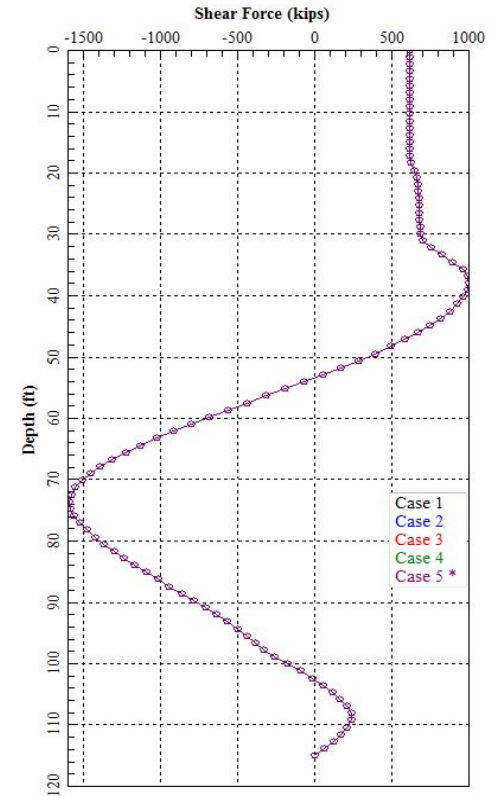


Shaft Loading



Pier 2 West - Moment vs Depth

Moment Demand



Pier 2 West - Shear vs Depth

Shear Demand

# INTERMEDIATE PIERS

## Design Results and Options/Decisions

### Meeting high flexural demands in shafts

#### A. Increase Strength of Shafts

- Increase number of shafts
- Use 3-bar bundles of reinforcement
- Use concentric rings of reinforcement
- Increase material strength

#### B. Decrease demands in shafts

- Reduce inertial forces with flow loads
  - NO Reduction in column plastic hinge.
- Reduce of the multiplier on  $M_{po}$  in combination with flow loads.

# INTERMEDIATE PIERS

1.25  $M_{po}$  vs 1.0  $M_{po}$  when combined with flow loads

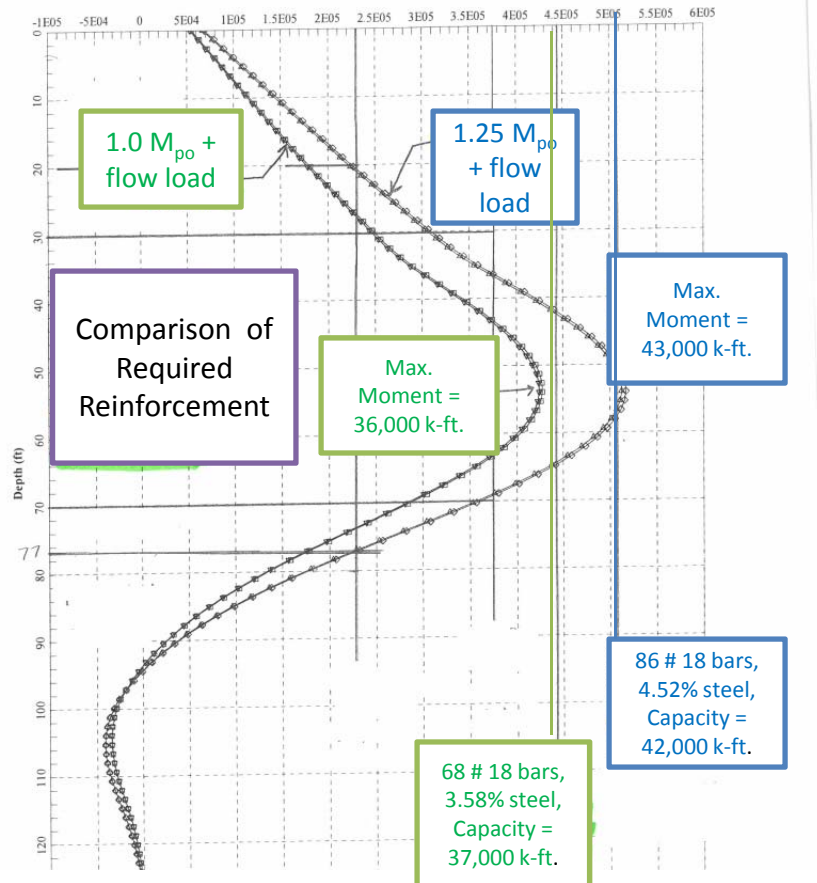
- AASHTO Code requires  $M_{ne} > 1.25 \times M_{po}$
- Reduction of the multiplier: AASHTO Guide Spec 8.9 States:
  - “With the Owner’s approval, the factor of 1.25 may be reduced to 1.0 for the liquefied configuration.”
- The Code does not address combination with flow loads.
- Flow load occurs after the maximum inertial load



