



ITD's Mores Creek Bridge Asset Management Plan Case Study

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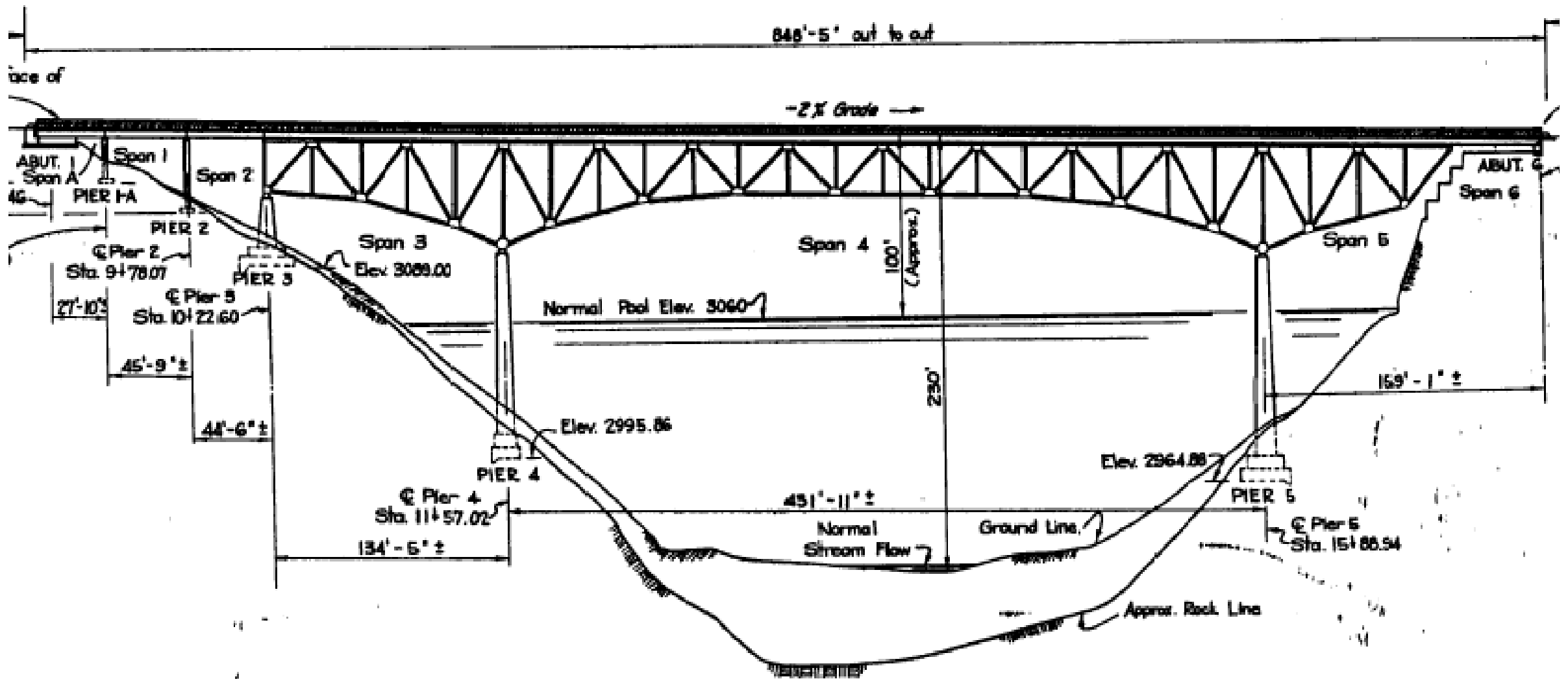
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Objective

To assess one of Idaho Transportation Department's (ITD) major bridge structures to determine the best option to extend its service life to 100 yrs.

