

I-70 Overpass Beam Failure Lakeview Drive Bridge



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Learning Outcome

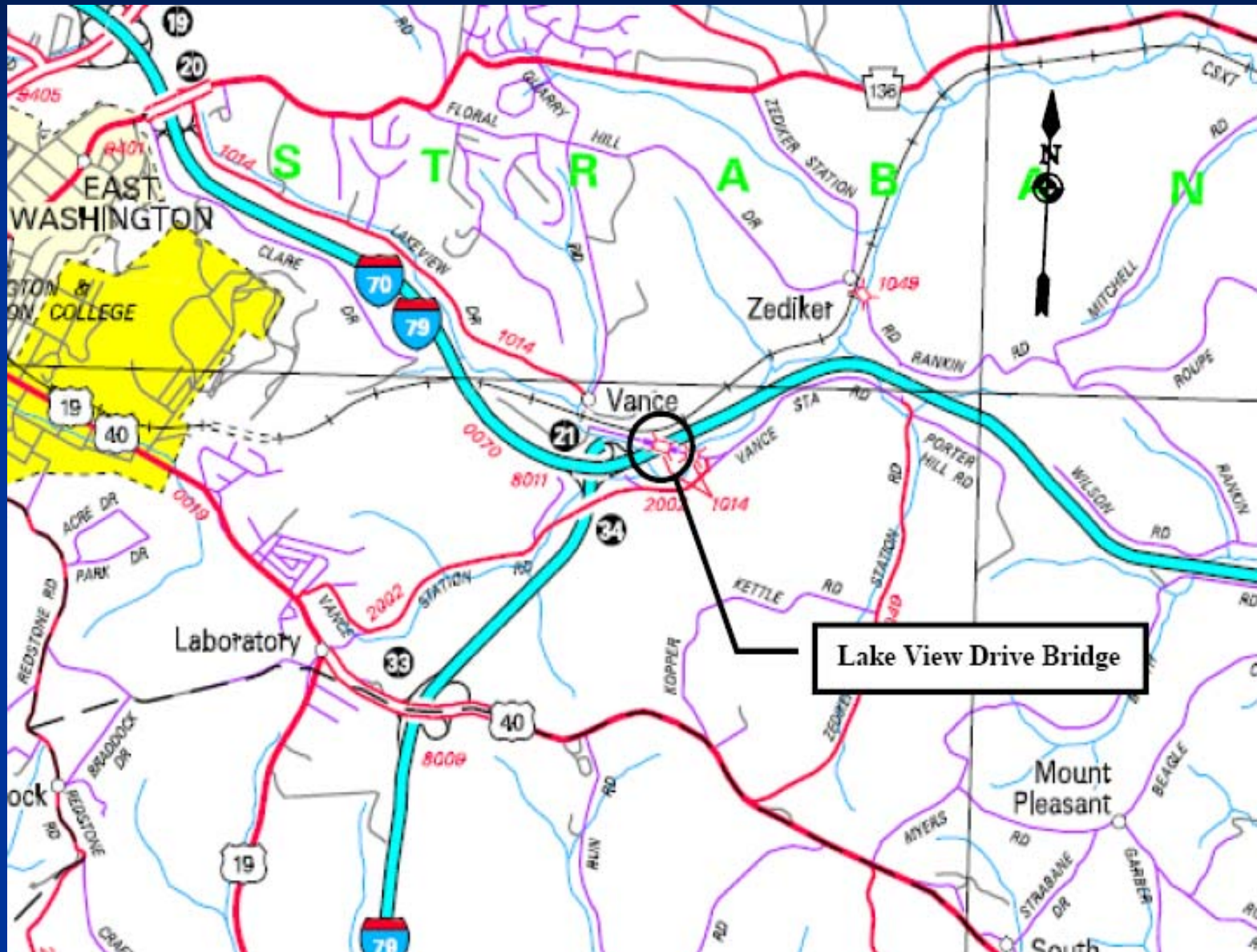