# INTERMEDIATE PIER OPTIONS

$1.25M_{po}$  vs  $1.0 M_{po}$  - Forces generated in Shafts

## Moment in Shafts – Pier 2, west side

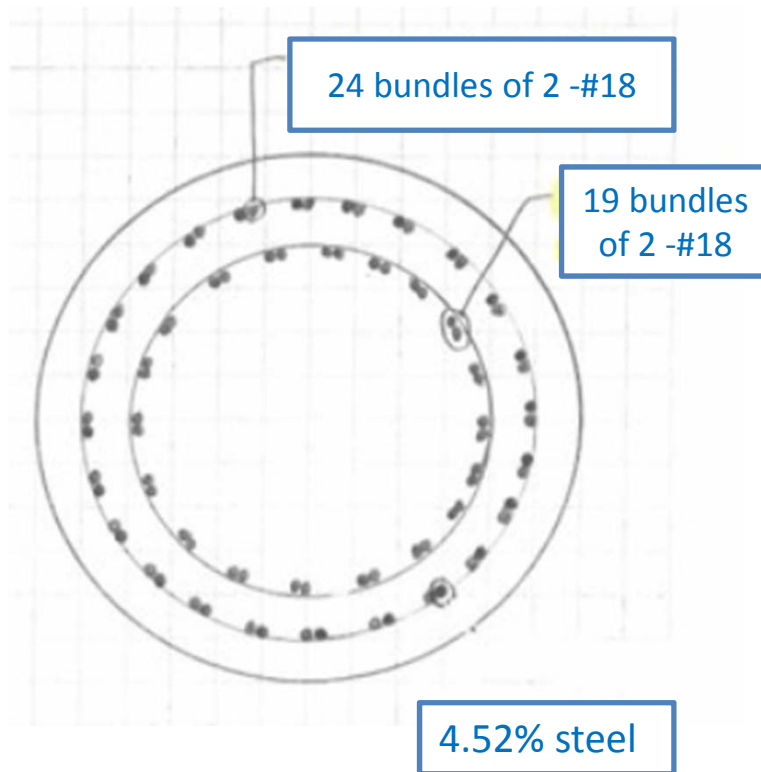


- Flow load analysis assumes no soil resistance in the flow zone.
- $1.25 \times M_{po}$  + NO flow load results are similar to  $1.0 \times M_{po}$  + flow loads