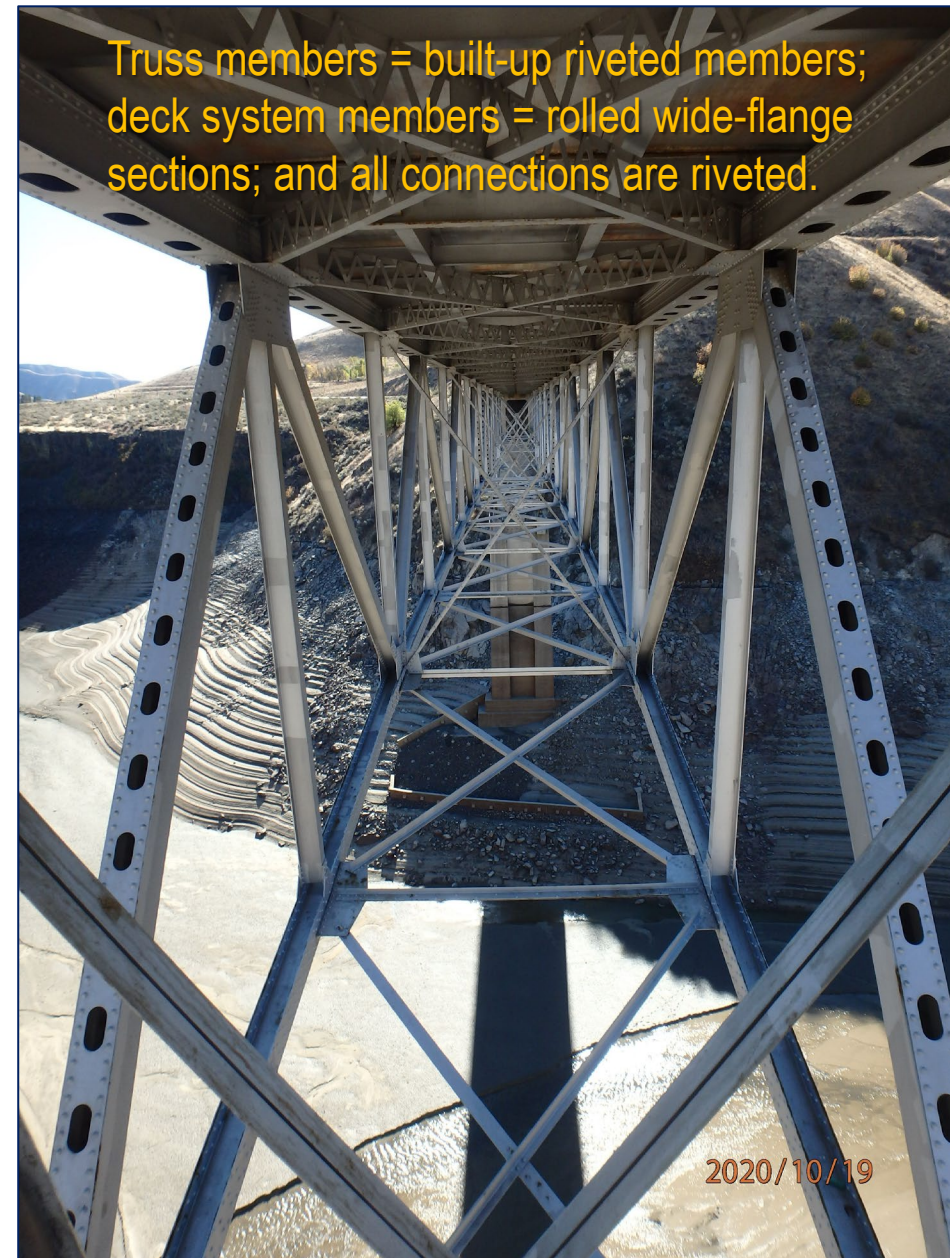


Objective (Continued)

The comprehensive study followed a prescriptive asset management process, with transparent methodology to ensure an unbiased outcome.