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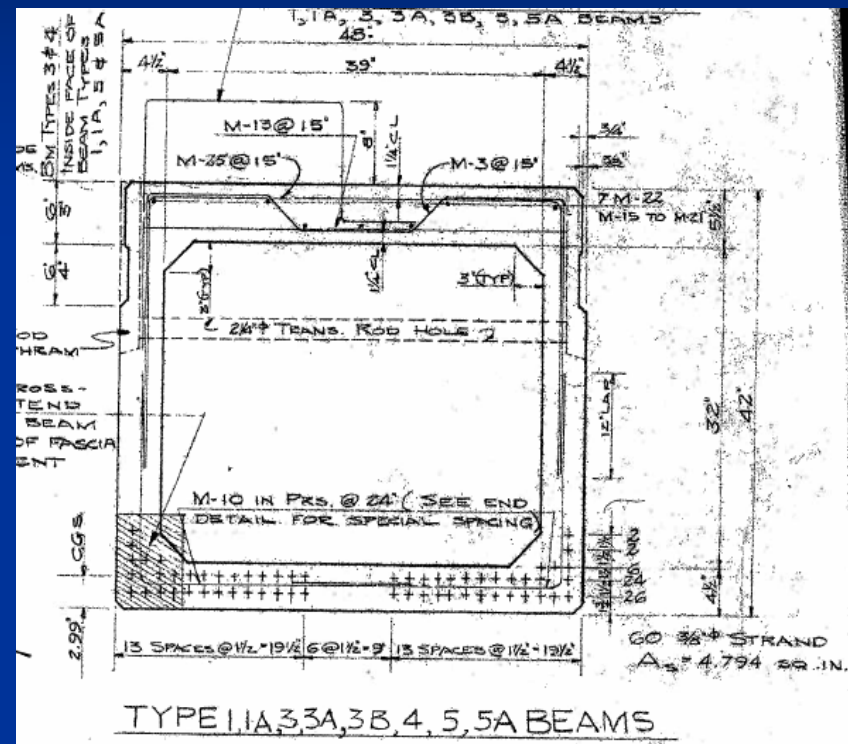
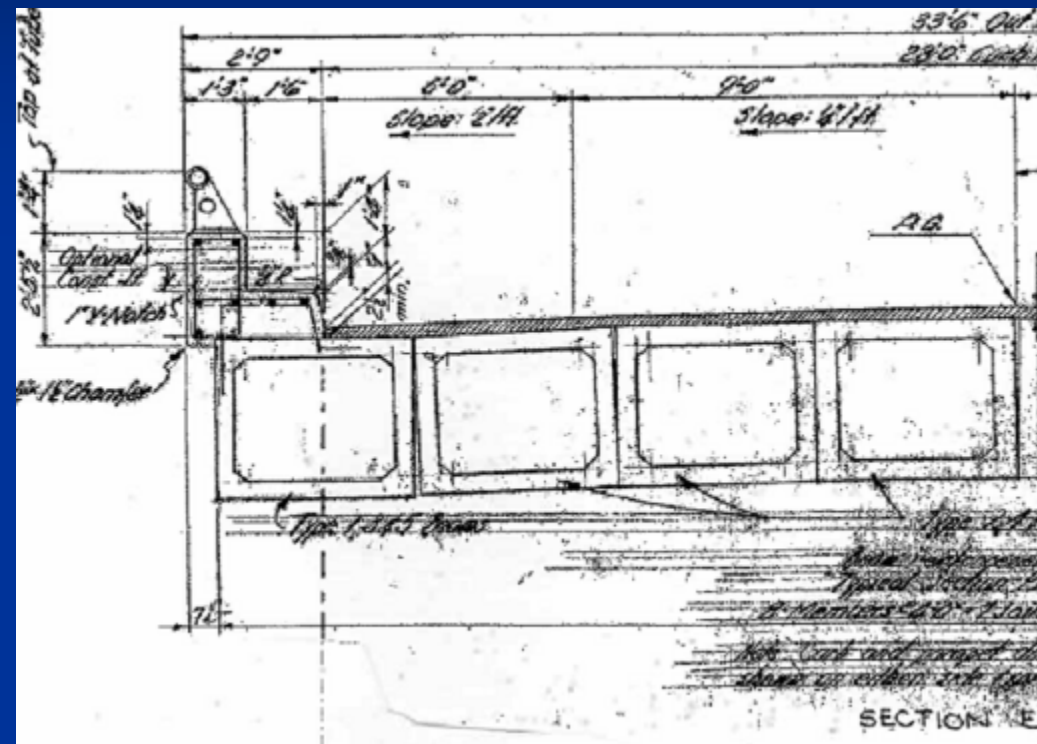
Rating Guidelines



