



GFRP Applications in Bridge Decks

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Learning Objectives

- Demonstrate GFRP performance and use in hundreds of real life bridge projects
- Understanding how GFRP removes corrosion from the equation – Life Cycle Costing
- Seeing exponential growth as various design codes, specifications and corrosion policies evolve
- Understanding how applications expand as engineers utilize its performance and Codes

Presentation Outline

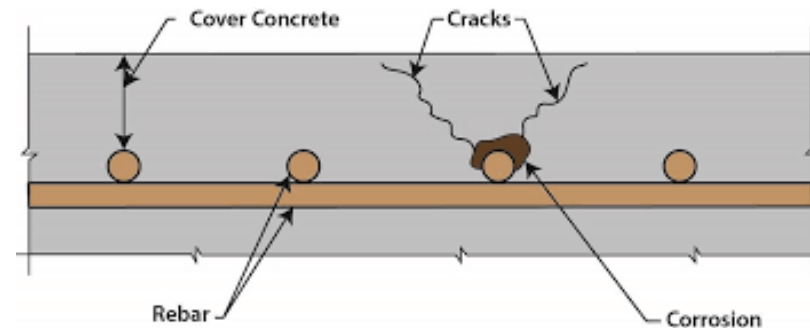
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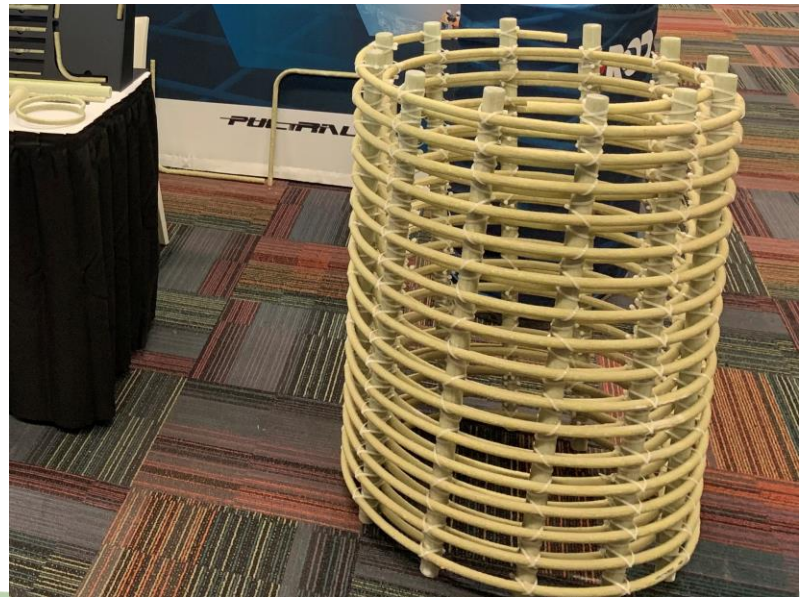
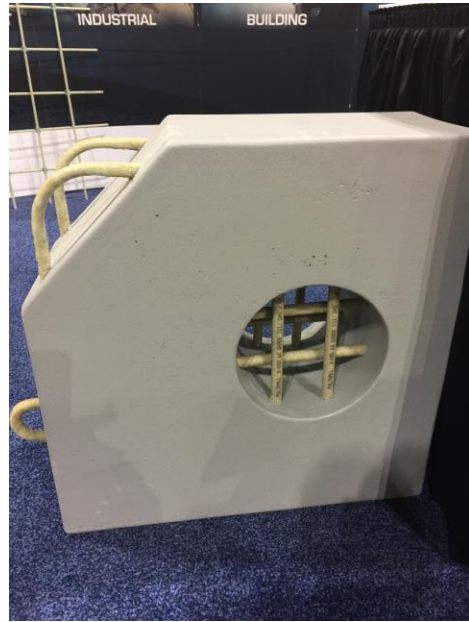
Why GFRP Composite Reinforcement

As engineers strive to deliver owners with more sustainable, safe and durable concrete structures, glass fiber reinforced polymer (GFRP) reinforcing is being used in innovative ways in a large range and scope of bridge decks and other structural components.

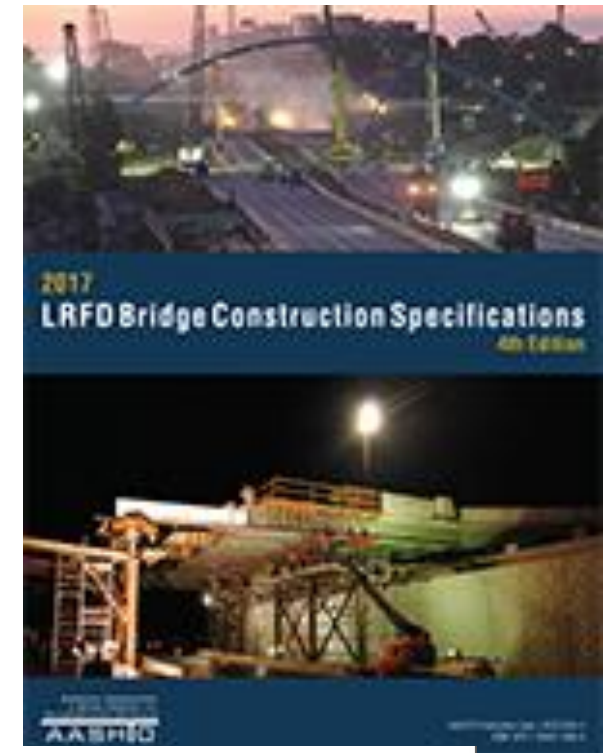
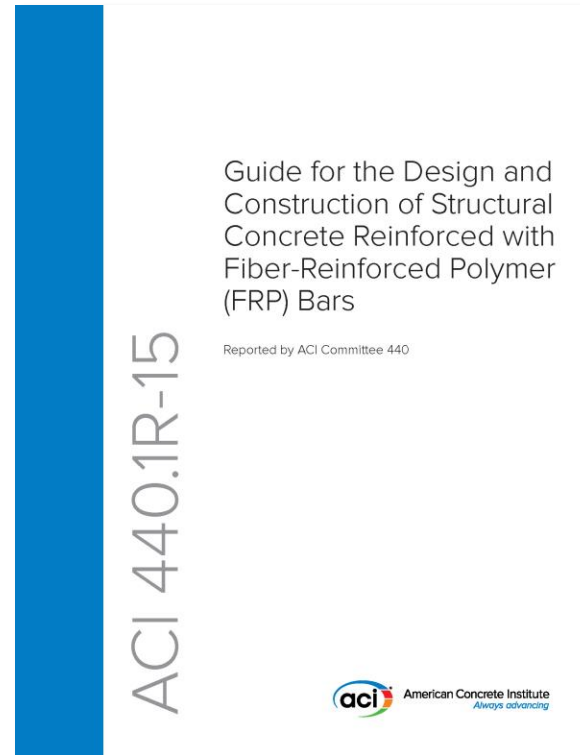


As opposed to more concrete cover, inhibitors or other corrosion protection measures, take care of the root problem in utilizing high performance, non-corrosive V-ROD GFRP!





Design Codes & Certifications - USA



Development of International Standards, Guides and Recommendations issued by the World Trade Organization Technical Barriers to Trade (TBT) Committee.



Designation: D7957/D7957M - 17

Standard Specification for Solid Round Glass Fiber Reinforced Polymer Bars for Concrete Reinforcement¹

This standard is issued under the fixed designation D7957/D7957M; the number immediately following the designation indicates the year of original adoption or, in the case of revision, the year of last revision. A number in parentheses indicates the year of last reappraisal. A superscript epsilon (ϵ) indicates an editorial change since the last revision or reappraisal.

1. Scope

1.1 This specification covers glass fiber reinforced polymer (GFRP) bars, provided in cut lengths and bent shapes and having an external surface enhancement for concrete reinforcement. Bars covered by this specification shall meet the requirements for geometric, material, mechanical, and physical properties described herein.

1.2 Bars produced according to this standard are qualified using the test methods and must meet the requirements given by Table 1. Quality control and certification of production lots of bars are completed using the test methods and must meet the requirements given in Table 2.

1.7 This standard does not purport to address all of the safety concerns, if any, associated with its use. It is the responsibility of the user of this standard to establish appropriate safety, health and environmental practices and determine the applicability of regulatory limitations prior to use.

1.8 This international standard was developed in accordance with internationally recognized principles on standardization established in the Decision on Principles for the Development of International Standards, Guides and Recommendations issued by the World Trade Organization Technical Barriers to Trade (TBT) Committee.

2. Referenced Documents

Design Codes & Certifications - Canada



CSA S807:19
National Standard of Canada



Specification for fibre-reinforced
polymers



Standards Council of Canada
Conseil canadien des normes

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CSA S6:19

Canadian Highway Bridge Design Code



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Design and construction of building
structures with fibre-reinforced
polymers



Overview of FRP Composite Reinforcement

With GFRP reinforcing used in hundreds of successful infrastructure projects to date, projects are becoming larger and more complex. Applications include new or rehab bridge construction of decks/barriers/approach slabs, sidewalks as well as precast bridge decks, box girders, RSS walls and curbs. Other applications include transit (LRT/BRT's), WTP's, parking garages, hydro/substations, airports, marine structures, mining, MRI's, tunneling etc

- superior tensile properties
- built-in corrosion resistance (non-corrosive)
- impervious to salt ions, chlorides and chemicals
- electrically/magnetically neutral (non-conductive)
- thermal benefits
- one-quarter the weight of steel
- FRP bridge/building codes and design manuals including ACI 440.1R and AASHTO LRFD in USA
- complies with ASTM D7957-17 Specification
- can be easily cut ie tunneling soft-eyes



As opposed to traditional design methods and materials, FRP's are 30% less cost than other alternatives as Life Cycle Costing evaluates the **total costs of ownership**.