Bridge Identification

- Mores Creek Bridge (Bridge Key: 12815)
- 848 feet long x 32 feet wide
- Carries 1 lane NB & 1 lane SB of SH 21 over Mores Creek and Lucky Peak Reservoir
- 95 feet above normal pool elevation
- Designed for 2 lanes of AASHTO HS15 traffic
- Located 17 miles NE of Boise, Idaho (USA)
- 3-span deck truss bridge with 4 steel girder approach spans
- Built in 1953; Concrete deck overlay in 2010; Latex epoxy overlay in 2017
- Annual Average Daily Traffic = 3,200 (2018) with 7% truck traffic
- Detour route is 75 miles



Bridge Components

- Deck Elements:
 - Reinforced Concrete Deck
 - Wearing Surface
- Superstructure Elements:
 - Steel Open Girder/Beam
 - Steel Stringer
 - Steel Truss
 - Steel Floor Beam
 - Steel Pin and Pin & Hanger Assembly or both
 - Steel Gusset Plate



Bridge Components (Continued)

- Substructure Elements:
 - Reinforced Concrete Column
 - Reinforced Concrete Pier Wall
 - Reinforced Concrete Abutment
 - Reinforced Concrete Pile Cap/Footing
 - Reinforced Concrete Pier Cap
- Joint, Bearing and Railing Elements:
 - Compression Joint Seal
 - Assembly Joint with Seal
 - Movable Bearing
 - Fixed Bearing
 - Metal Bridge Railing



02 Data Collection Methods



IR & HRV System →



→ SounDAR Testing System

Inspection / Evaluation

- Visual Inspection of Bridge
- Automated Deck Sounding
- Deck Chloride Testing
- Infrared Thermography and High-Resolution Video
- Corrosion Inspection and Coating Condition Assessment



03 Key Findings



Key Finding 1:

The worst-case corrosion is located along the floor beams at the deck joints.



Key Finding 2:

Pack rust formed between many riveted built-up FCM/NSTM members.



Key Finding 3:

More than 20 deck joints exhibit leakage over the floor beams.



Key Finding 4:

Install the missing neoprene trough below the finger joint assembly at Abutment 2.