Location Map

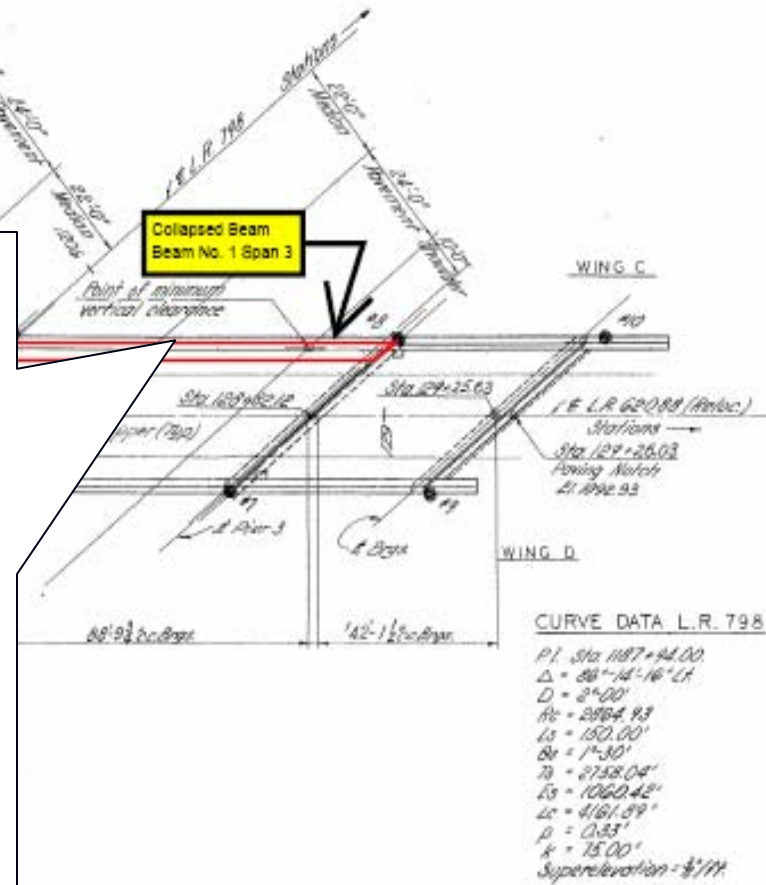


Bridge Cross Section



Non-composite

Bridge Plan View





Forensic Inspection and Evaluation

**Field Inspection and Forensic Investigation
of the
SR 1014 Lake View Drive Bridge
over
Interstate 70**

Final Report



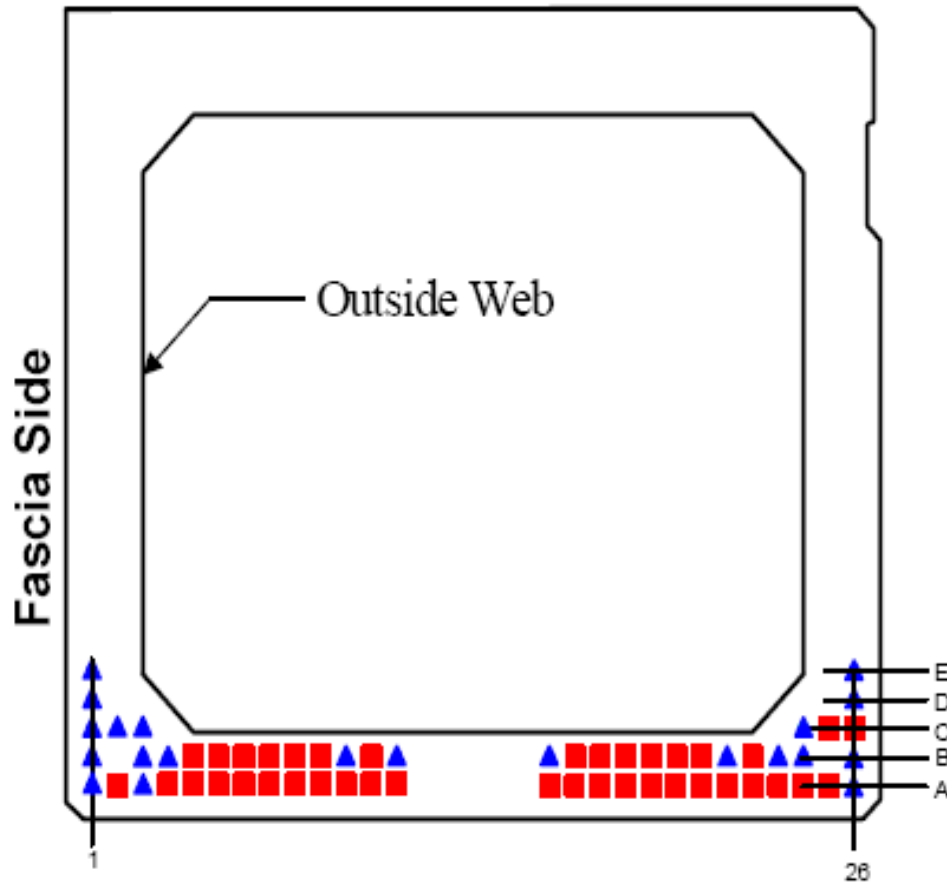
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- **Re-opening I-70 WB**
- **Safety of other similar bridges in PA**

Forensic Evaluation of Materials



■ Primarily Corrosion Failure

▲ Primarily Overstress Failure



More Evaluation and Testing



PENNDOT Project 3900023623

Forensic Evaluation of Prestressed Box Beams from the Lake View Drive over I-70 Bridge

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Full-scale Testing Program on De-commissioned Girders from the Lake View Drive Bridge

