



DFW Connector Project
TexITE Greater Dallas Section

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DFW Connector Project 2009 - Present

➤ ORIGINAL SCOPE

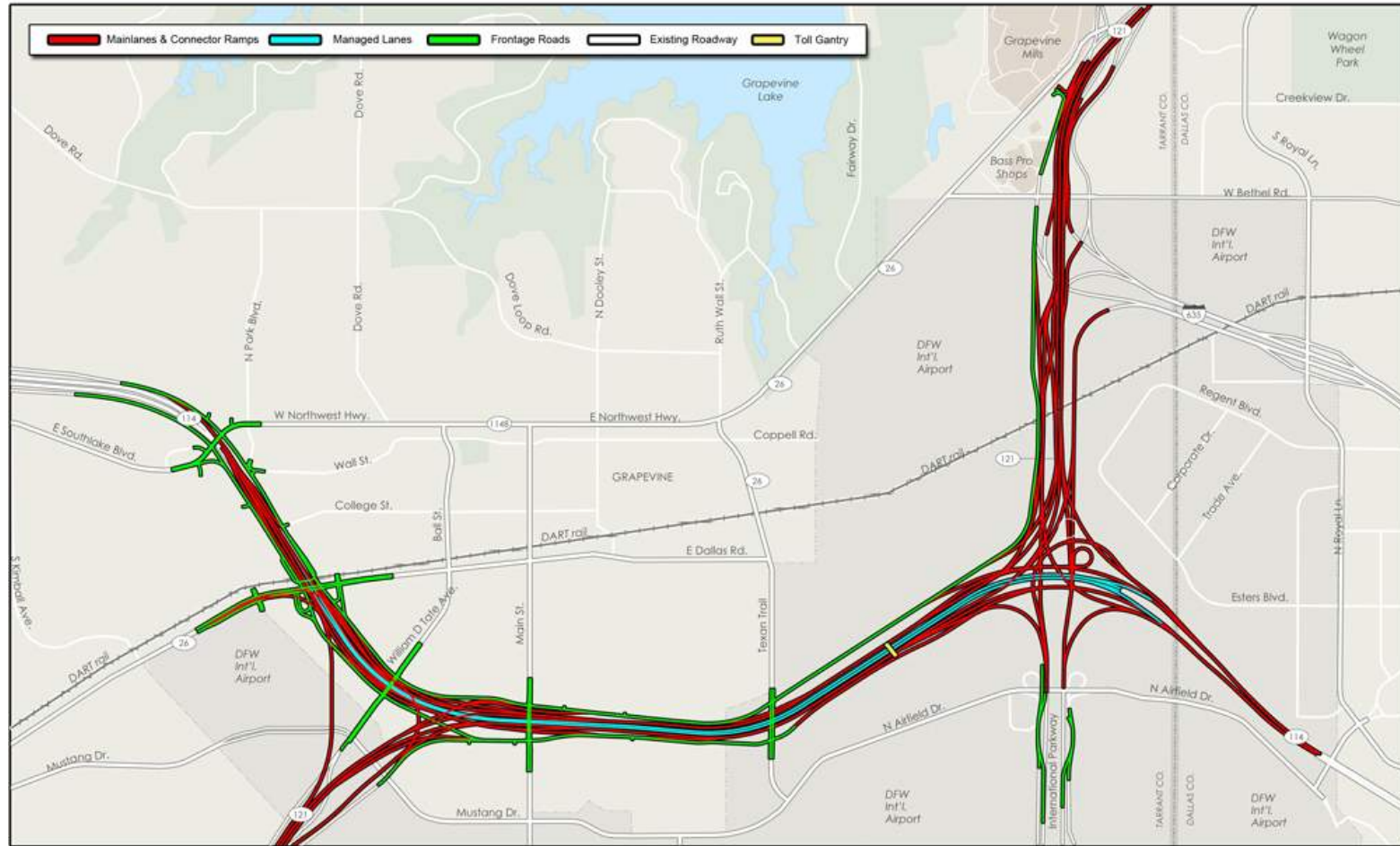
First Design-Build Project in N. Texas

\$1.02 Billion Total Project Cost

8.4 Mile Design And Reconstruction Of Existing Facilities And Addition Of Managed Lanes

Improved Mobility Between SH 121 And SH 114

Main Project Completed In March 2014



NOTE: Project area is not drawn to scale in order to emphasize details.