Product Data Sheet – V•ROD 46

		#2 (6M)	#3 (10M)	#4 (12M)	#5 (15M)	#6 (20M)	#7 (22M)	#8 (25M)	#9 (30M)	#10 (32M)
Guaranteed tensile strength* (ASTM D7205)	MPa	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	950	850	800	800
	ksi	145.0	145.0	145.0	145.0	145.0	137.8	123.3	116	116
Minimum tensile modulus (ASTM D7205)	GPa	46								
	ksi	6800								
Guaranteed transverse shear capacity (ASTM D7617)	MPa	160								
	ksi	23.2								
Resin		vinylester								
Weight	g/m	73.4	150.8	264.5	403.7	567.4	760.5	1012.6	1281.6	1582.2
	lb/ft	0.049	0.101	0.178	0.271	0.381	0.511	0.690	0.861	1.063
Effective cross-sectional area (including sand coating)** (CSA S806 Annex A)	mm ²	36.5	71.12	123.9	195.8	277.1	377.2	477.8	604.7	746.6
	in ²	0.057	0.110	0.192	0.303	0.430	0.585	0.741	0.937	1.157
Effective diameter	mm ²	6.65	9.49	12.56	15.61	18.52	21.71	24.66	27.7	30.8
	in ²	0.262	0.374	0.494	0.615	0.729	0.855	0.971	1.091	1.213
Nominal cross-sectional area (CSA S807 Table 1)	mm ²	32	71	129	199	284	387	510	645	819
	in ²	0.050	0.110	0.199	0.308	0.440	0.599	0.790	1	1.269

COMPLIES WITH THE FOLLOWING STANDARDS:

- GRADE I CSA S807-10
- GRADE I MTO
- ASTM D7957 D7957-17

* The nominal guaranteed tensile strength must not be used to calculate the strength of the bent portion of a bent bar. Instead use the minimum guaranteed tensile strength found in the technical data sheet of bent V•ROD bars.
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Product Data Sheet – V•ROD 50

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Guaranteed tensile strength* (ASTM D7205)	MPa	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	900	800	800
	ksi	145	145	145	145	145	145	130.5	116	116
Minimum tensile modulus (ASTM D7205)	GPa	50								
	ksi	7252								
Guaranteed transverse shear capacity (ASTM D7617)	MPa	179								
	ksi	24.7								
Resin		vinylester								
Weight	g/m	77	157	278	431	619	867	1122	1420	1862
	lb/ft	0.052	0.105	0.187	0.290	0.416	0.583	0.754	0.954	1.251
Effective cross-sectional area (including sand coating)** (CSA S806 Annex A)	mm ²	41	81	139	214	309	397	529	670	825
	in ²	0.063	0.126	0.215	0.332	0.479	0.615	0.820	1.039	1.279
Effective diameter	mm ²	7.2	10.2	13.3	16.5	19.8	22.5	26.0	29.2	32.3
	in ²	0.284	0.400	0.523	0.650	0.781	0.885	1.022	1.15	1.271
Nominal cross-sectional area (CSA S807 Table 1)	mm ²	32	71	129	199	284	387	510	645	819
	in ²	0.050	0.110	0.199	0.308	0.440	0.599	0.790	1	1.269

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Guaranteed tensile strength* (ASTM D7205)	MPa	1100	1100	1100	1100	1100	1100	1100	1000	1000
	ksi	159.5	159.5	159.5	159.5	159.5	159.5	159.5	145	145
Minimum tensile modulus (ASTM D7205)	GPa	60								
	ksi	8702.3								
Guaranteed transverse shear capacity (ASTM D7617)	MPa	190								
	ksi	26.1								
Resin		vinylester								
Weight	g/m	78	175	310	442	633	863	1127	1426	1761
	lb/ft	0.052	0.118	0.208	0.297	0.425	0.58	0.757	0.958	1.183
Effective cross-sectional area** (including sand coating) (CSA S806 Annex A)	mm ²	37.2	83.8	145	232.9	326.8	438.2	572.3	724.3	894.2
	in ²	0.058	0.130	0.225	0.361	0.507	0.679	0.887	1.123	1.386
Effective diameter	mm ²	6.9	10.33	13.59	17.22	20.39	23.6	26.99	30.4	33.7
	in ²	0.272	0.407	0.535	0.678	0.803	0.929	1.063	1.197	1.327
Nominal cross-sectional area (CSA S807 Table 1)	mm ²	32	71	129	199	284	387	510	645	819
	in ²	0.05	0.110	0.199	0.308	0.440	0.6	0.790	1	1.269

Available Anchor Heads

		#4 GFRP	#5 GFRP	#6 GFRP
Minimum pull-out strength	kN	80	100	100
	kips	18	22	22

COMPLIES WITH THE FOLLOWING STANDARDS:

- GRADE III CSA S807-10
- GRADE III MTO
- ASTM D7957 D7957-17

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Product Data Sheet - V•ROD BENT BARS 50

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		#3 GFRP	#4 GFRP	#5 GFRP	#6 GFRP	#7 GFRP	#8 GFRP
		bent bar	bent bar	bent bar	bent bar	bent bar	bent bar
Minimum tensile strength (straight portion) (ASTM D7205)	MPa	1022	1019	1001	1028	1005	992
	ksi	148	148	145	149	146	144
Nominal tensile modulus (straight portion) (ASTM D7205)	GPa	50					
	ksi	7246					
Minimum tensile strength (bent portion) (ACI 440.3R 85)	MPa	460	459	450	463	452	446
	ksi	67	66	65	67	66	65

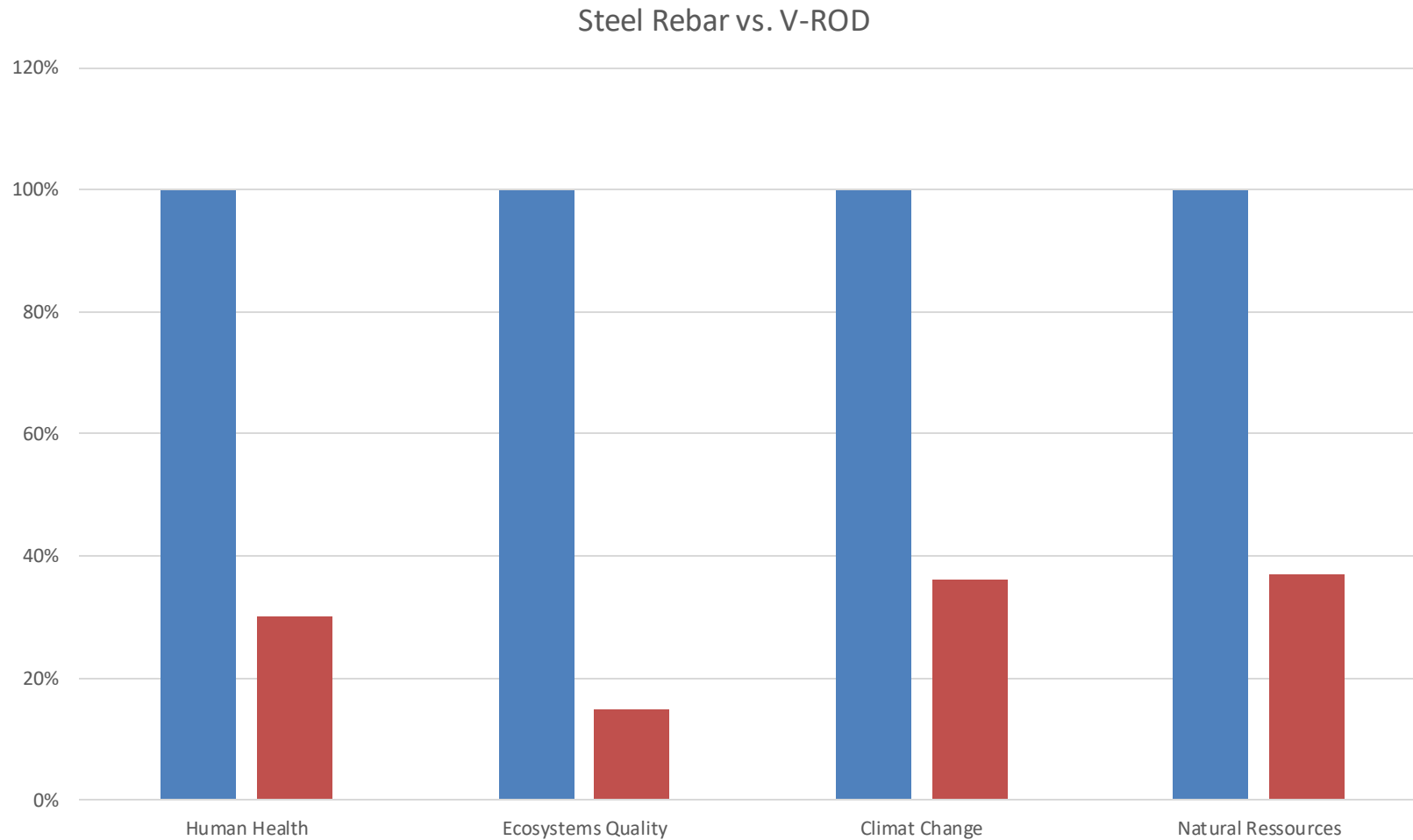
		% weight	77.8	78	77.5	78.9	78.4	76.1
Glass content (ASTM D3171)								
	Weight	g/m	167	292	443	651	887	1136
	lb/ft	0.112	0.196	0.298	0.437	0.596	0.763	
Nominal cross-sectional area	mm ²	71.26	126.68	197.93	285.02	387.95	506.71	
	in ²	0.1105	0.1963	0.3068	0.4418	0.6013	0.7854	
Effective cross-sectional area (CSA S806 Annex A)	mm ²	81.60	145.70	240.29	332.96	439.40	582.72	
	in ²	0.1265	0.2258	0.3725	0.5161	0.6811	0.9032	