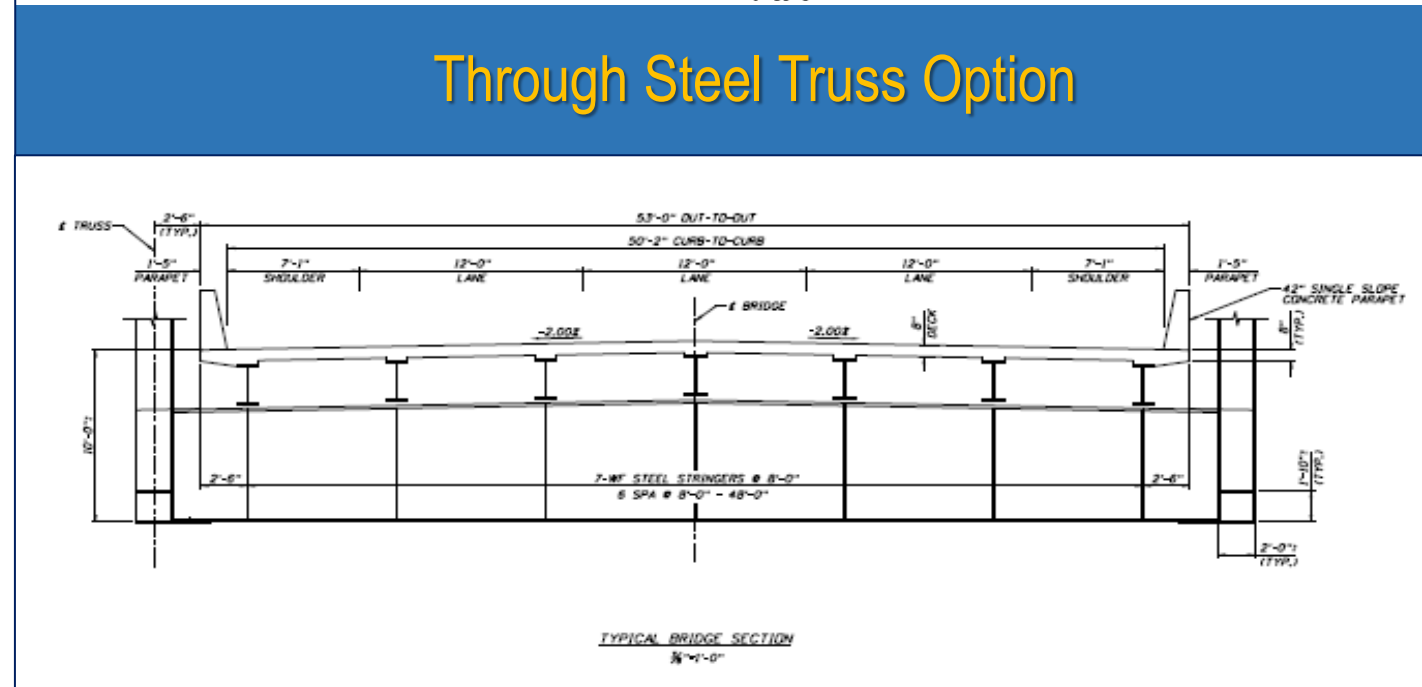
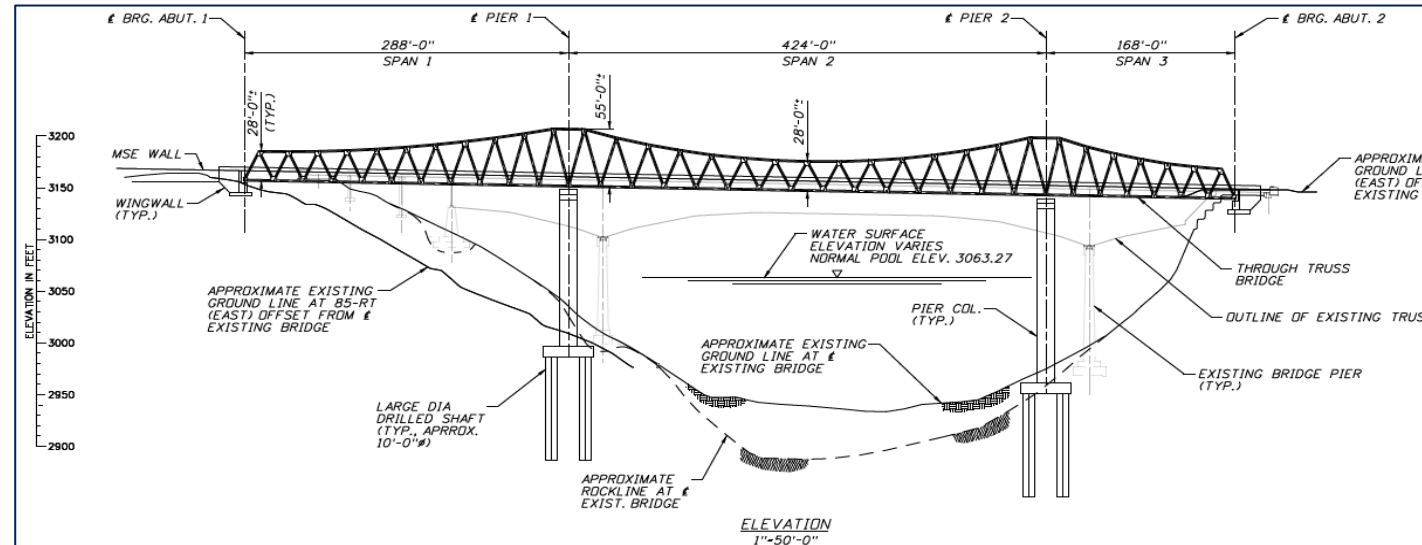