TxDOT Graphic



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➤ **FM 2499**

**\$90 Million Total
Project Cost**

**Depressed FM 2499
Main Lanes To Bypass
Two Intersections**

**New Frontage Roads At
Existing Grade To
Connect Cross Streets**

**Construction
Completed In July 2016**



➤ FM 2499



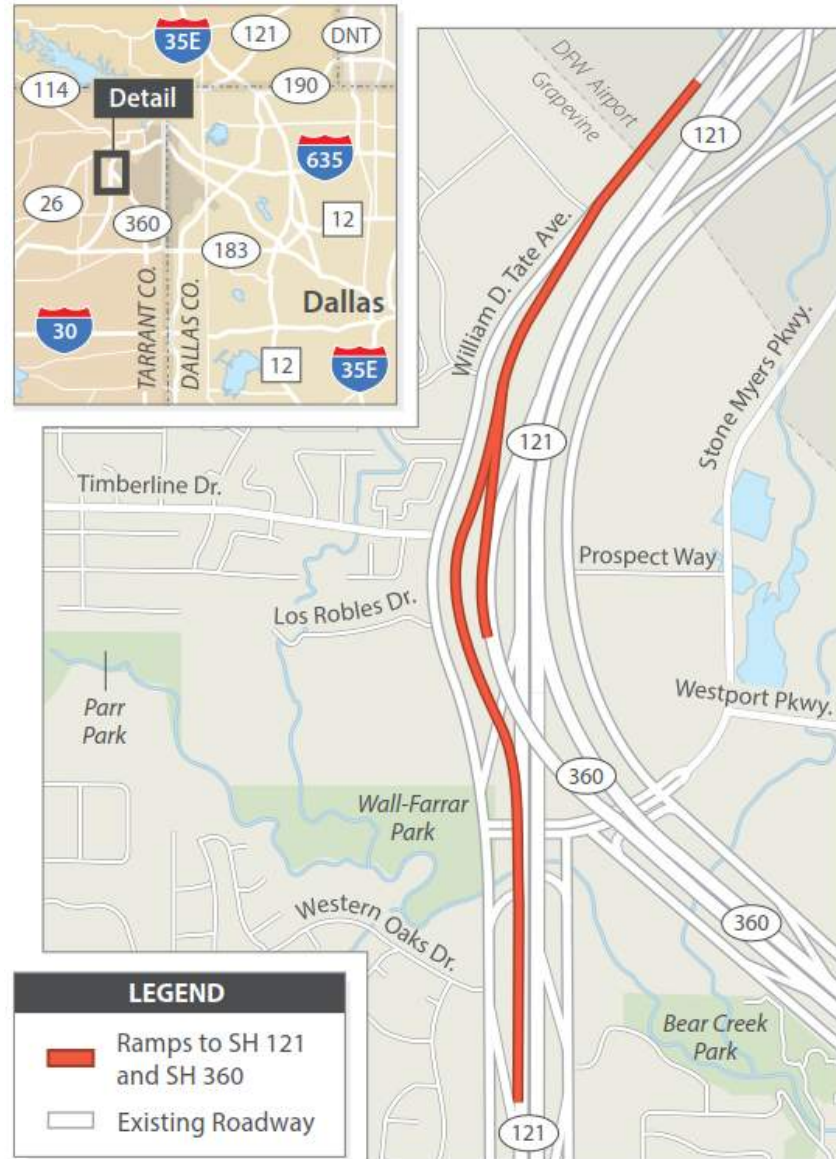
➤ **SH 121/360 RAMPS**

\$17 Million Project Cost

**Ramp Connecting
William D Tate Directly
To SH 121 And SH 360**

**Allows Traffic To Bypass
Stone Myers**

**Construction Completed
In November 2015**



➤ **SH 121/360 INTERCHANGE**

\$61 Million Project Cost

**Minimizes Weaving And
Congestion On Both SH 121 And
SH 360**

**Added New CD From
SH 121/360 To WB 114**

**Reconfigured EB SH 114 And
SB SH 121 Ramps To SH 360**

**Construction Completed In
June 2018**



➤ SH 121/360 INTERCHANGE



➤ **IH 635/SH 121 INTERCHANGE
(Connect 4)**

\$370 Million Project Cost

**3 Mile Reconstruction And
Widening Of SH 121 From IH 635
Interchange To FM 2499**

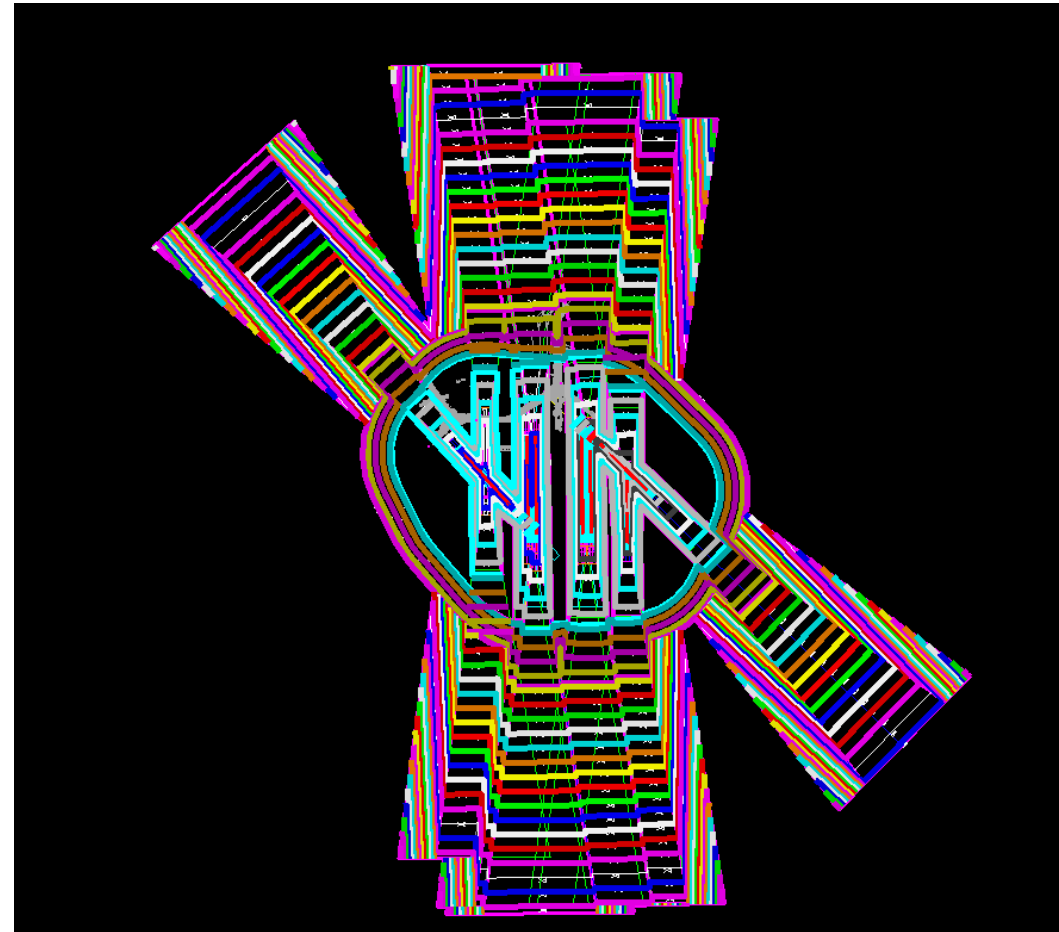
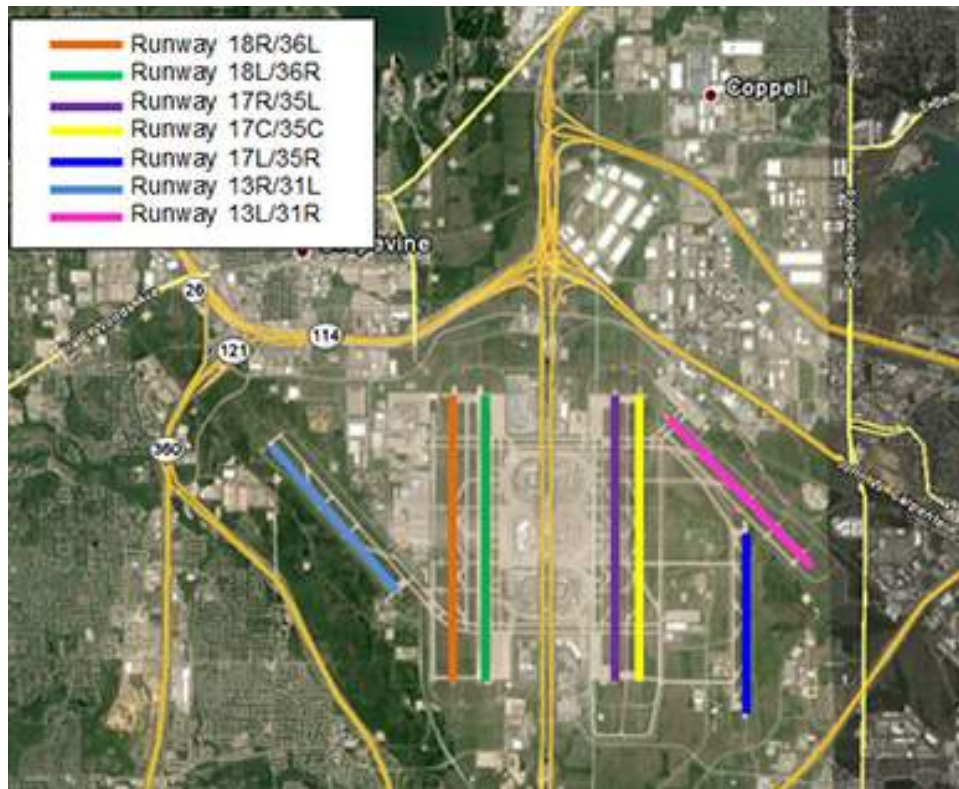
**Estimated Substantial
Completion In 2022**