COMPLIES WITH THE FOLLOWING STANDARDS:

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- MTO Grade III
- ASTM D7957

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Life Cycle Costing – Carbon Footprint



Life Cycle Costing/LCA

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and Antonio Nanni³

Life-Cycle Cost and Life-Cycle Assessment Analysis at the Design Stage of a Fiber-Reinforced Polymer-Reinforced Concrete Bridge in Florida

Reference

T. Cadenazzi, G. Dotelli, M. Rossini, S. Nolan, and A. Nanni, "Life-Cycle Cost and Life-Cycle Assessment Analysis at the Design Stage of a Fiber-Reinforced Polymer-Reinforced Concrete Bridge in Florida," *Advances in Civil Engineering Materials* 8, no. 2 (2019): 128-151. <https://doi.org/10.1520/ACEM20180113>

ABSTRACT

To support and promote the deployment of innovative technologies in infrastructure, it is fundamental to quantify their implications in terms of both economic and environmental impacts. Glass Fiber-Reinforced Polymer (GFRP) bars and Carbon Fiber-Reinforced Polymer (CFRP) strands are validated corrosion-resistant solutions for Reinforced Concrete (RC) and Prestressed Concrete

Comparing conventional and innovative bridge deck options: A life cycle engineering and costing approach

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ABSTRACT: Engineering design is a complex process facilitated by experience and past practice. Design methods, concrete and surface options, reinforcement materials, and geometry, combine to permit hundreds – if not thousands – of possible bridge deck alternatives. Given such a staggering list of possible options, a traditional, stepwise, deterministic life cycle costing (LCC) approach inevitably bogs down in its search for optimality. Moreover, the results reached fail to inform decision-makers of the risks surrounding each deck alternative and may, therefore, limit confidence in any recommendations emerging through the LCC analysis. The authors of this paper, propose an iterative life cycle engineering and costing (LCE&C) approach to gradually hone a list of potential deck design alternatives. Embracing uncertainty in an explicit way, the results derived and reported herein provide decision-makers with comparable, stochastic life cycle cost estimates.

Crash test of TL-5 Barriers



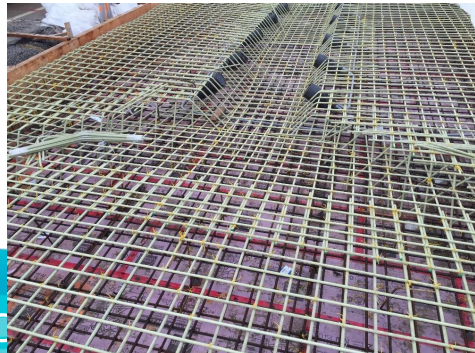
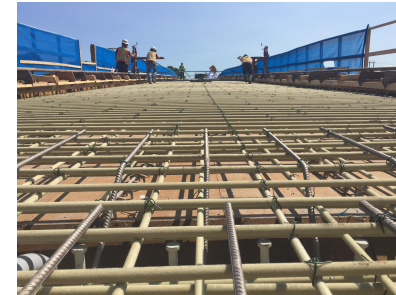
**Crash Test at Texas
TTI with 60Gpa headed
bar now approved for
TL-5 barriers**