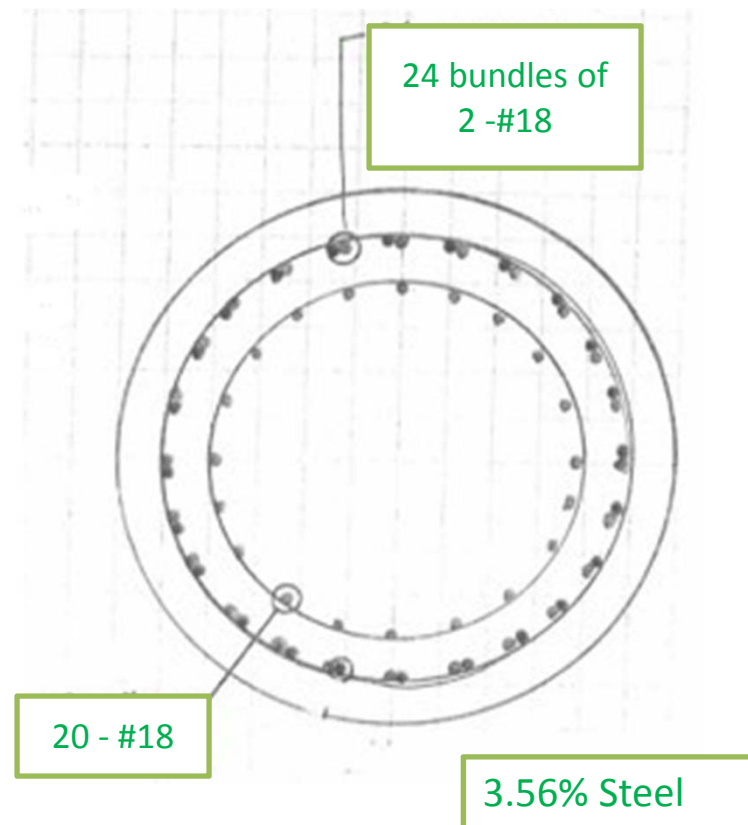
# INTERMEDIATE PIER OPTIONS

$1.25M_{po}$  vs  $1.0 M_{po}$  - Reinforcement in Shafts

Pier 2 - Design for  $1.25 M_{po}$  with flow loads



Pier 2 - Design for  $1.0 M_{po}$  with flow loads  
OR for  $1.25 M_{po}$  without flow loads



# INTERMEDIATE PIERS

## Use of Higher Strength Materials

- Use of 80 ksi Reinforcement
  - Reduces reinforcement
  - Meets design strength without 3 bar bundles or a concentric inner ring.
  - Availability increasing, already being used.
- Use of Concrete with  $f'_c = 5000$  psi
  - Best practice to match 80 ksi reinforcement.
  - Stiffer shaft reduces maximum moment
  - Increases shear capacity

Shortly after our discussions with SDOT and WSDOT on the use of 5000 ksi concrete in shafts, this memorandum was issued by WSDOT.



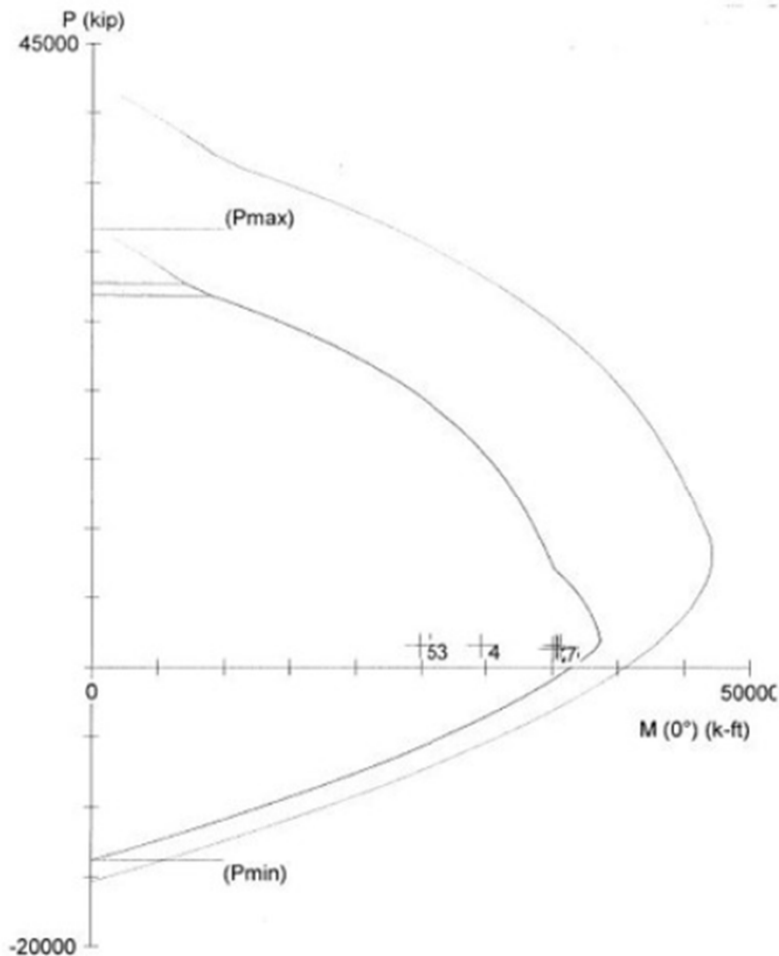
### Design Memorandum

TO: All Design Section Staff  
FROM: Bijan Khaleghi  
DATE: September 23, 2016  
SUBJECT: Concrete Class 5000P in Bridge Foundations