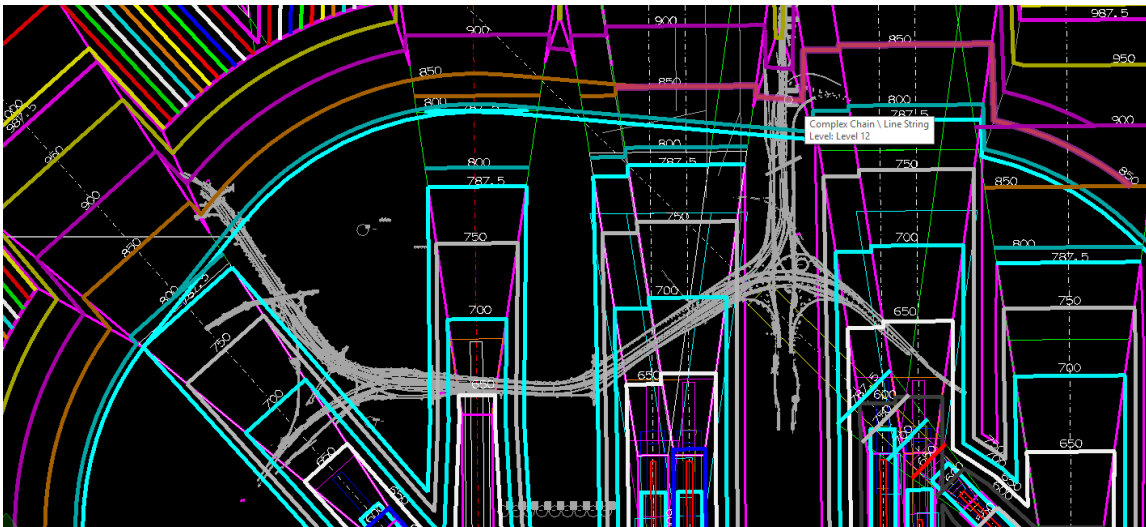
➤ **IH 635/SH 121 INTERCHANGE
(Connect 4)**