Project examples of Cast in place bridge decks



Wotten Bridge 2001 – QC



MTQ - Hwy 410 overpass in Sherbrooke, QC



MTQ - Hwy 410 overpass in Sherbrooke, QC





**Cookshire
Bridge 2003 –
Cookshire, QC**

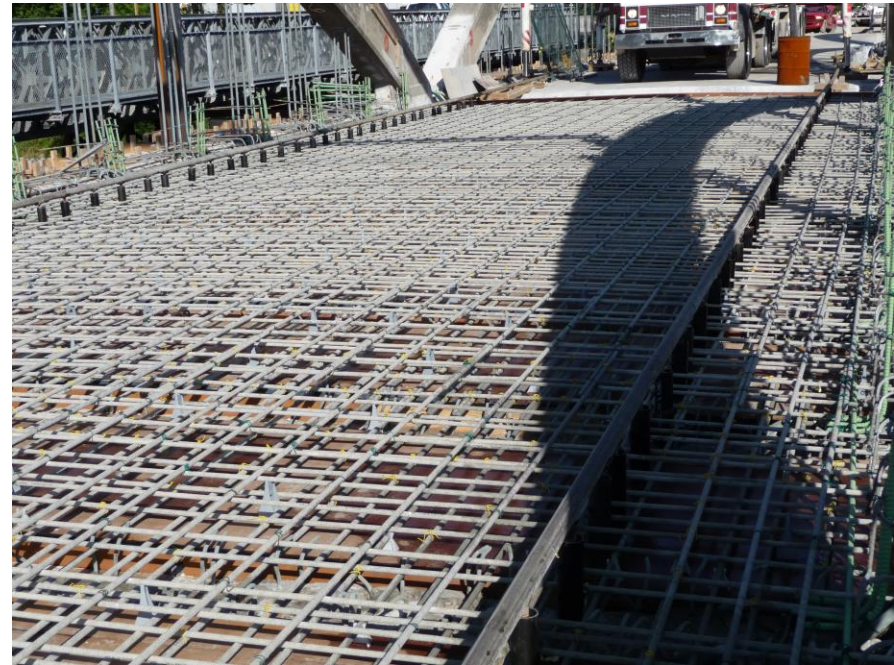


**Val Alain
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Manitoba Floodway bridges

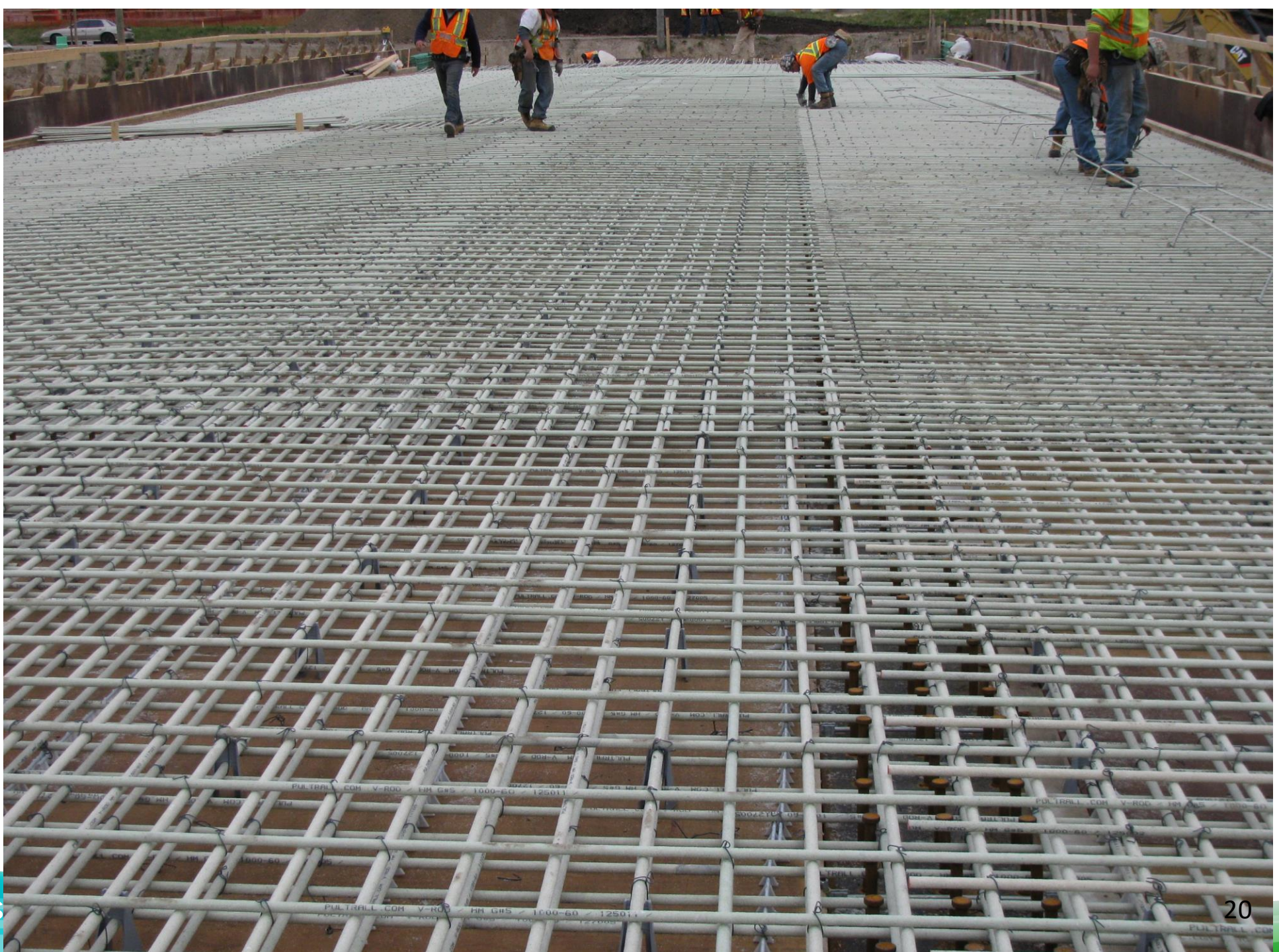




Bridgeport Bridge deck replacement Region of Waterloo, ON



**Dorchester Bridge,
Kitchener, ON**



**Skagit River
Bridge – BC MOT**



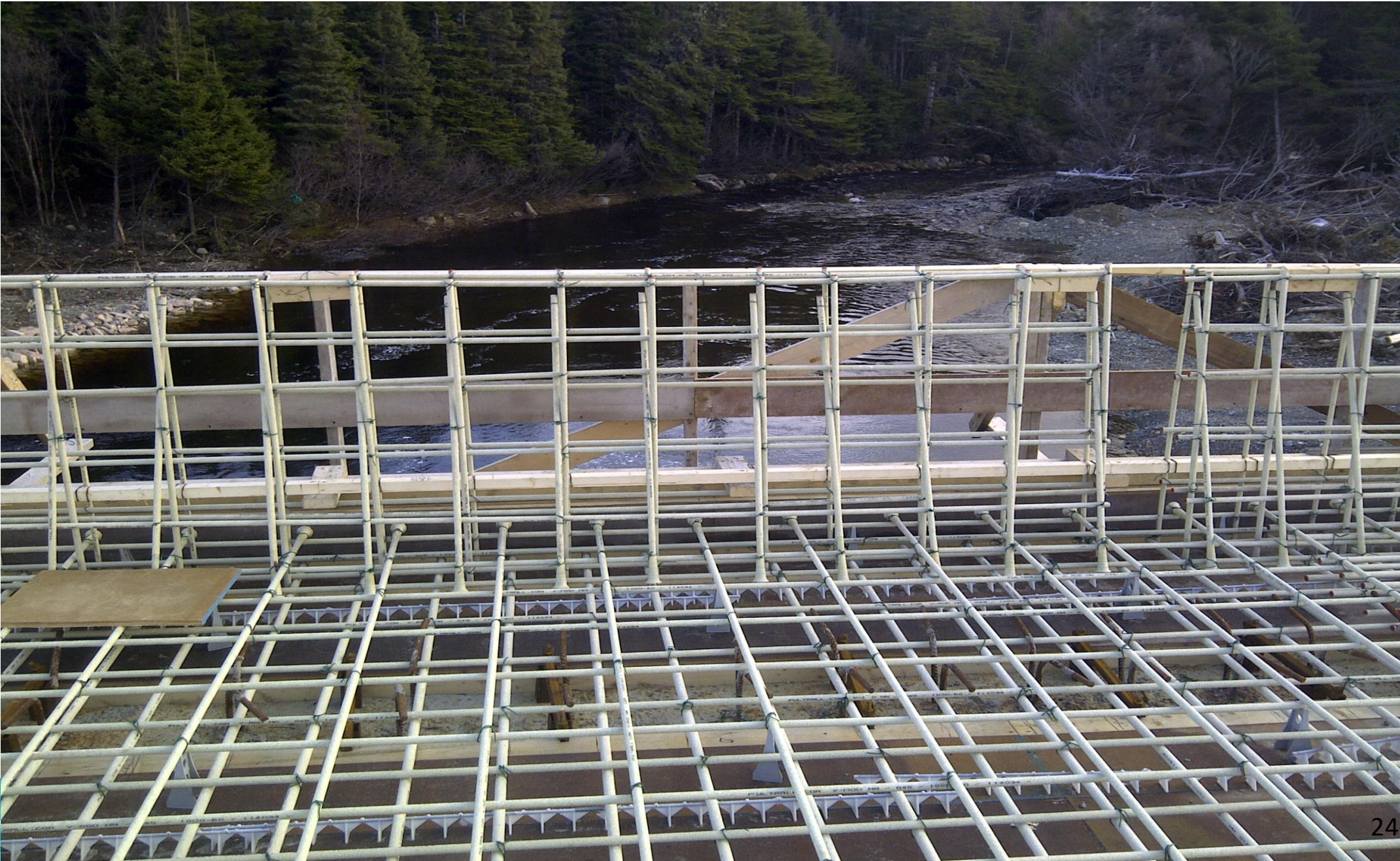


**MTO 2009-2020 (Hwy 401 in Toronto)
multiple cast in place
deck structures**

**MTO 2009-2020 (Hwy
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Rattle Brook Bridge - N'fld DOT - 2011



Rattle Brook Bridge N'fld - 2011



Montague Bridge, PEI, 2006

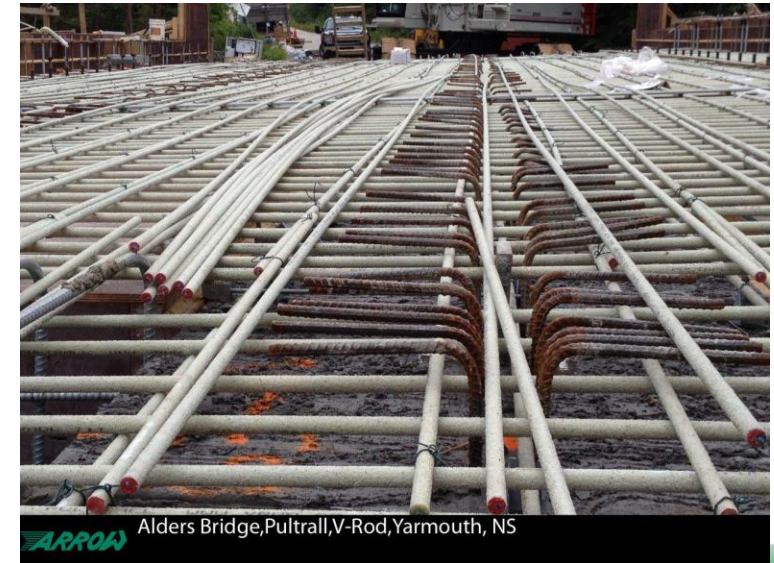


Alders Bridge, Pultrall, V-Rod, Yarmouth, NS

Victoria Bridge, PEI, 2009

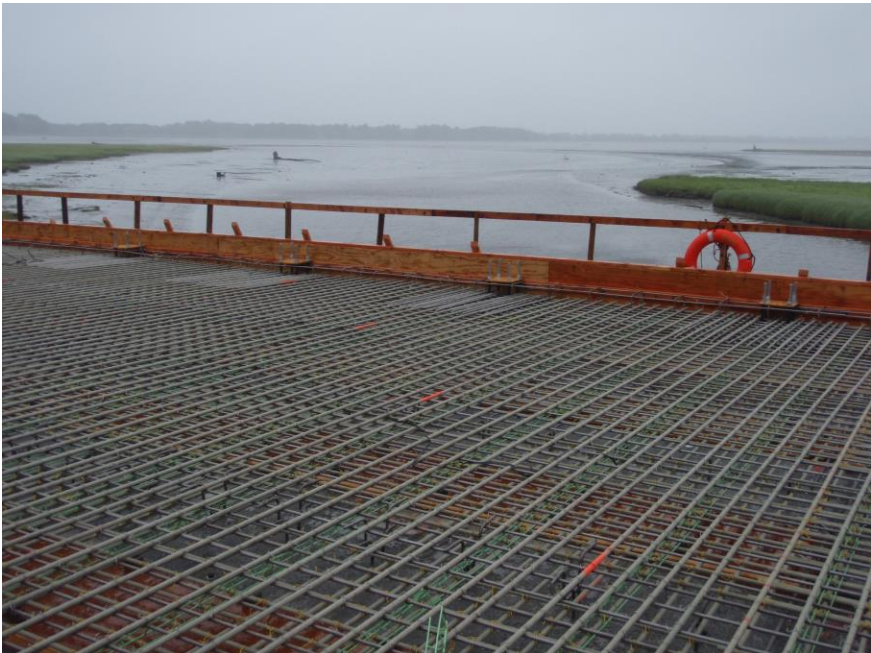


Alders Bridge, NS, 2015



Alders Bridge, Pultrall, V-Rod, Yarmouth, NS

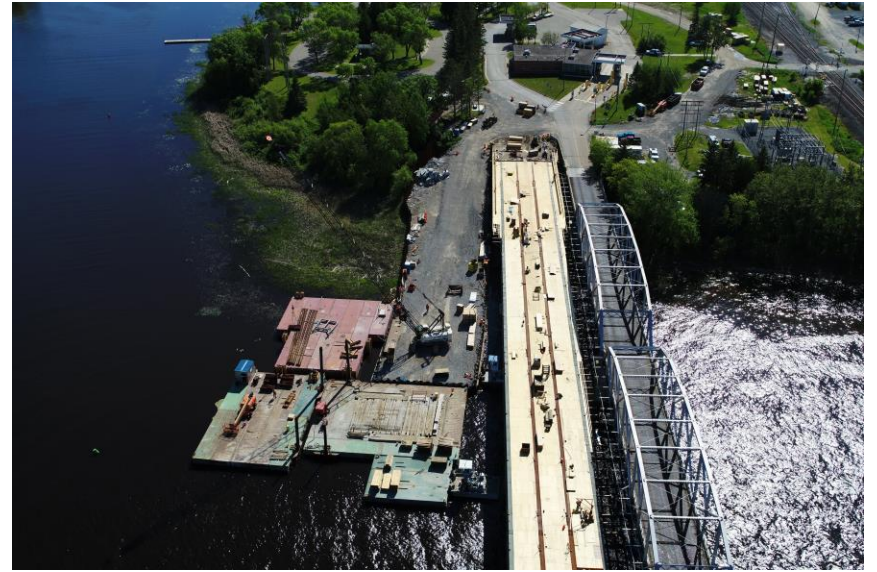
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Vermont**