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Material Properties

Tested concrete and prestressing strands met the design criteria

Concrete Strength f'_c

Strand Strength F_y



Design:
5900 psi

Measured:
6200 psi min
8400 psi max



Design:
250 ksi

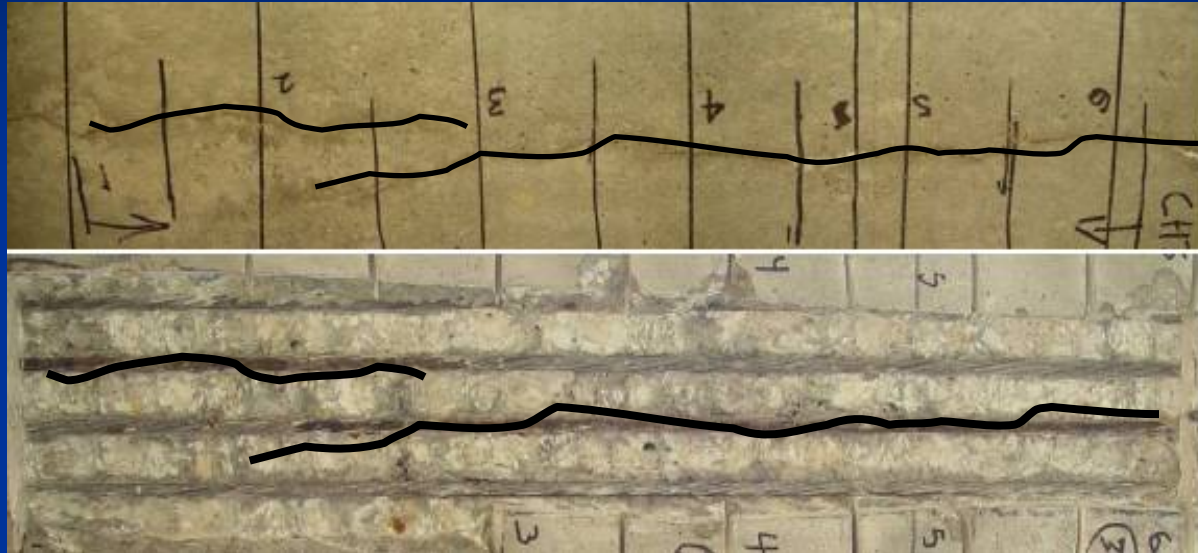
Measured:
276.6 ksi

Unforeseen Fabrication Problems

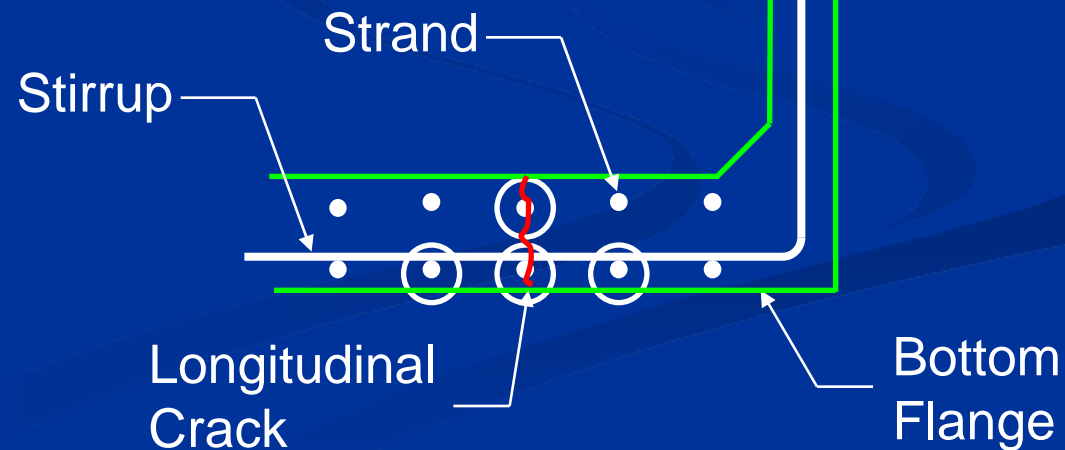


- Bottom flange thickness
- Bottom concrete cover
- Wall thickness
- Lateral post-tensioning tie rods and shear keys
- Vent holes and drain holes
- Prestress Loss

Correlation of Surface and Strand Conditions



Correlation of Surface and Strand Conditions (continued)



Key Inspection Requirements

- 1. Document exposed strands**
- 2. Document cracking patterns**
- 3. Define strand corrosion**
- 4. Measure camber**
- 5. Investigate Independent Beam Action**
- 6. Evaluate barrier and barrier connection**
- 7. Clear clogged drain holes**