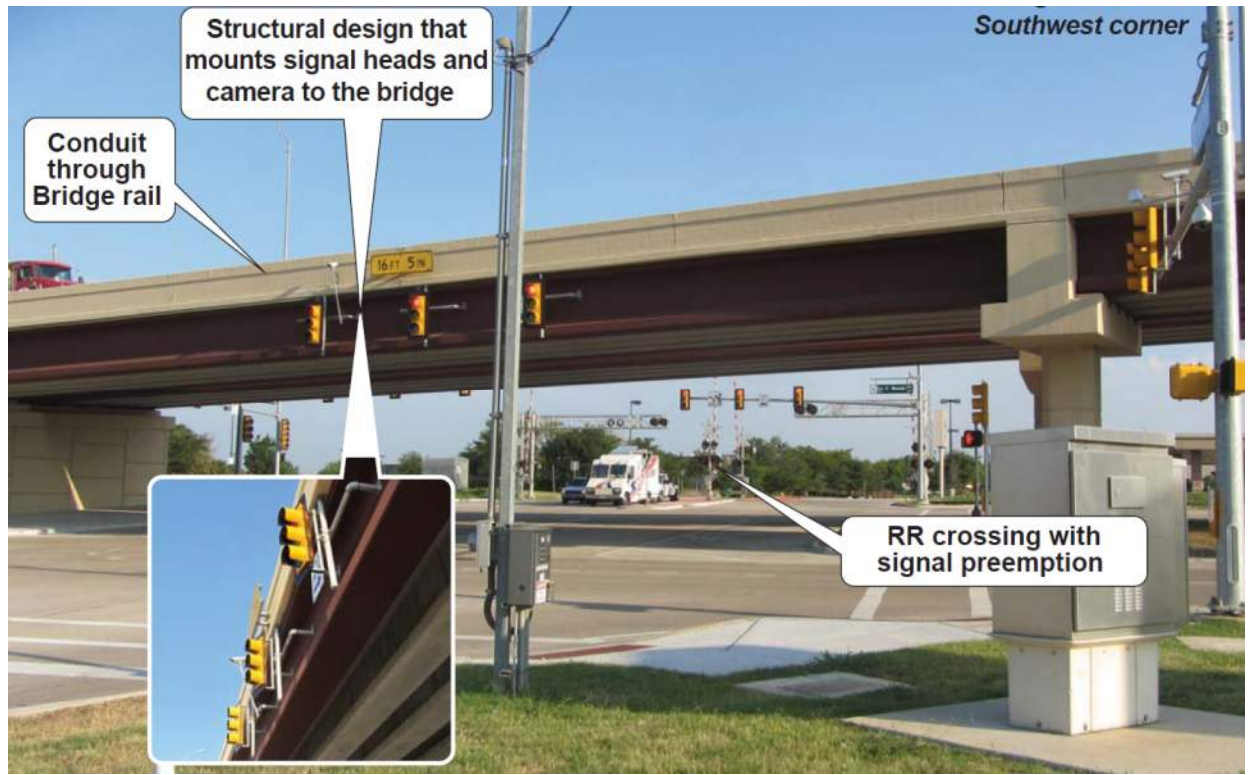
➤ DFW AIRPORT FLIGHT PATH



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➤ PERMANENT TRAFFIC SIGNALS



➤ TEMPORARY TRAFFIC SIGNALS



➤ ITS / MANAGEMENT



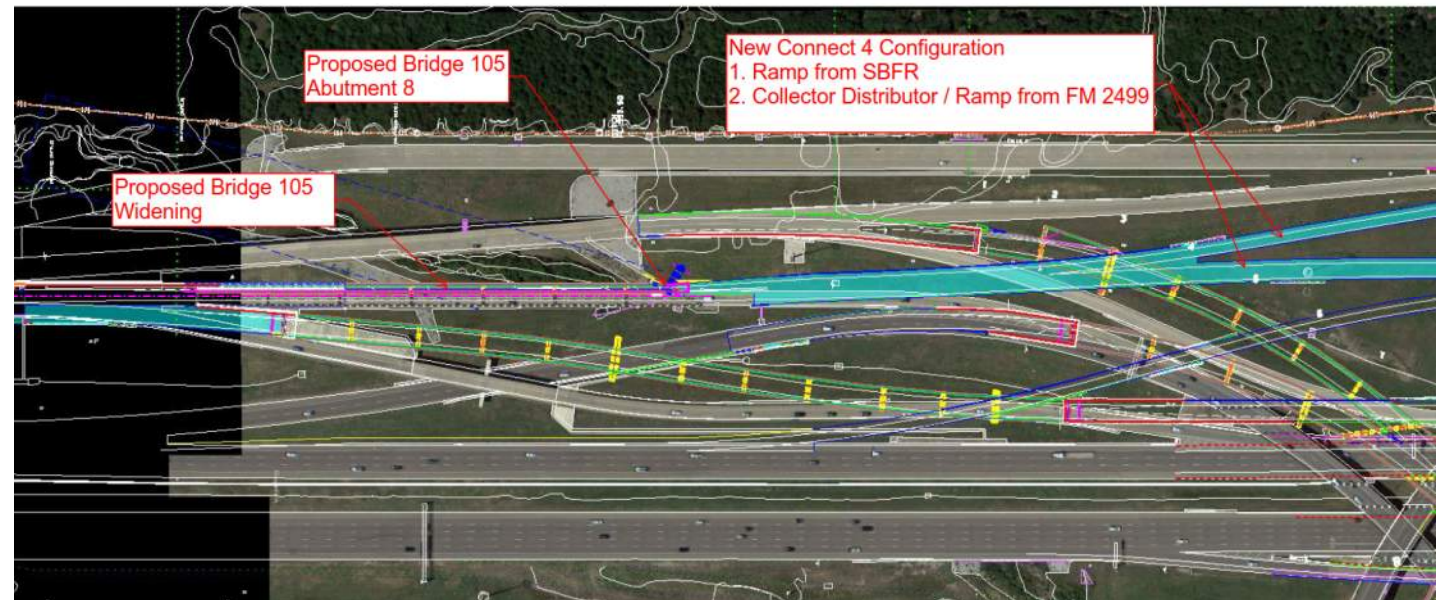
➤ **BRIDGE 105 WIDENING**

**Existing WB 635 To SB
International Pkwy**

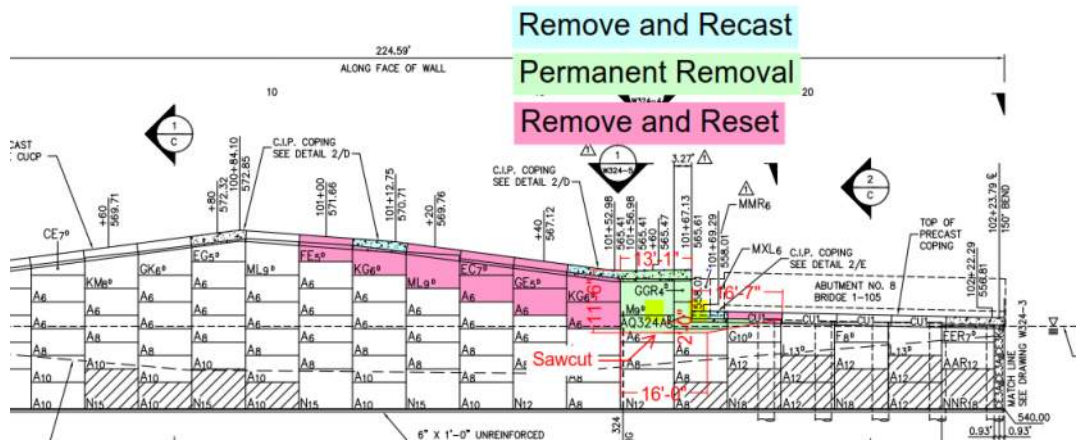
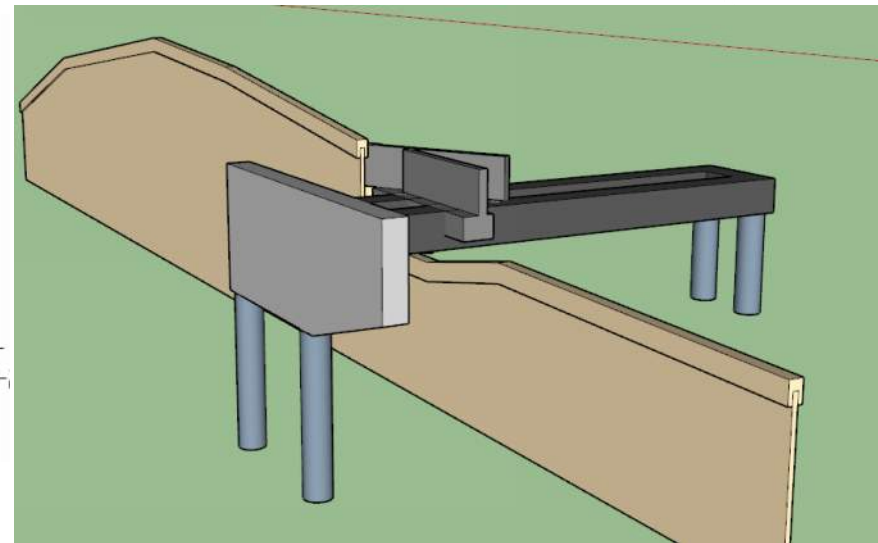
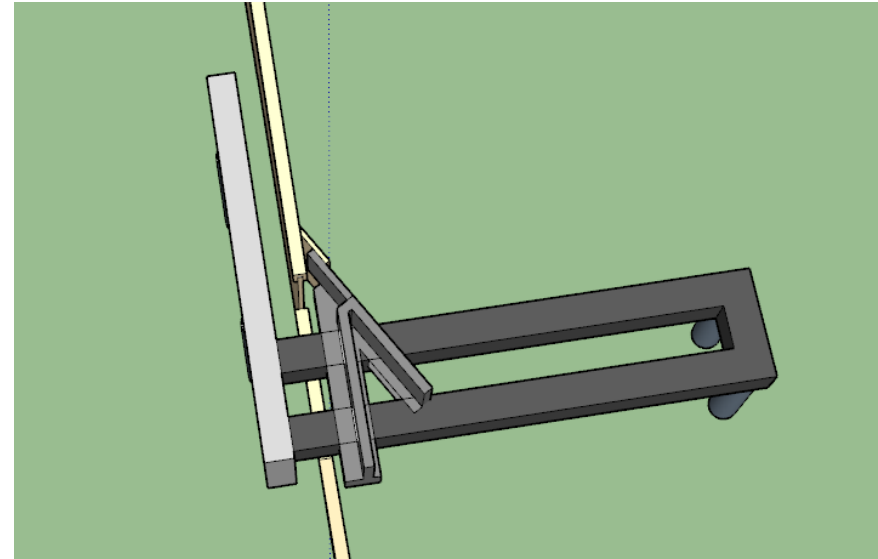
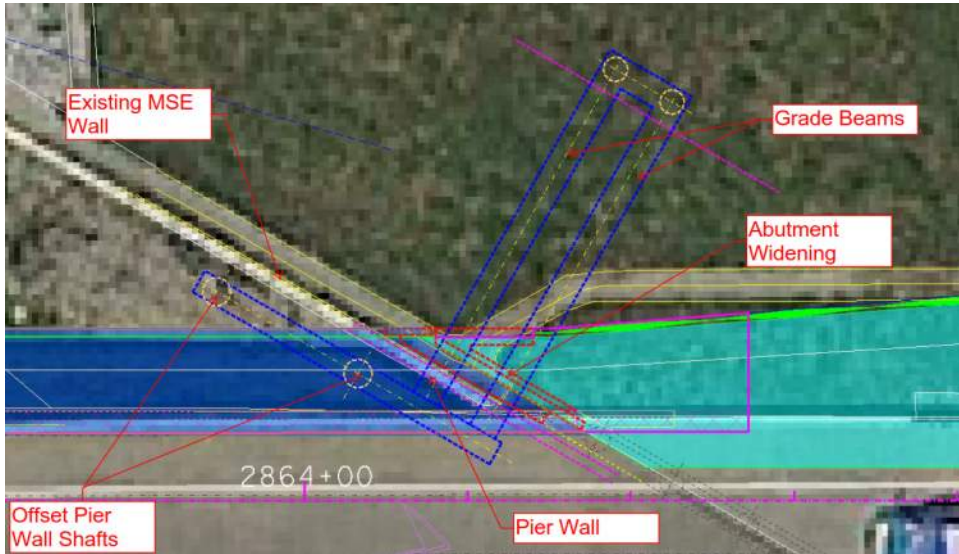