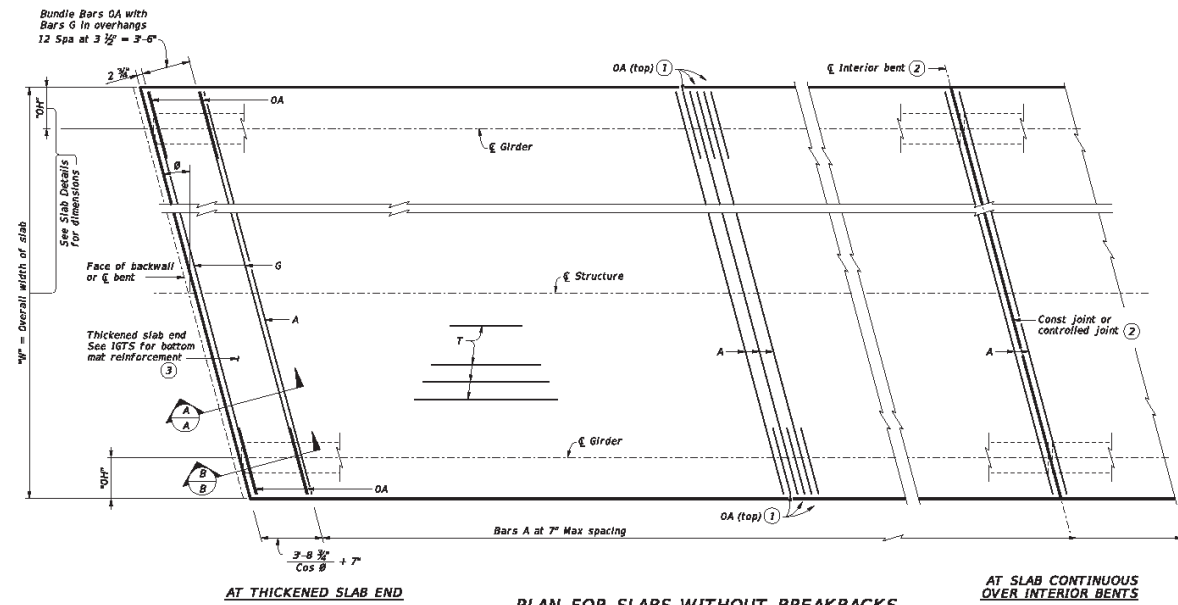


**Baudette
Bridge,
MNDOT**



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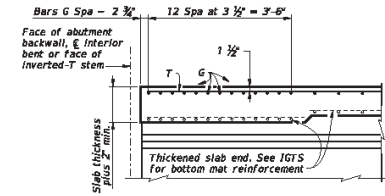


AT THICKENED SLAB END

PLAN FOR SLABS WITHOUT BREAKBACKS

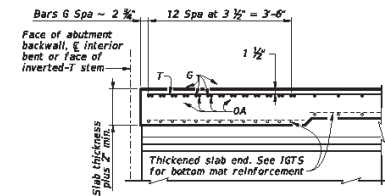
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AT SLAB CONTINUOUS OVER INTERIOR BENTS



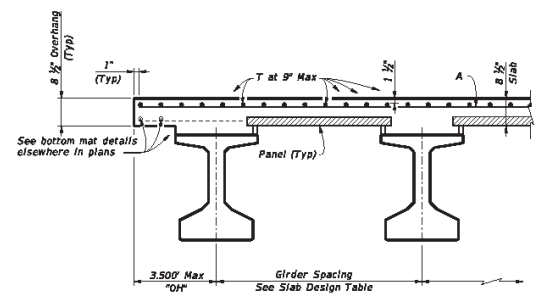
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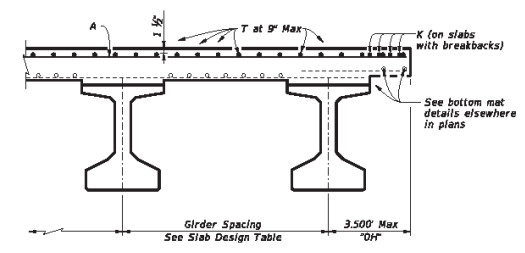


SECTION B-B

Showing Thickened Slab End with PCP Option 1. Option 2 similar.



PARTIAL TYPICAL TRANSVERSE SECTION



SECTION OF THICKENED SLAB END

Showing PCP Option 1. Option 2 similar.

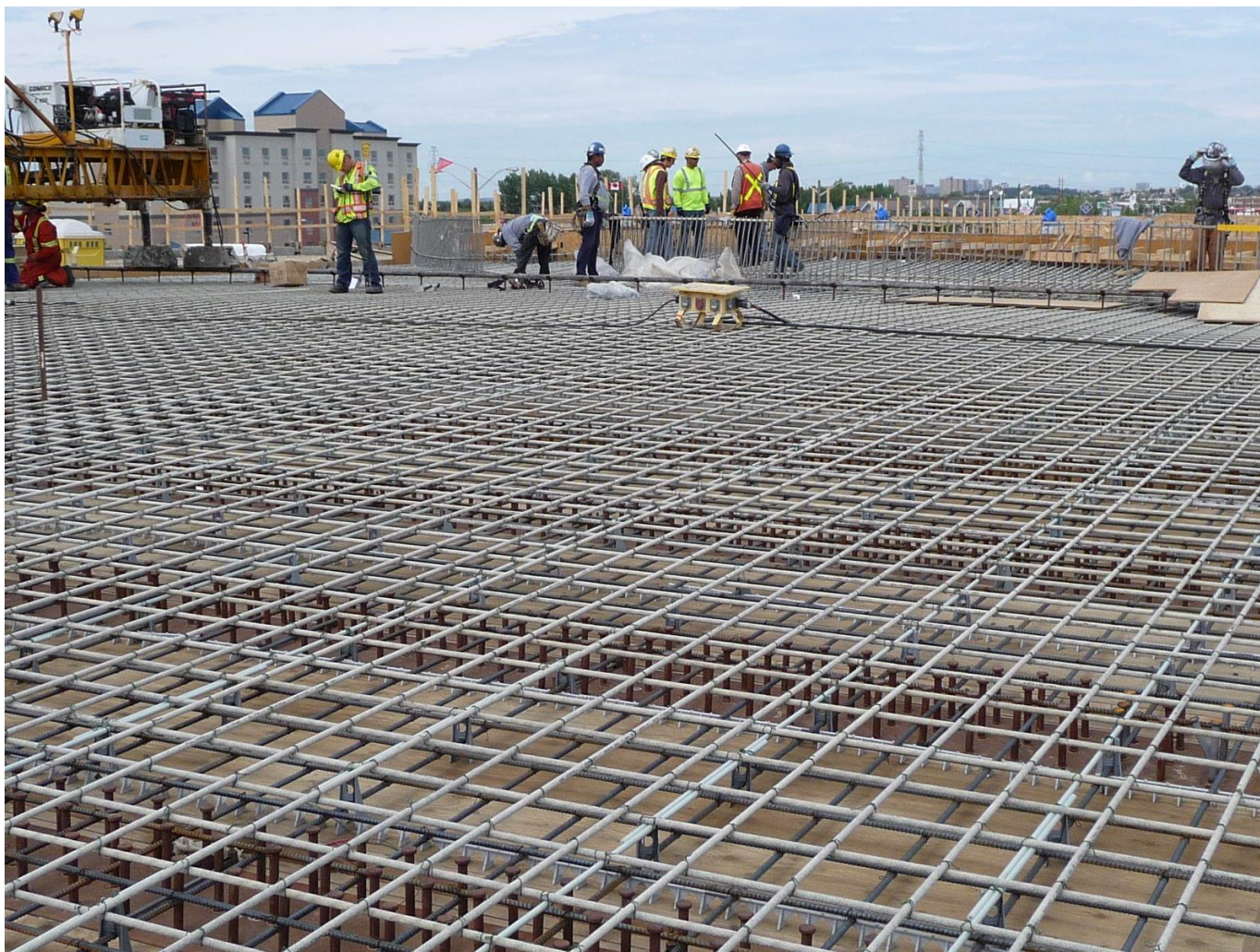
- ① Place Bars OA midway between Bars A at overhang.
- ② Bars are continuous through joint.
- ③ Thickened slab end dimensioned perpendicular to face of bkwl, centerline interior bent or face of inverted-T stem.

HL93 LOADING SHEET 1 OF 2

Texas Department of Transportation Bridge Division Standard

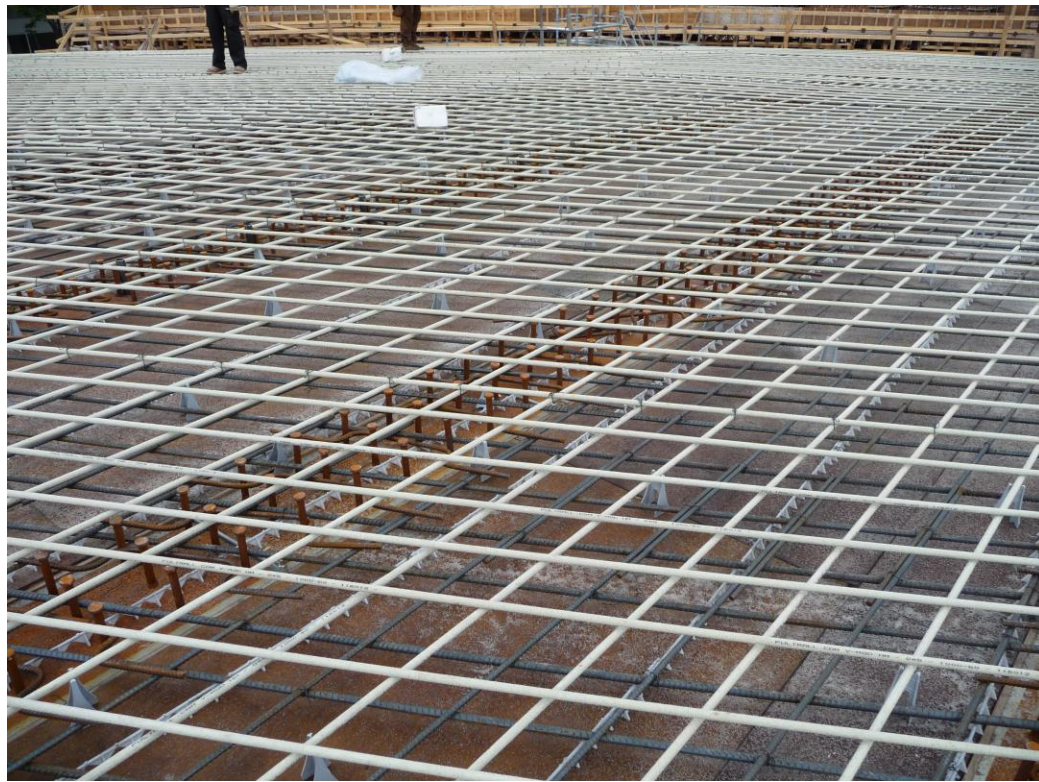
GFRP SLAB TOP MAT REINFORCEMENT
PRESTRESSED CONC I-GIRDER SPANS
IGFRP

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**23rd Ave/Gateway Blvd –
Edmonton, AB
Deck bar ready for casting**