1. Document Exposed Strands



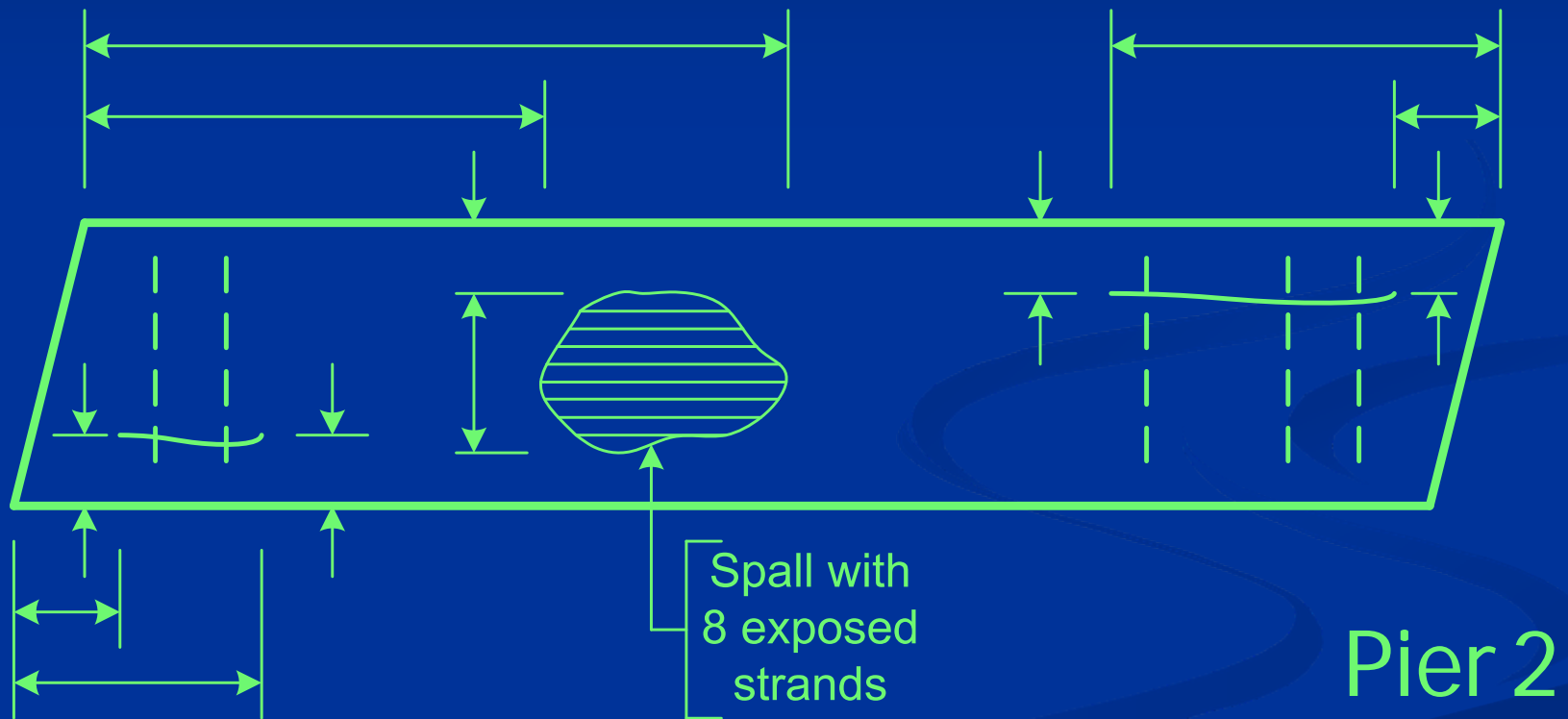
**Collision
Damage**



**Corrosion
Damage**

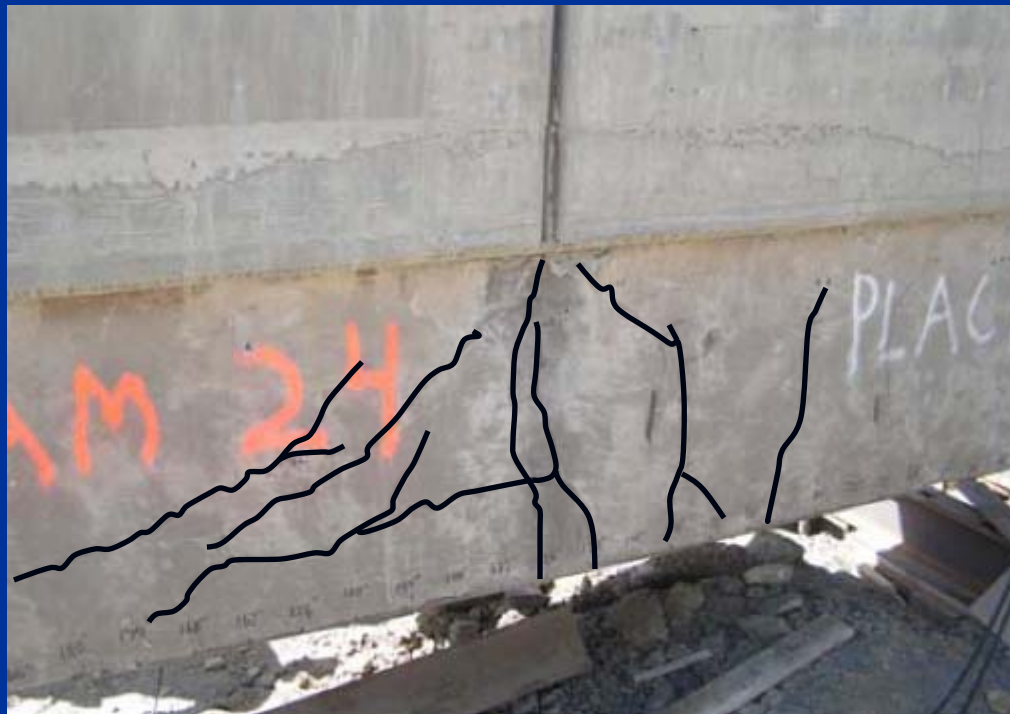
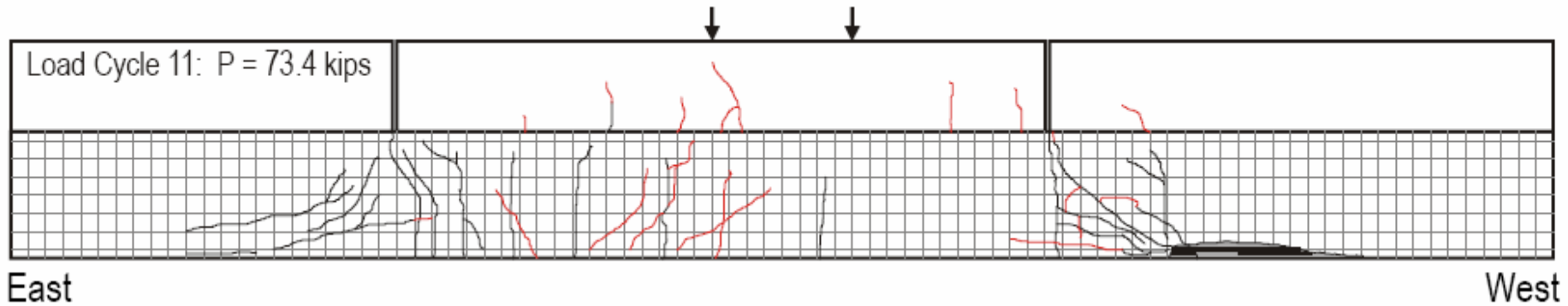
2. Document Cracking Patterns