**Proposed CD From
FM 2499 And SBFR To
International Pkwy**

**Existing Bridge Widened
To Carry 2 Lanes**



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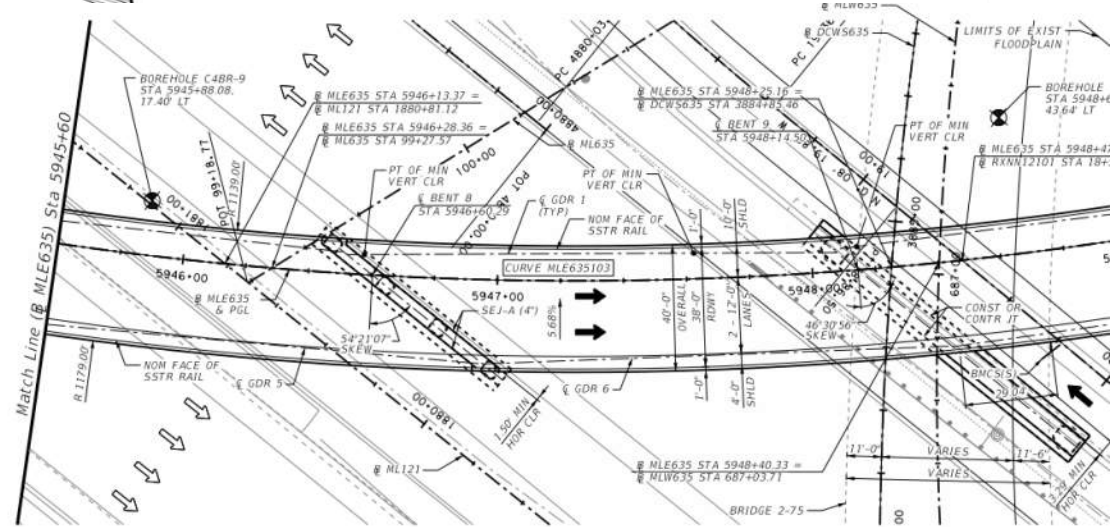
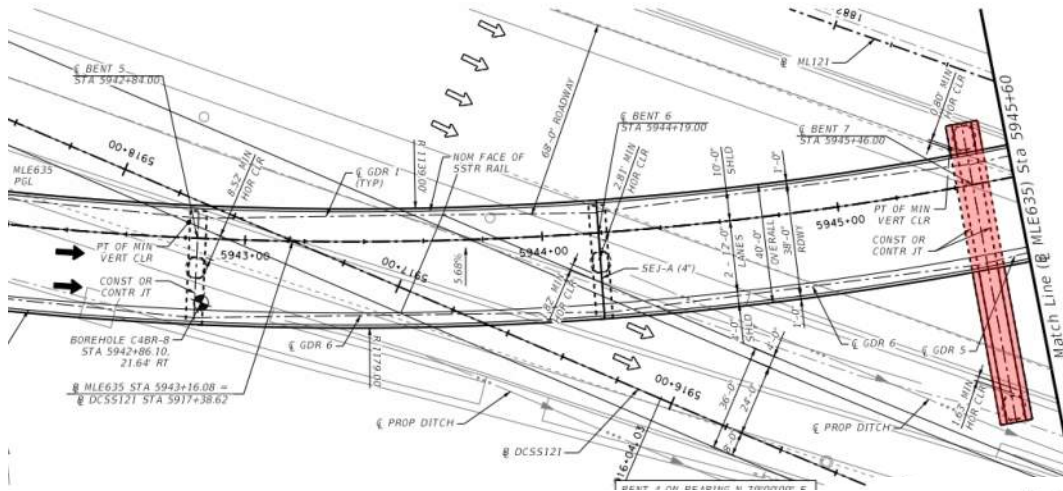
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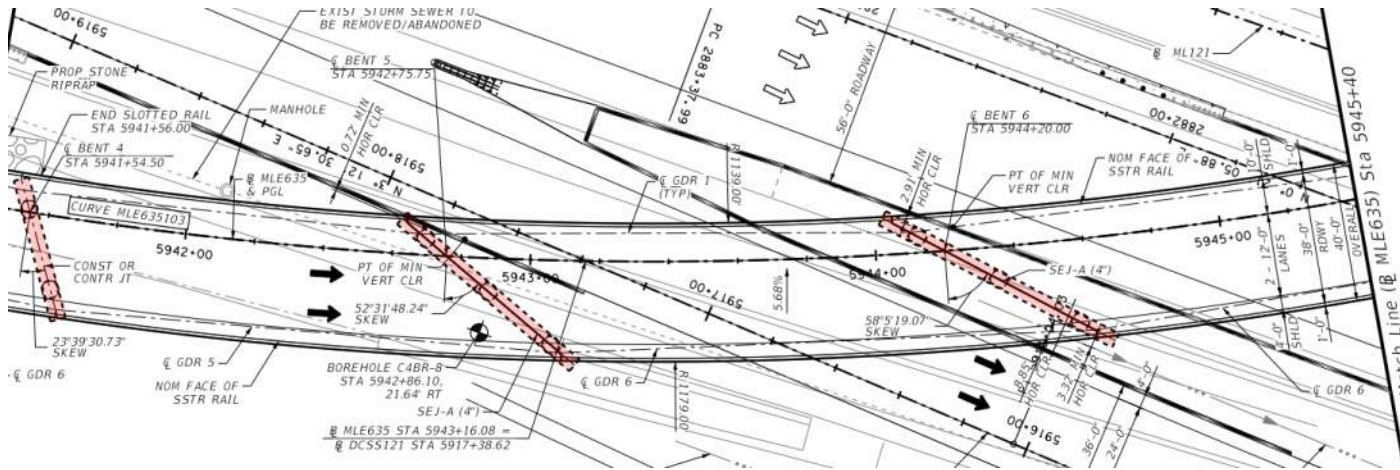
➤ **BRIDGE 78 – ELIMINATE STRADDLE BENT**