This design memorandum allows the use of Concrete Class 5000P for piles, shafts, and deep foundations for bridges and other structures. Concrete Class 5000P should be called out in the Plans by designers for use in deep foundations for bridges and may be specified in other locations where Concrete Class 4000P would otherwise be specified.

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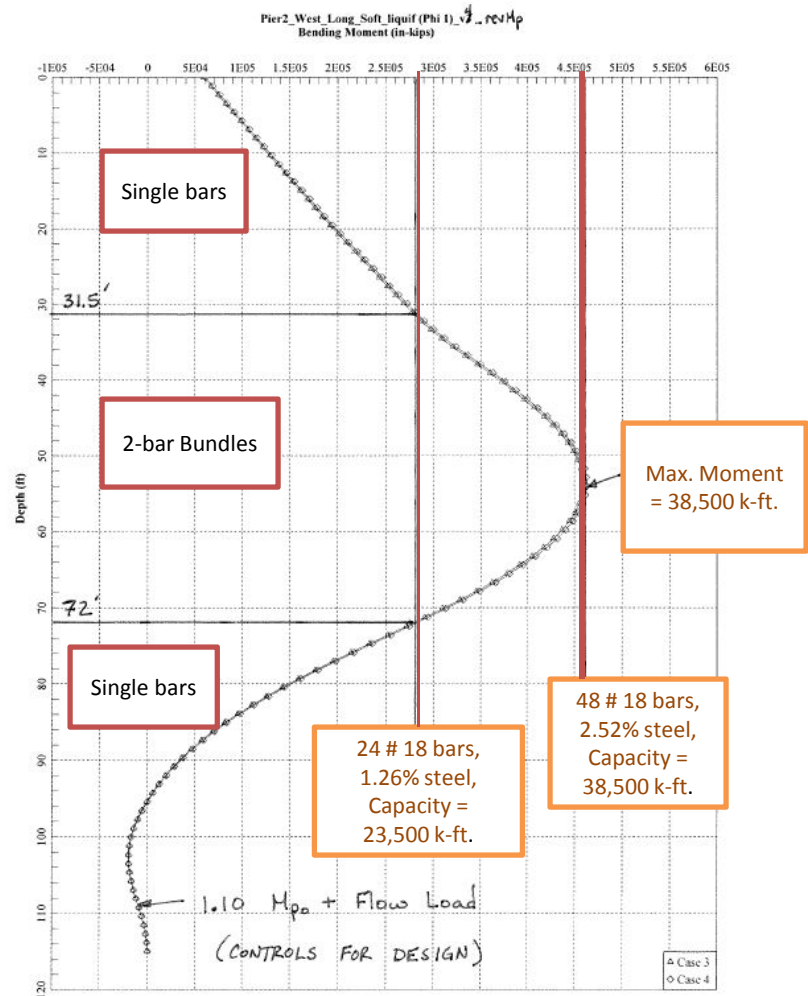
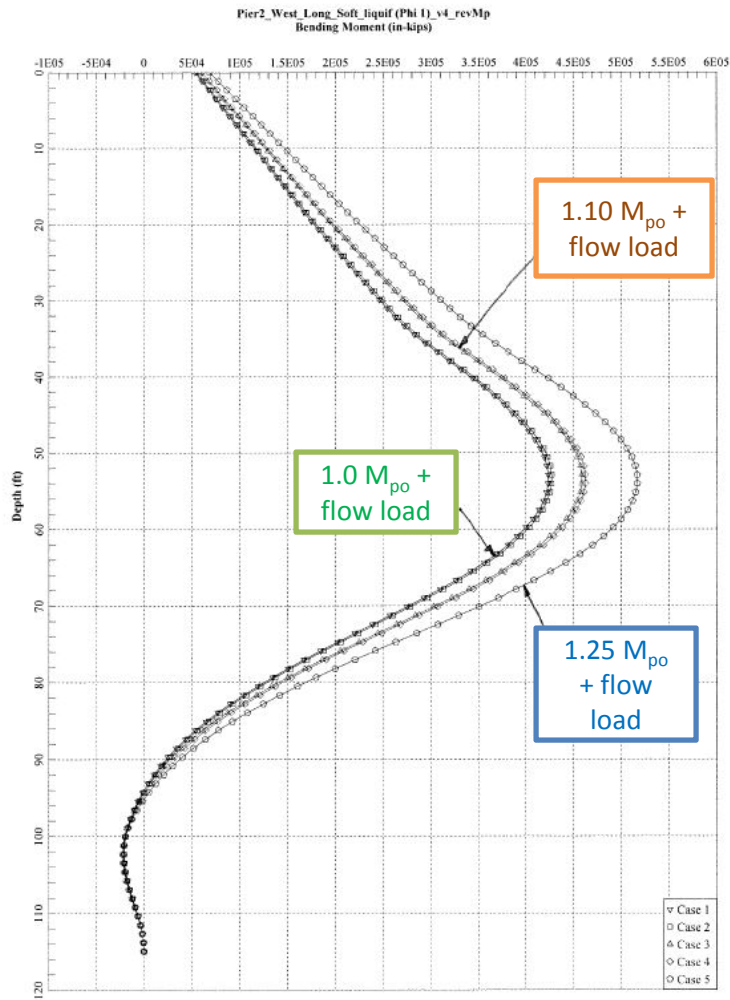
## Revised Analysis with Higher Strength Materials