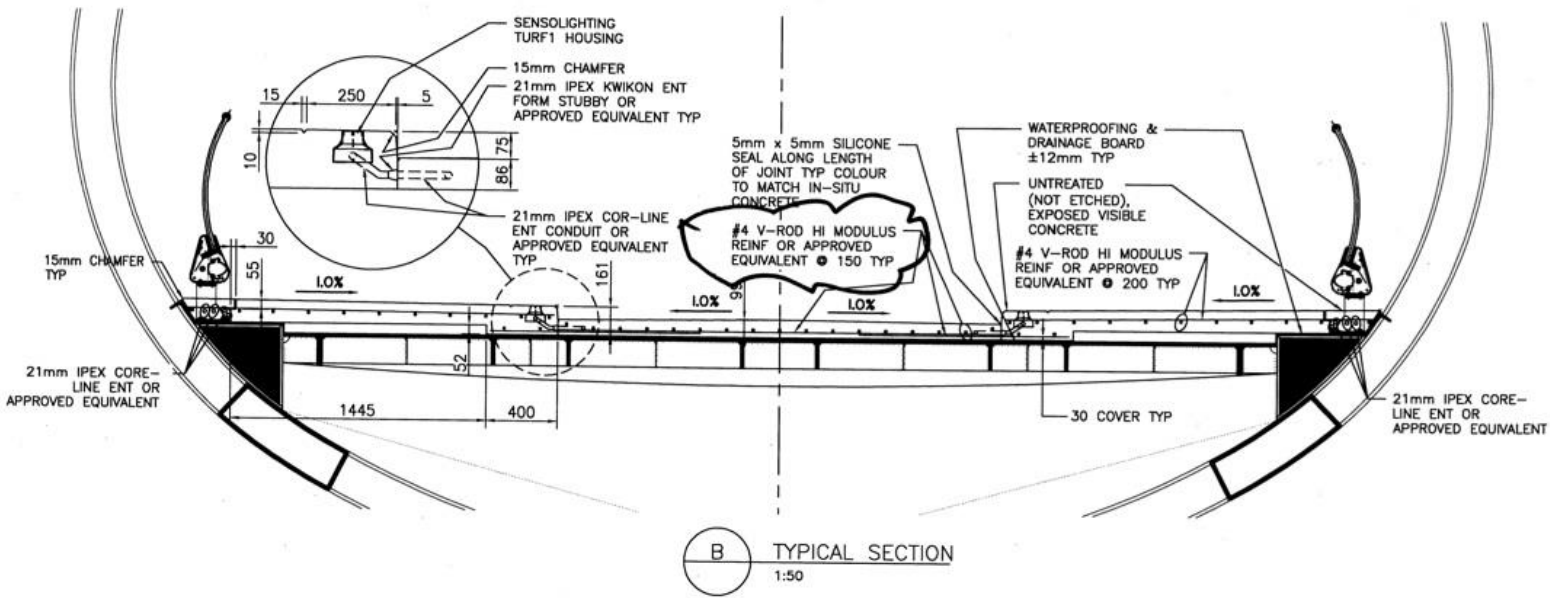
**MTO 2010-4004
rapid replacement**



East Hamilton pedestrian bridge



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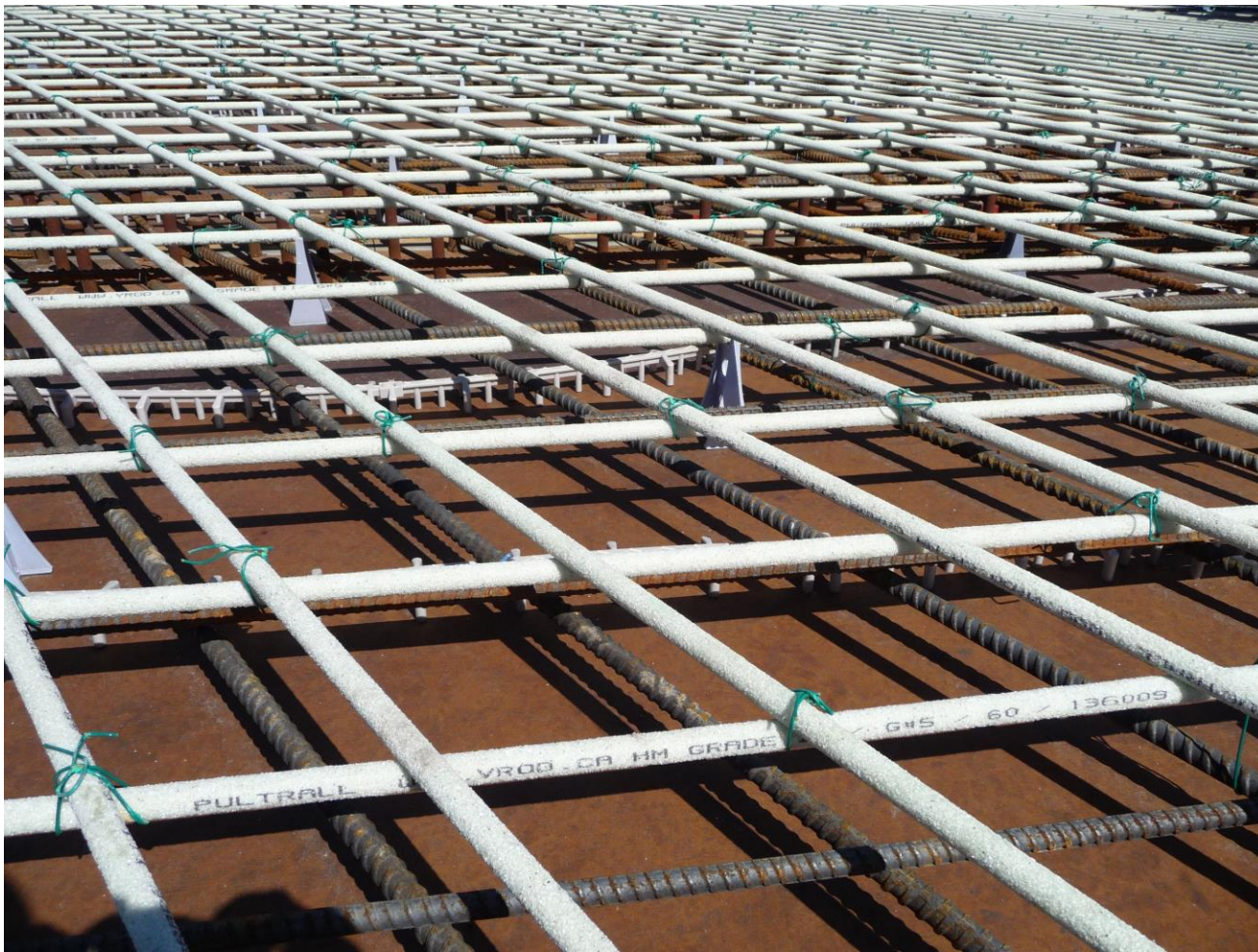


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Peace Bridge – City of Calgary

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 Figure No.
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 PRE-CAST DECK PANEL SECTIONS