At 60% Design

PT Straddle Bent Over Existing SB SH 121



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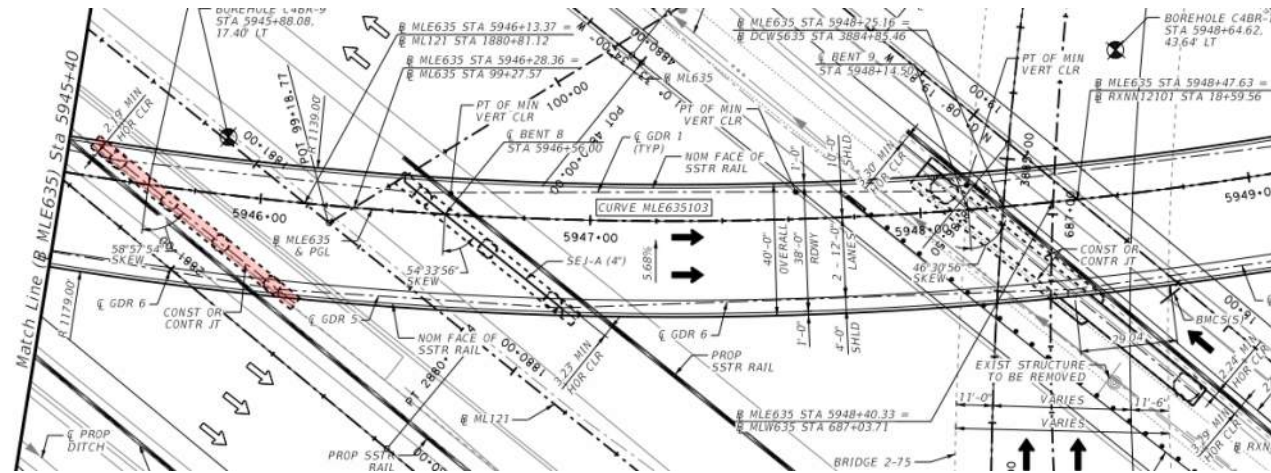


Better Solution For NGC

PT Straddle Bent More Costly And More Difficult To Construct

Avoid Construction Of Bent Over Traffic

Nonconventional Bent Skews



➤ **MAINTENANCE OF TRAFFIC**

**Most Critical Design
Component – Schedule**

**Most Dynamic Part Of Post
Design**

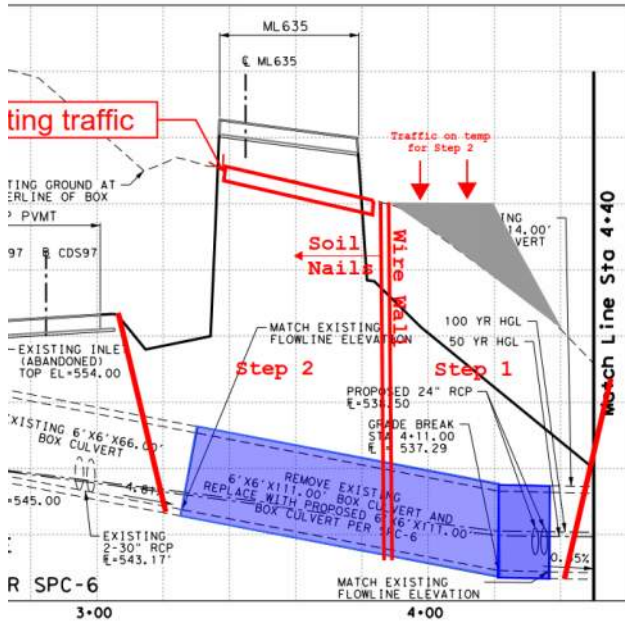
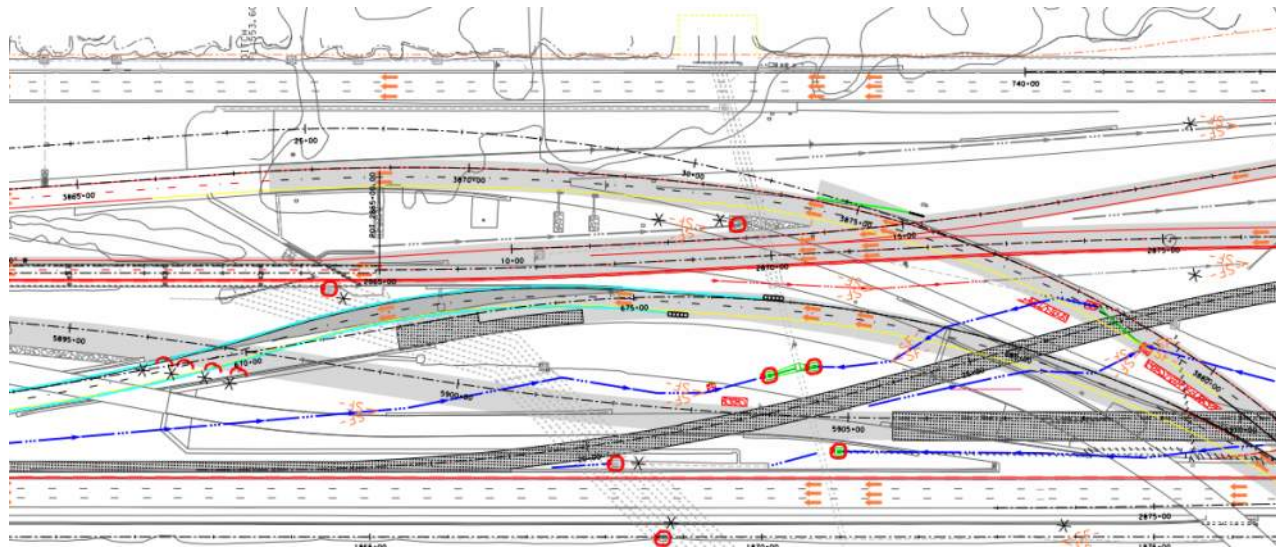
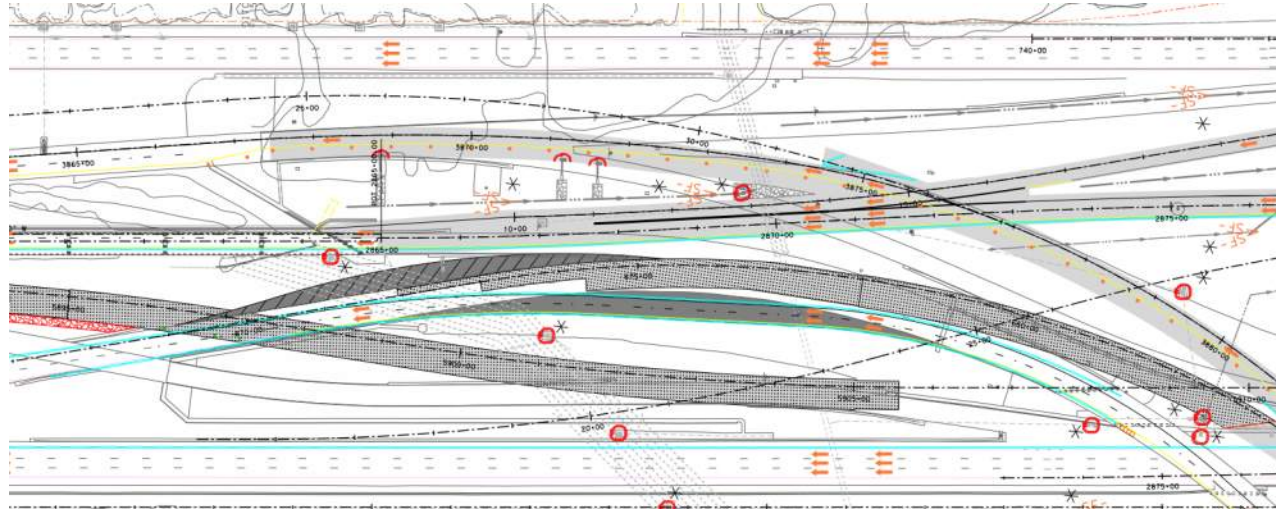
MOT Design Logs