- Column Strength analysis using spColumn software
- Results for max. reinforcement in one layer with 2-bar bundles
  - 24 bundles of 2 -#18 bars
  - Based on 6" of cover and minimum allowed bar spacing

# INTERMEDIATE PIERS

## Revised Analysis with Higher Strength Materials



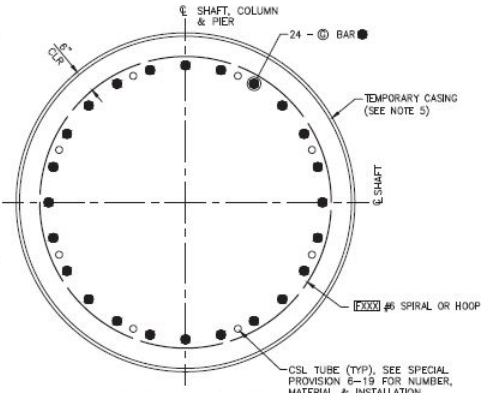
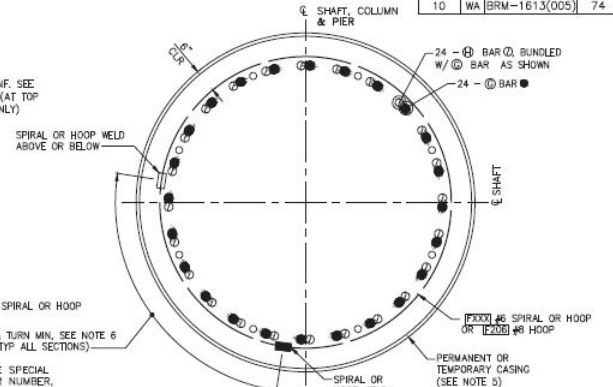
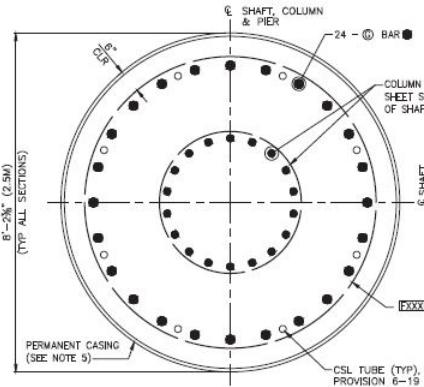
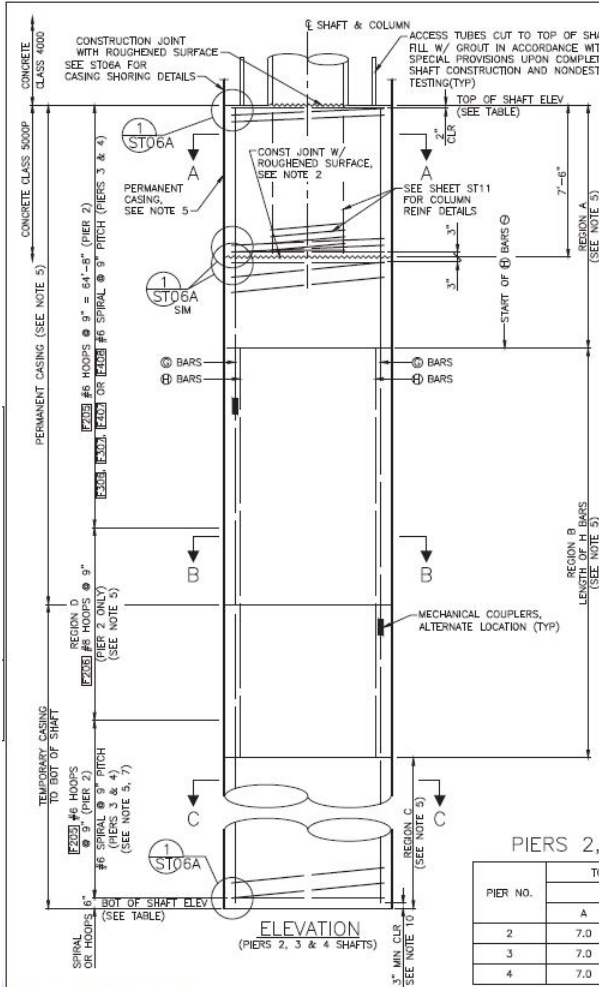
# INTERMEDIATE PIER