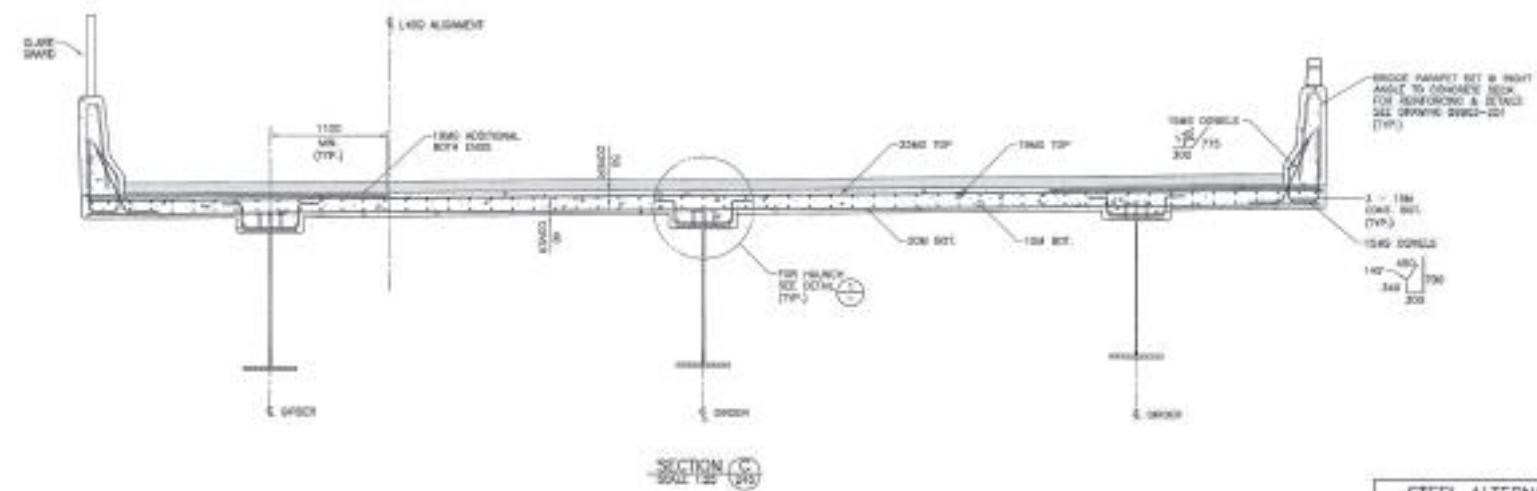
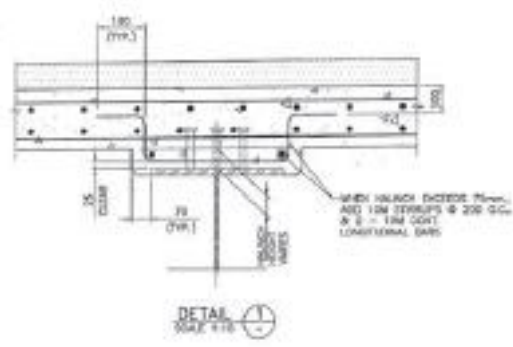
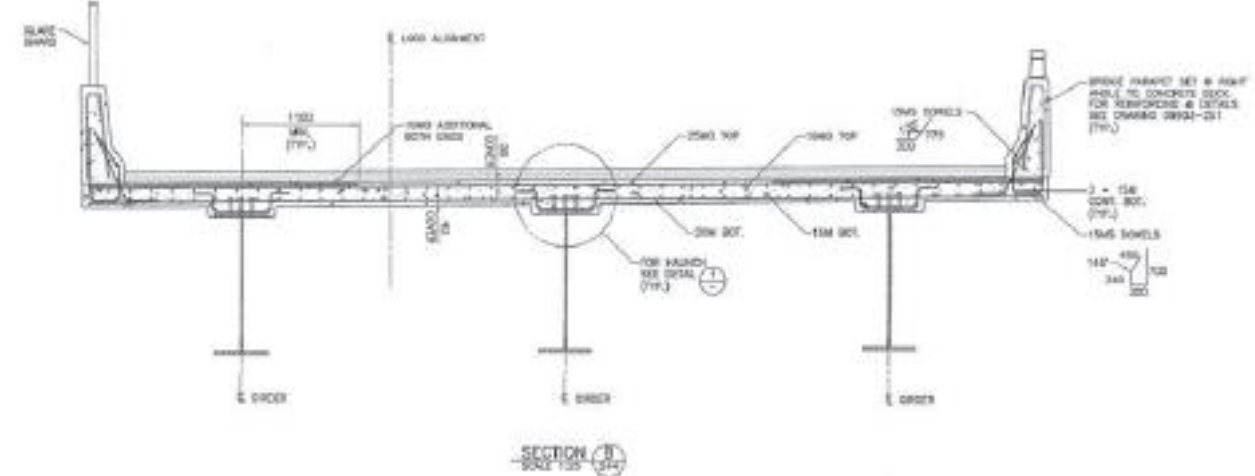
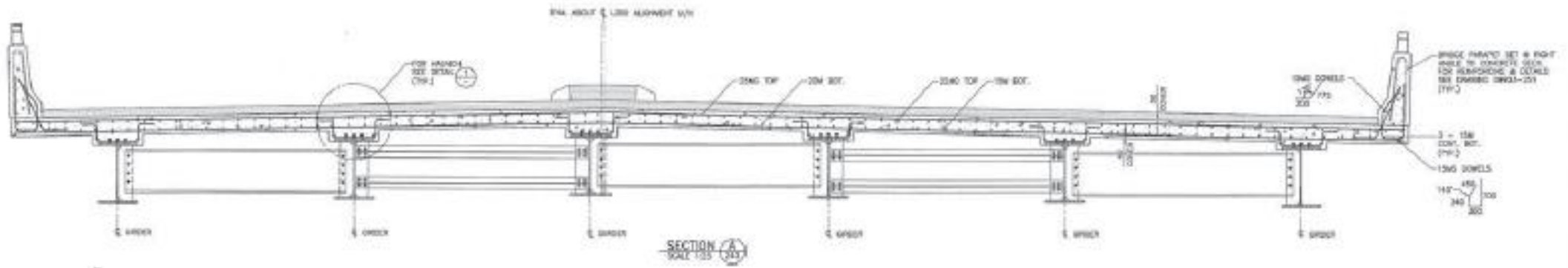


**MTO 2012-4001 (Carling
Av/Kirkwood Av overpass
Rapidlifts, Hwy 417 in Ottawa, ON**



**MTO 2009-4726
(Beaver Creek)**





- NOTES:**
- FOR GENERAL NOTES SEE DRAWING 09903-201.
 - FOR DECK DETAILS SEE DRAWING 09903-202.

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REVISIONS

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& Infrastructure
South Coast Region

LOWER MARLAND DISTRICT
HIGHWAY 91
72 AVENUE UNDERPASS No. 09903
DECK REINFORCING SECTIONS - SHEET 1

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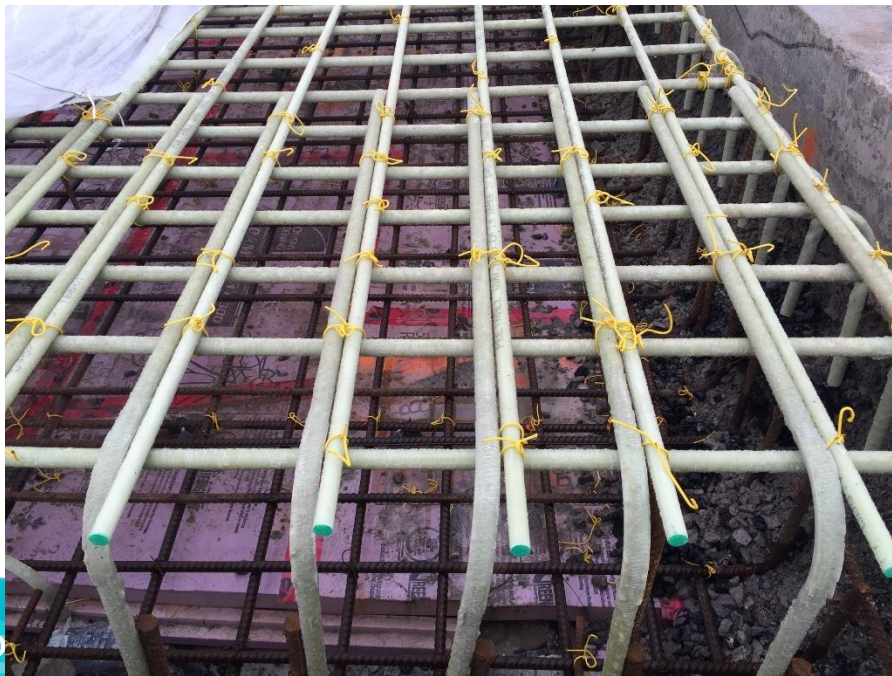
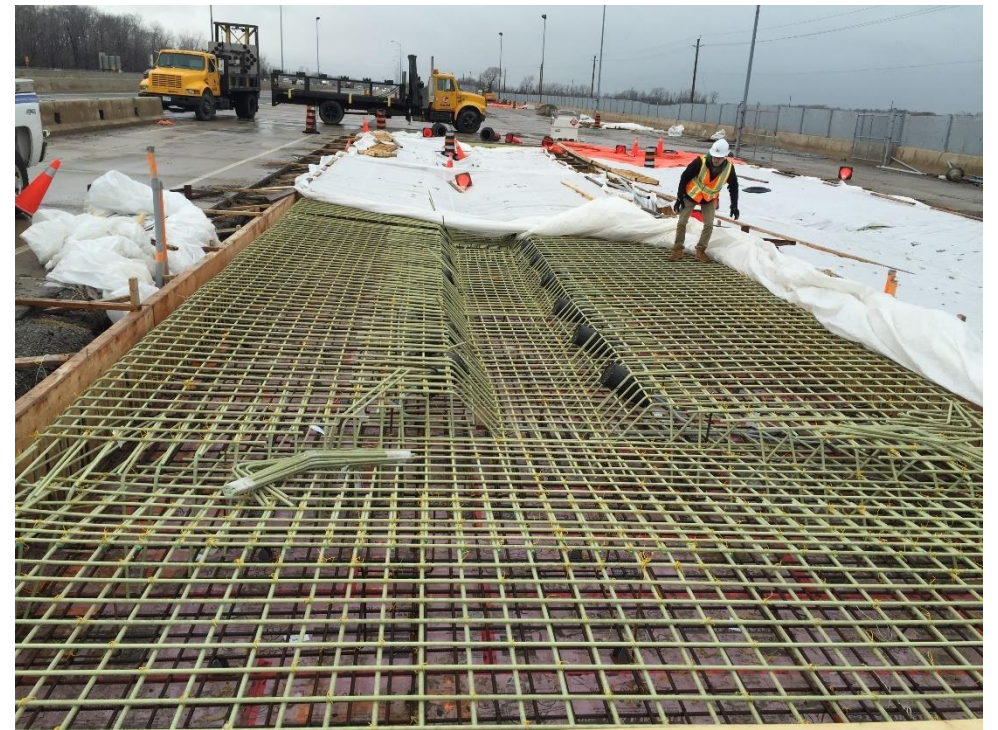
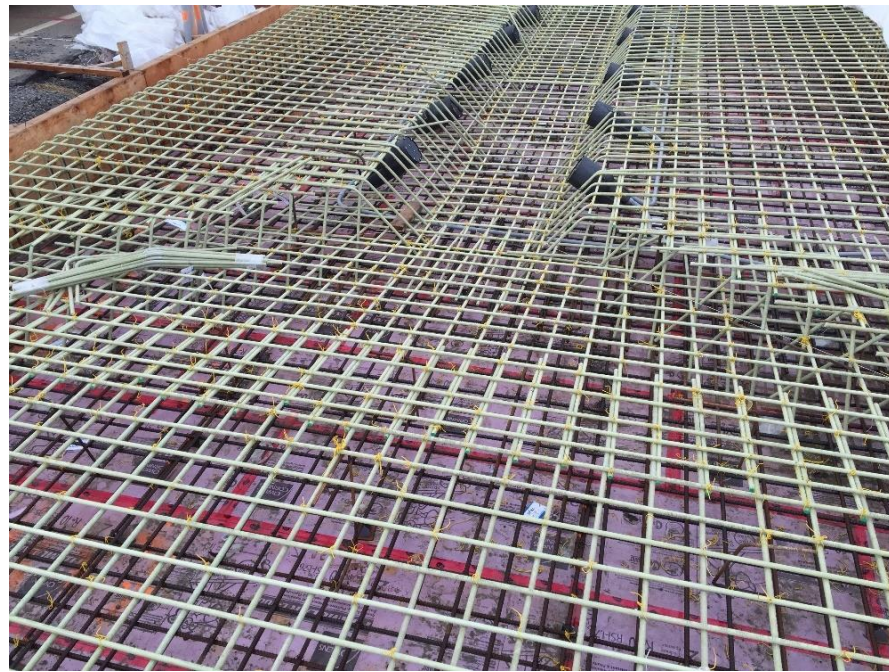
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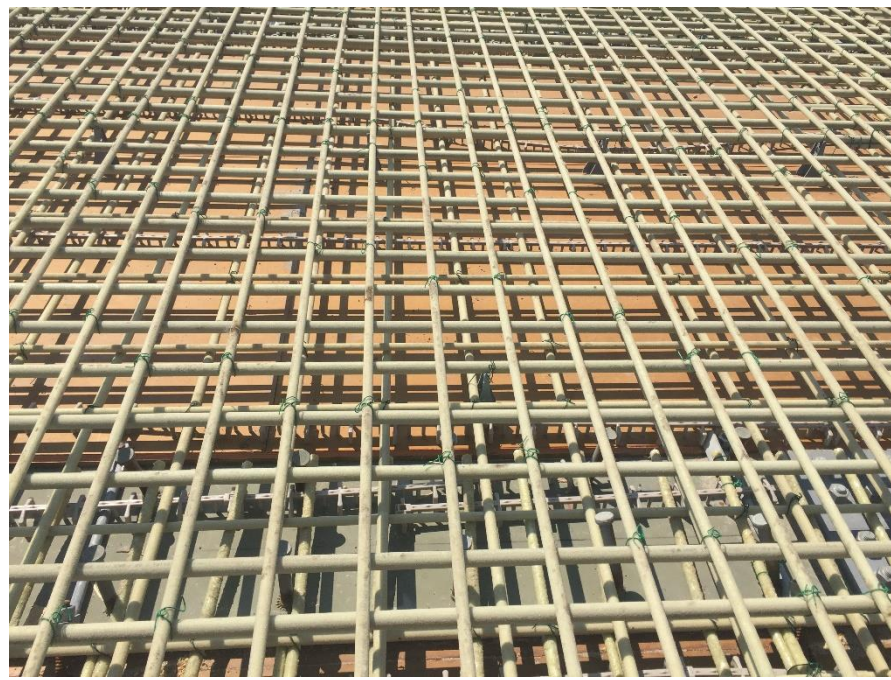