Field Design Change (FDC)



➤ WB 635 DETOUR

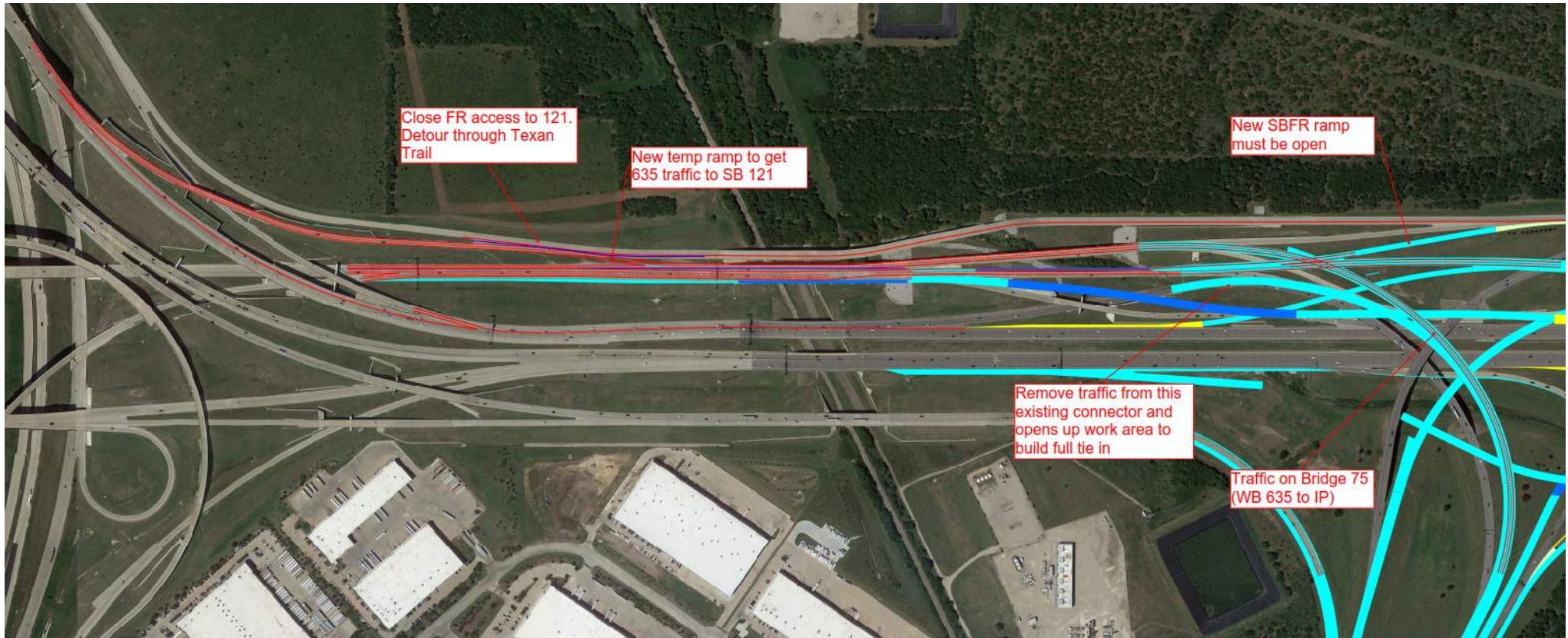
PHASE 4



PHASE 5



➤ **WB 635 DETOUR**



➤ CONSTRUCTION SERVICES

**Primary Point Of Contact
Between Design And Contractor**

**Resource To Support Contractor
– Resolve Field Issues Promptly,
Site Visits**

**Track And Monitor Post Design
Activities (RFIs, NCRs, FDCs,
NDCs, Shop Drawings)**

Review Lane Closure Requests

Review CMA Issues/Repairs

Compile Record Drawings

**Keep NGC Happy Throughout
Project Construction**



➤ **NCR FOR DECK POUR**

Bass Pro Bridge

NGC Was Not Able To Protect Freshly Poured Concrete From Storm Event (Rain and Hail)

After Storm Passed, Continued With Deck Pour

Concern Of Over Hydrated Concrete, Which Could Lead To Insufficient Strength And Quality