Pier 1



Span 1, Beam 6

Cracking Near Barrier Joints

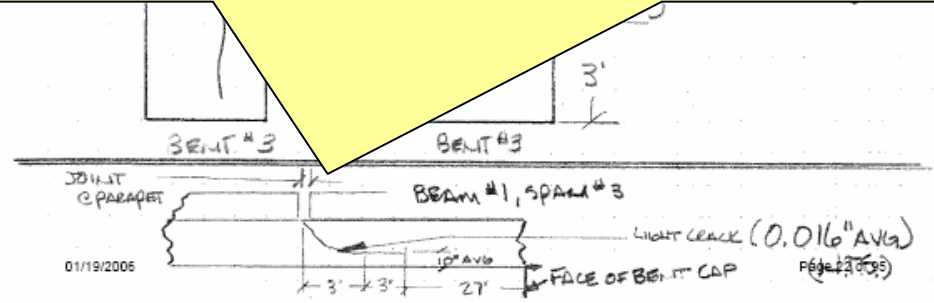
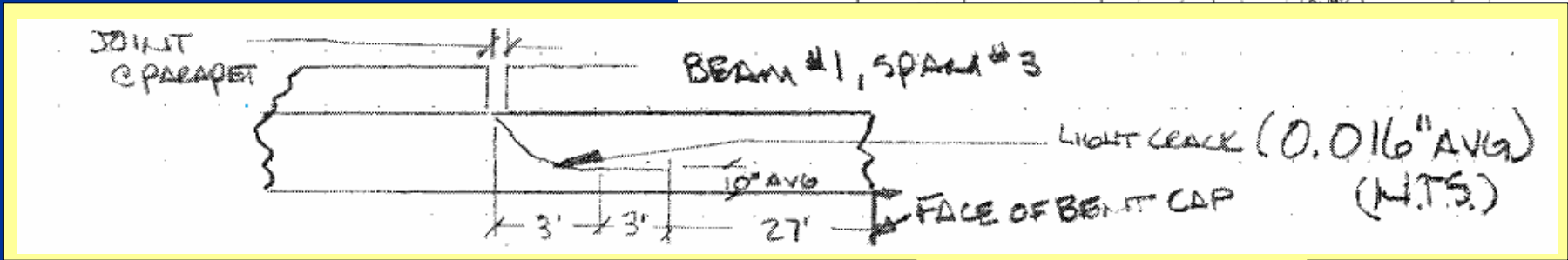
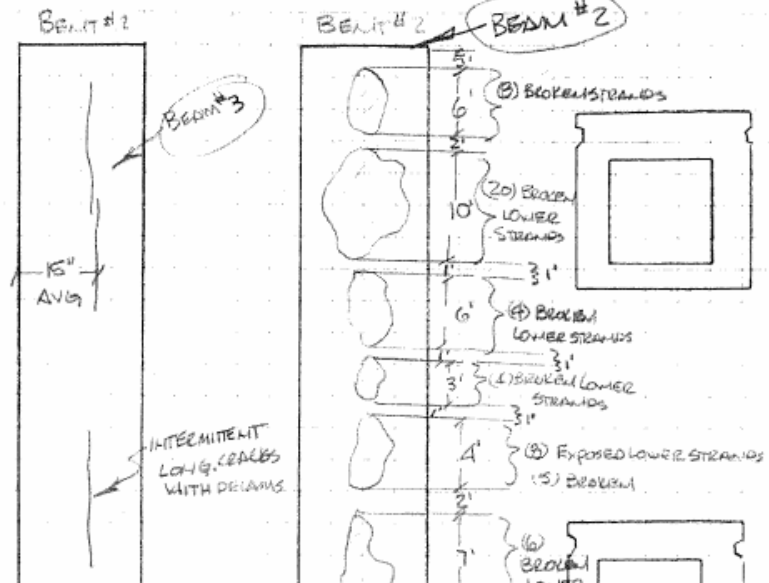


Cracking Near Barrier Joints



COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
ENGINEERING DISTRICT 120

CD 62
S.R. 4049
SEQ. 0030 OFFSET 1265
SUBJECT PRE-STRESSED BEAM
Span #3 / #3 AND #2
SHEET NO. 3 OF 6
BY JAC/CLK
DATE
CHKD BY
DATE