## CONCLUSIONS

- Higher Strength Materials
- Design for greater of:
  - $1.10 M_{po}$  with the flow loads or
  - $1.25 M_{po}$  without flow loads
- Reduces shaft reinforcement so one ring of 2-bar bundles is adequate

# INTERMEDIATE SHAFTS – FINAL SHEET

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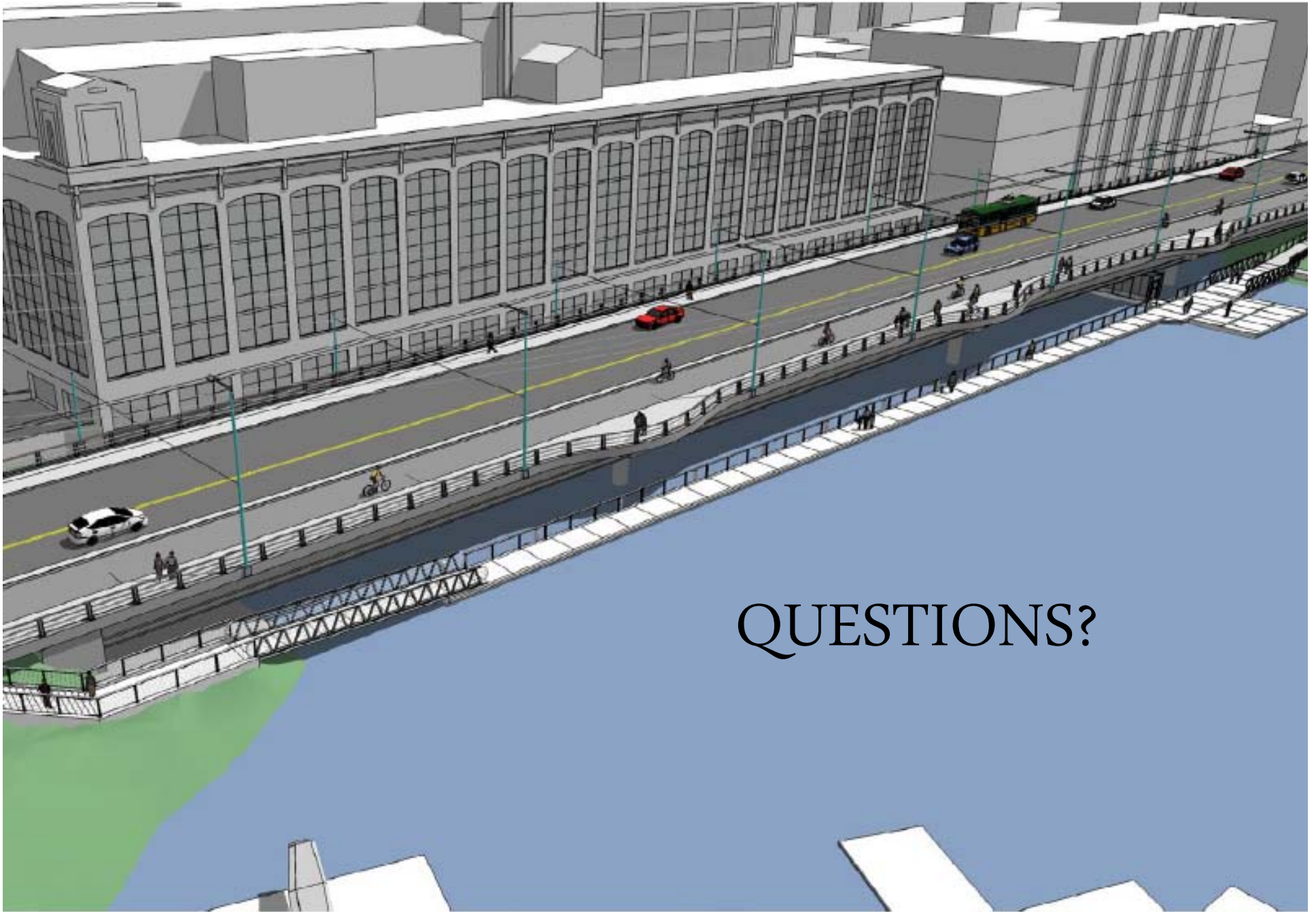
- NOTES:**
- SEE SPIRAL TERMINATION DETAIL ON SHEET ST06A. SPIRAL TERMINATION DETAIL TO BE USED FOR SPIRAL REINFORCEMENT ONLY.
  - REMOVE SEDIMENT LAITENCE AND WEAK CONCRETE TO SOUND CONCRETE PRIOR TO SETTING COLUMN REINFORCEMENT. (IF CONTRACTOR ELECTS TO NOT HAVE A CONSTRUCTION JOINT, SPIRAL REINFORCEMENT TO BE CONTINUOUS THROUGH THIS SECTION.)
  - ALL #6 SPIRALS SHALL HAVE WELDED LAP SPICES. SEE WELDED LAP SPICE DETAIL ON SHEET ST06A.