Kipling Ave Bridge
City of Toronto
Designer - WSP



**Non-conductivity for
cameras and sensors
– tolling areas**





**Rideau River Crossing
City of Ottawa
Designer – WSP
Contractor - Pomerleau**





**O'Reilly's Bridge,
Niagara Region, ON**





MTO 2009-5156



Rehabilitation





**Addington Av,
City of Toronto**



**Bridgeport Bridge,
Kitchener, ON**







**Bakers Haulover
bridge - Florida**



**Pineda Causeway -
Florida**



MTO 2010-2054 (Warden Ave over Hwy 401 in Toronto - bar on site and placed in deck





**MTO 2010-2054 (Warden Ave)
over Hwy 401 in Toronto -
deck bar already poured**

Project Applications – Precast Decks





**Sunshine Creek- 2007,
MTO NW Region**
Pre-cast box girders



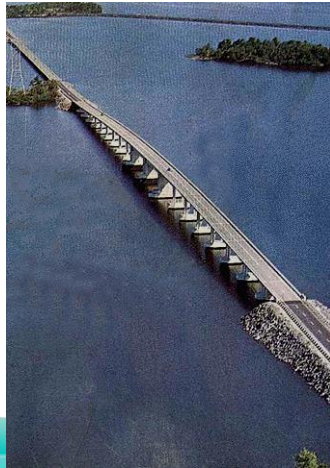
**Rainy Lake - 2006,
MTO NW Region**
Pre-cast panels decks





Noden Causeway, MTO NW Region

Pre-cast panels in place



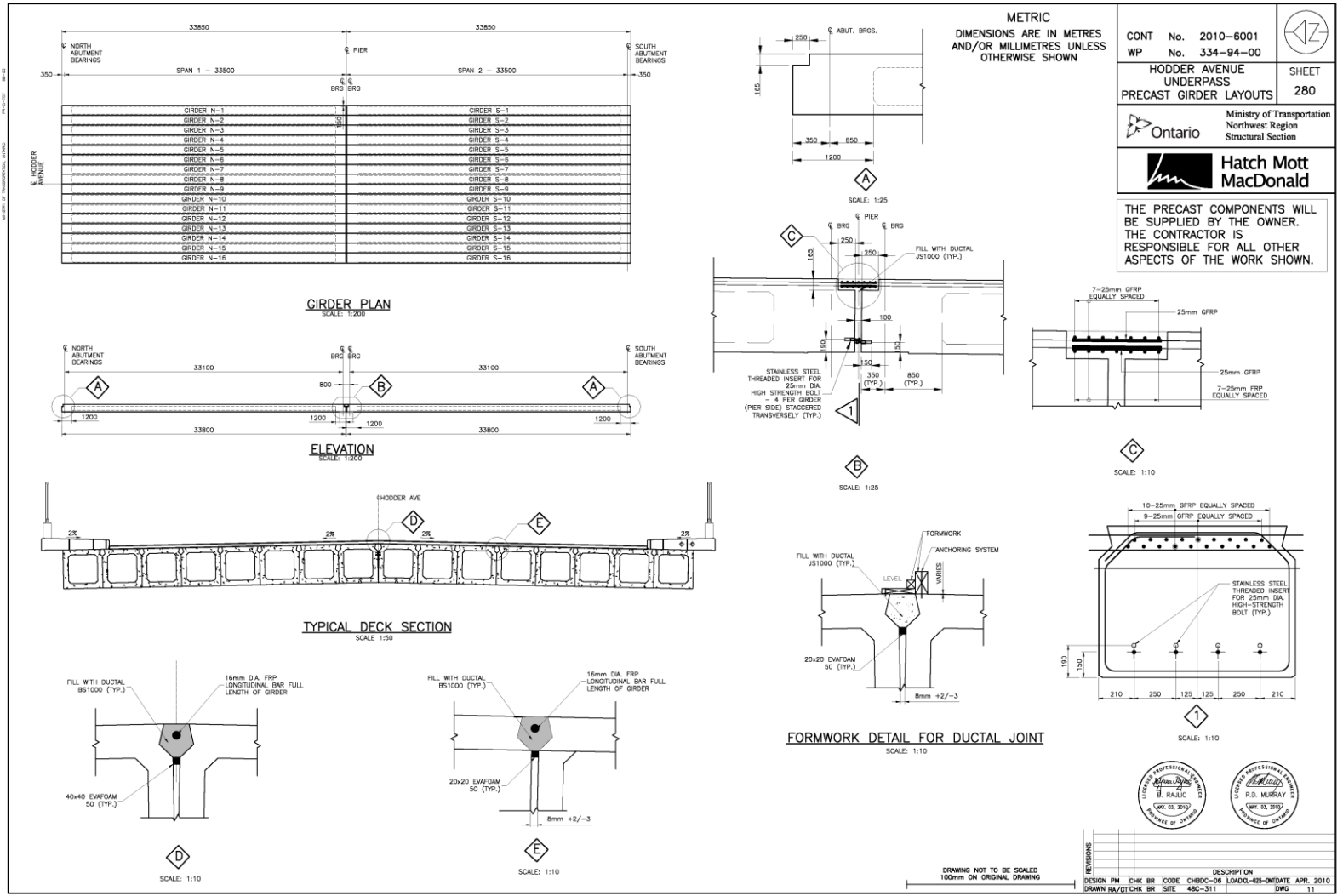




MTO 2010-6043 McKenzie River Bridge







**Precast decks placed
on Hodder Ave Bridge
(MTO 2010-6001)**





Nipigon Cable Stayed Bridge

Owner – ON Ministry of Transportation

Designer – MMM/WSP/Buckland & Taylor

Contractor – BOT/Ferrovial

GFRP in all precast deck panels







**Example of typical precast box girders, approach slabs and prestressed curbs
MTO 2014-6032**



Chukuni River– MTO NW



Steel River– MTO NW









Hall's River project Florida DOT







Flagler Beach
Owner – Florida DOT
Designer – Mott MacDonald
Contractor – Malcolm
Drilling
Supplied 19 flatbeds loads
of material for secant pile
cages

Conclusions

- As the GFRP technology continues to advance and prove its performance and durability in the field, owners and asset managers should be more comfortable in utilizing this concrete reinforcing
- As codes and specifications also continue to evolve, the tools and design considerations for GFRP allow engineers to be more confident in designing GFRP reinforced structures and expand applications

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