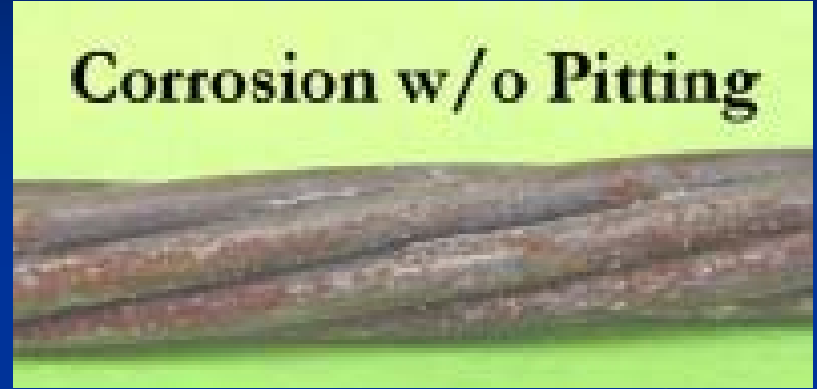


3. Define Strand Corrosion

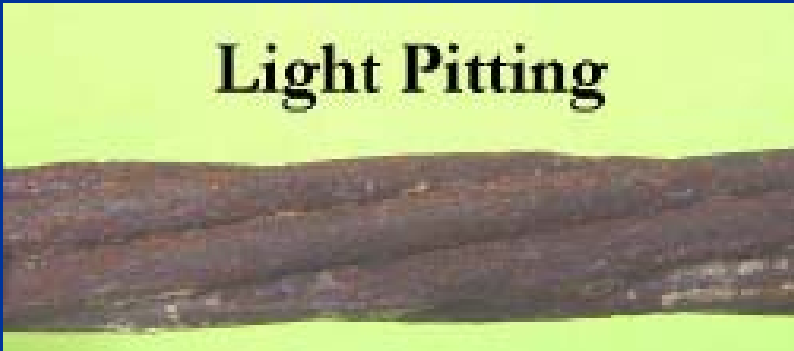
New 7-Wire Stand



Corrosion w/o Pitting



Light Pitting

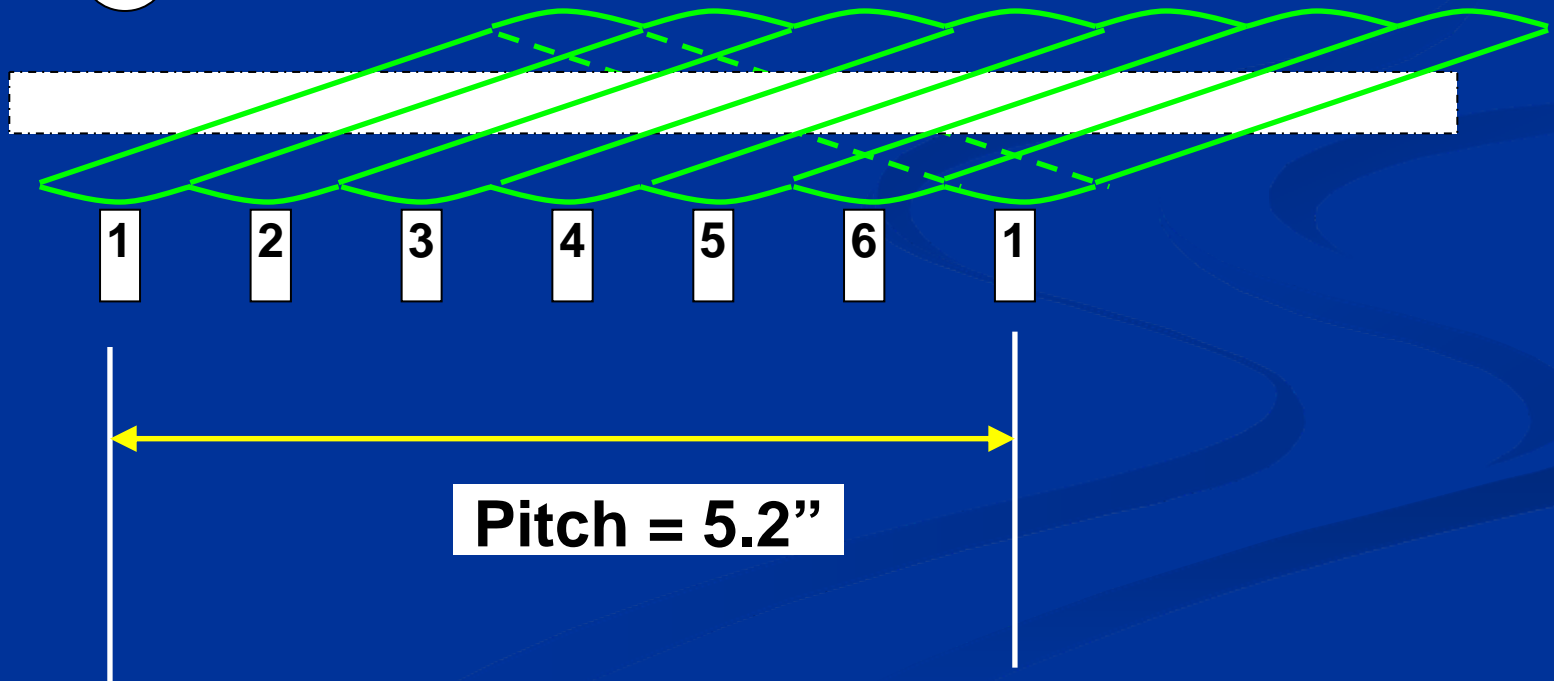
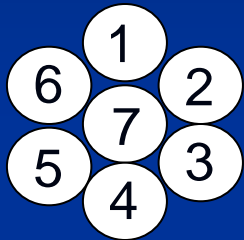


Heavy Pitting












Strand Pitch

7-wire Strand cross-section

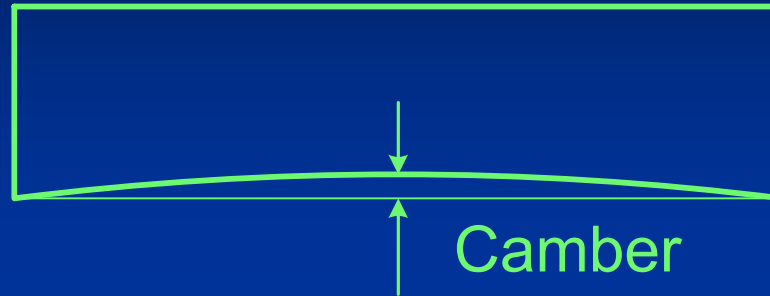


Corrosion Evaluation

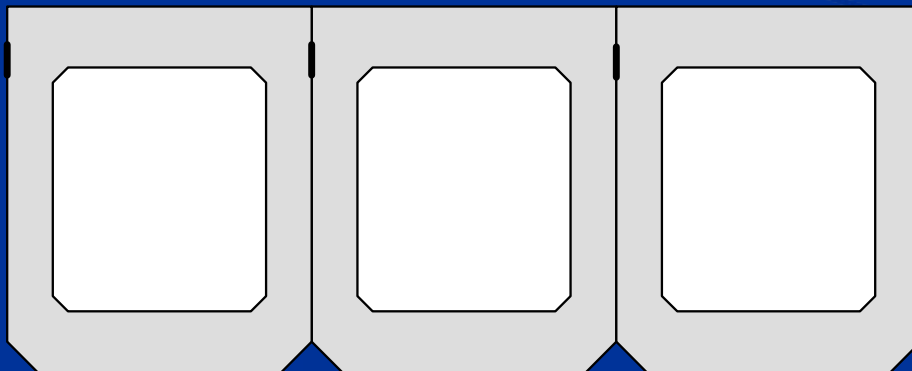
"Hand Out"