  - ALL #6 OR #8 HOOPS SHALL HAVE WELDED LAP SPICES OR BUTT WELDS. SEE WELDED LAP SPICE DETAIL OR BUTT WELD DETAIL ON SHEET ST06A.
  - FOR ALL TABLES TO DEFINE REINFORCING REGIONS, REINFORCING BARS, AND PERMANENT CASING LENGTH, SEE SHEET ST06A.
  - ALL SPIRAL OR HOOP WELDS SHALL BE STAGGERED 1/4 TURN MIN. NO SPIRAL OR HOOP WELD SHALL BE WITHIN 1/4 TURN OF ANY WELDS OF THE ADJACENT (UP OR DOWN) SPIRAL OR TWO (2) HOOPS.
  - #6 SPIRAL @ 9" PITCH SHALL BE USED FOR FULL LENGTH OF SHAFTS AT PIERS 3 & 4.
  - FOR CASING SHORING DETAILS, SEE SHEET ST06A.
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PIERS 2, 3, & 4 SHAFT ELEVATION TABLE

PIER NO.	TOP OF SHAFT ELEVATION			BOTTOM OF SHAFT ELEVATION		
	A	B	C	A	B	C
2	7.0	7.0	7.0	-108.0	-108.0	-108.0
3	7.0	7.0	7.0	-108.0	-123.0	-123.0
4	7.0	7.0	7.0	-108.0	-128.0	-128.0

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PIERS 2, 3 & 4 SHAFTS



QUESTIONS?