04 Asset Management Plan



Replacement Options

- Through Network Steel Tied Arch
 - Single 880-foot span crossing of the canyon with a network steel tied arch rise of approximately 160-feet
 - Estimated Cost = \$77,500,000
- CIP Segmental Concrete Box Girder
 - 3-span (288'-424'-168' span arrangement), depth varies from approx. 11-feet to 25-feet
 - Estimated Cost = \$79,100,000
- Through Steel Truss
 - 3 span (288'-424'-168' span arrangement), depth varies from approx. 28-feet to 55-feet
 - Estimated Cost = \$65,900,000



Rehabilitation Recommendations

- **Null Option**

- Assumes that the structure is allowed to deteriorate until such time as repairs need to be made to maintain the structure in safe condition for roadway traffic.
- NPV is over \$11.57 MM in current dollars

- **Implement Staged Repairs**

- Repair/replacement of the joints; Floor beam top flange corrosion mitigation; Extension of the scuppers; Miscellaneous concrete repairs to the substructure and underside of deck near joints; and Replace broken bolts on Pier 5 bearing assembly

- **Steel Coating Repairs**

| Option | Year Performed | Construction Cost (Current Dollars) | LCC - NPV | Paint Condition 2053 |
|-----------------|----------------|-------------------------------------|--------------|----------------------|
| Spot Painting | 2023, 2040 | \$ 1,982,448, \$ 3,196,021 | \$ 4,893,579 | 69% |
| Spot Painting | 2030, 2047 | \$ 3,196,021, \$ 3,196,021 | \$ 5,913,676 | 85% |
| Bridge Painting | 2023 | \$ 7,856,144 | \$ 7,756,852 | 62% |

Preservation Recommendations

- **Deck**

Annual spring washing of the bridge to remove ice melting chemicals; Repair joints (staged repairs); Extend scupper length (staged repairs); Perform SoudAR inspections of deck condition at 10-year intervals; and Monitor epoxy overlay condition and chloride ingress

- **Superstructure**

Perform spot painting in 2023 & 2040; Perform staged repairs in 2023; Evaluate the pins and hangers for capacity – monitor condition with visual inspection and non-destructive testing; and During biennial inspections, measure cracked spot weld in the upper chord plate connection at U17, LT, EXT, south end, measure crack in tack weld at L14, LT, EXT, and monitor interior gusset plate on the right truss at L4

- **Substructure**

Perform a detailed bearing inspection at Pier 5; Implement staged repairs; and Locate inspection points on substructure units for GPS location monitoring (detect movement)

05 Wrap Up



Alternatives Comparison

| Option | Remaining Service Life (yrs) | Construction | | Net Present Value (NPV) |
|------------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------|-----------|-------------------------|
| | | Total Expenditure | Year | |
| Null Option | 32 | \$26,058,487 | 2041 | \$11,569,803 |
| Replace the bridge (Through truss) | 100 | \$81,290,101 | 2026 | \$65,255,365 |
| Spot painting | 32 | \$8,635,347 | 2023/2040 | \$7,992,066 |
| Implement staged repairs | | \$3,546,960 | 2023/2038 | |
| Bridge preservation costs | | \$2,150,468 | ongoing | |

Conclusion

Based upon the assumptions made for this analysis, performing limited repairs, including spot painting and implementing preservation measures, has the lowest life cycle costs and represents the best value to the Idaho Transportation Department.

- (NPV \$7.99 MM vs \$11.57 MM)
- As a result, this is the recommended alternative.

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A photograph of three construction workers in high-visibility yellow jackets and safety gear (hard hats, face masks) standing on a white metal structure. The structure has a sign that says "Questions?". The background shows a rocky, hilly landscape.

Questions?

Thank you for your time