External Surface Condition	Strand Condition (In-situ)	Strand Condition (Removed)	Region Shown	Wire Condition	Average Condition
 Exposed Strand			5A between section 6 & 7 Strand D	Missing 3	# samples 9
				w/ Corrosion 4	w/ Corrosion 4
				Pitted -	Pitted -
				Heavily Pitted 4	Heavily Pitted 2.2
 Heavy Efflorescence w/ Rust			3B between section 1 & 2 Strand E	Missing 0	# samples 1
				Corrosion 6	w/ Corrosion 6
				Pitted 0	Pitted 0
				Heavily Pitted 6	Heavily Pitted 6
 Heavy Efflorescence			3B between section 4 & 5 Strand E	Missing 0	# samples 1
				Corrosion 6	w/ Corrosion 6
				Pitted 0	Pitted 0
				Heavily Pitted 6	Heavily Pitted 6

4. Measure Camber



5. Investigate Independent Beam Action



6. Evaluate Barrier and Barrier Connection



7. Clear Clogged Drain Holes



Rev 02/06

NOTE: The following table supplements the Condition Rating Codes for prestressed concrete adjacent box beam superstructures (Item E18 only)

Superstructure Condition Rating Guidelines for Non-Composite Prestressed Concrete Adjacent Box Beams

Condition Rating	Percent # strands exposed (single beam)	Other Deterioration of P/S Concrete Beams	
9 - Excellent	0%	No cracks, stains or spalls	
8 - Very Good	0%	No cracks, stains or spalls	
7 - Good	0%	Map cracks and miscellaneous hairline cracks	
3 - Serious	15-20%	Spalls	Spalls/delaminations, >25%
		Transverse cracks	Open flexure cracks in bot. Flange
		Web cracks	Vert. or diag. cracks in P/S beam near open jts. in barrier
		Camber	Sagging/Loss of camber
		Transverse Tendons	Broken or missing
5 - Fair		Spalls	Spalls/delaminations, <15%
		Transverse cracks	None
		Longitudinal cracks	Hairline longitudinal cracks in bottom flange
		Longitudinal Joints	Leakage at joints with light efflorescence
2 - Critical	>20%	Transverse Tendons	Broken or missing
		All	Any cond. worse than detailed above

Condition Rating Codes

The “Aftermath”

PennDOT’s State Owned Adjacent Box Beam Bridges

As of May 2006	Bridge Count	<u>CLOSED</u>	Load Posted	Restricted
Over Highways	20	3	0	0
Over Streams	778	1	11	15
Grand Totals	798	4	11	15

Participant Exercise

Prestressed Non-Composite
Adjacent Box Beam Rating













NBI Rating

- There are delaminations and spalls throughout and several longitudinal cracks up to 1/8" wide. Beam 2 has 30% of its area spalled or delaminated and 7 out of 54 (13%) strands exposed.

Rating = 3, Serious

Rating Reasoning

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Rating: 4

6-15%

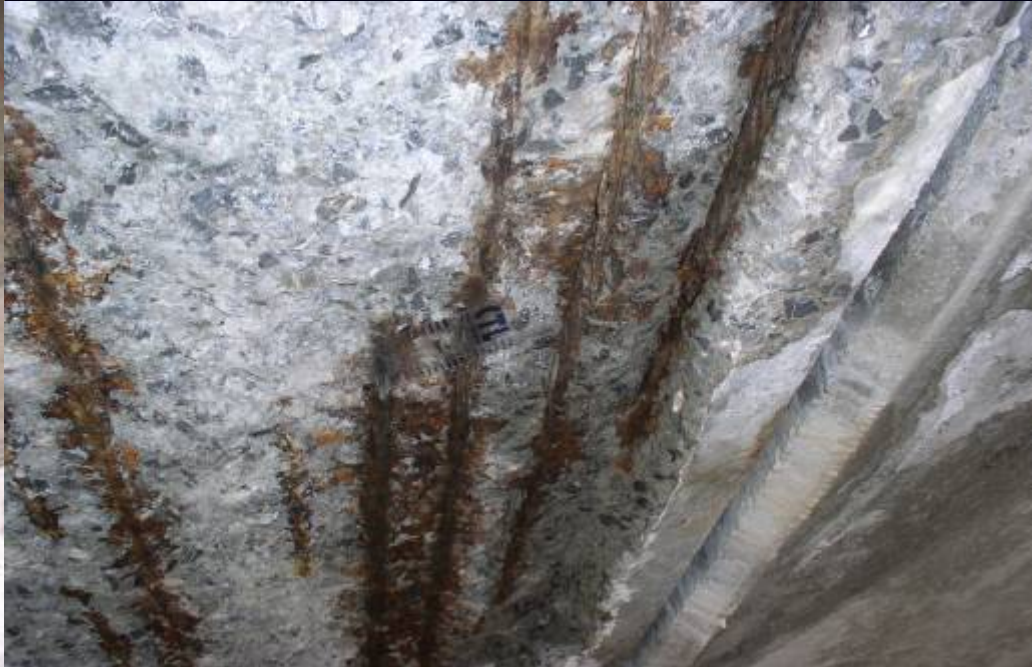
**Strands Exposed
(single beam)**

Composite Prestressed Concrete Adjacent Box Beams

		Other Deterioration of P/S Concrete Beams	
		No cracks, stains or spalls	
		No cracks, stains or spalls	
		Map cracks and miscellaneous hairline cracks	
	Spalls	Minor spalls/delaminations, <5%	
	Cracks		
	Spalls		
	Transverse		
	Longitudinal		
	Longitudinal		
	Transverse Tendons		Severely rusted
	Web cracks	Initial	vert. or diag. cracks in P/S beam near open jts. in barrier (< 3" length)
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Rating: 3

**Spalls/Delaminations
>25%**



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Thank You!!

Any Questions

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