12:42 AM – Concrete was added to previously placed concrete

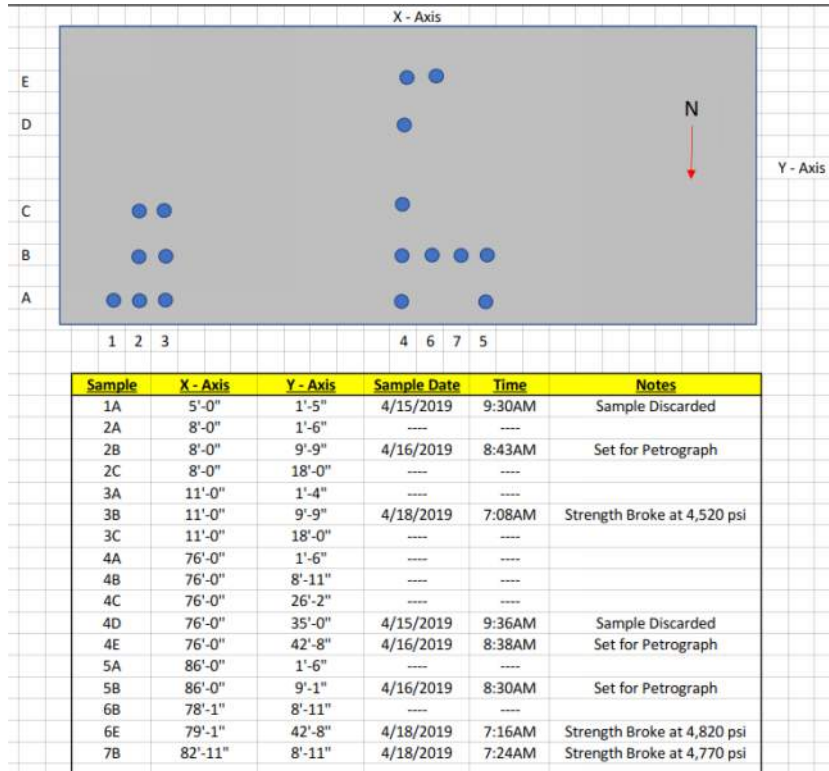
12:42 AM – Bidwell used to screed concrete, deck was vibrated to ensure consolidation.



➤ NCR FOR DECK POUR - SOLUTION

Cored Deck To Test For Compressive Strength And Water/Cement Ratio

Performed Life Cycle Analysis (Life 365)



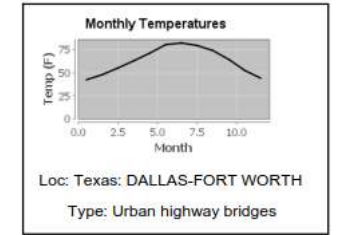
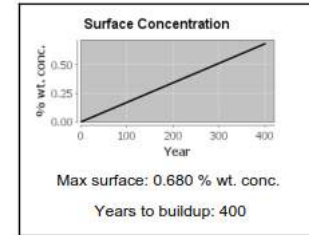
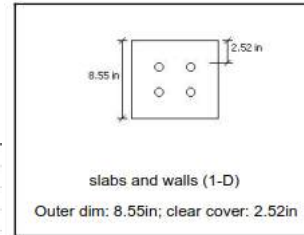
Life-365 v2.2 - Concrete Mixes and Service Lives

Project: NCR 1138

Description: Life Cycle Analysis for Br 83, Span 5 using weighted average cover & thickness

Analyst: Dion R Allcock

Date: 05/23/2019



Concrete Mixes

Alt name	User?	w/cm	SCMs	Inhib.	Barrier	Reinf.
Alternative 2		0.45	Class F Fly Ash (20%);			Epoxy Coated

"n/a" indicates that, since the user is specifying the diffusion properties of this mix, this value is not specified.

Diffusion Properties and Service Lives

Alt name	D28	m	Ct	Init.	Prop.	Service life
Alternative 2	1.62E-8 in ² /sec	0.36	0.05 % wt. conc.	101.5 yrs	20 yrs	121.5 yrs

">" indicates that the user has directly specified this value; "+" indicates the service life exceeds the study period.

➤ **NCR FOR PAVEMENT SUBGRADE**

WB 635, 36" LTS Section Was Built 2.5" Too high
Structural Number Assessment
Reviewed Pavement Report



Structural Number (SN) Assessment

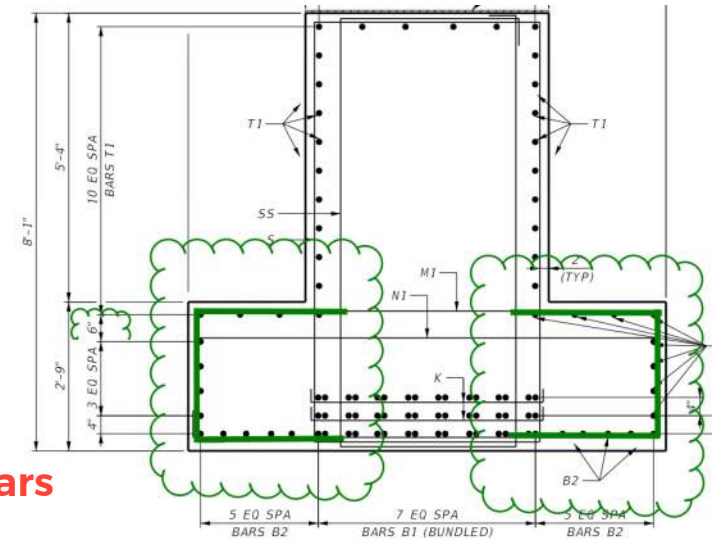
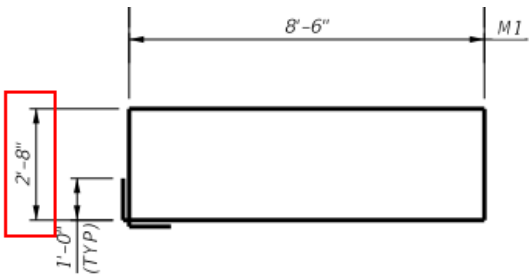
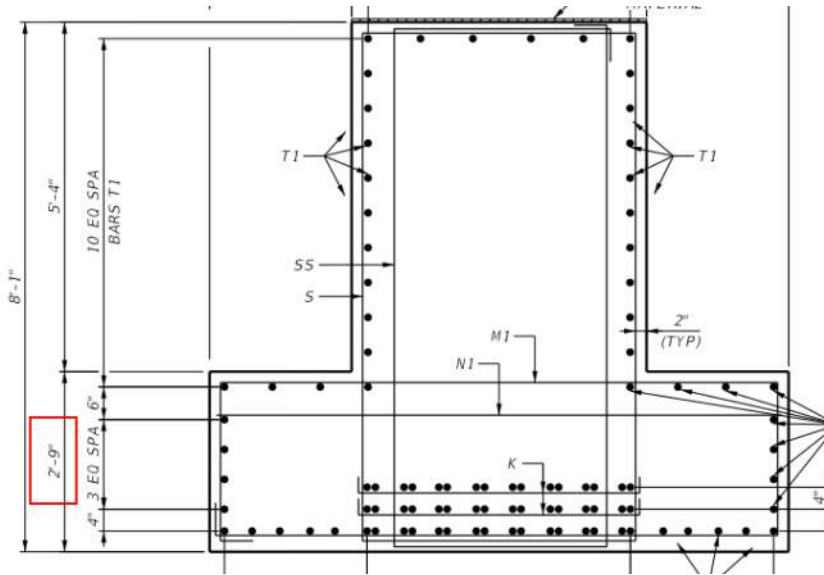
SC	Original Design		Alternative 1		Alternative 2		
	SN		2" LTS Reduction	SN	3" LTS Reduction	SN	
CRCP	0.5	13	6.5	13	6.5	13	6.5
Type B - BB	0.44	2.5	1.1	3	1.32	3.5	1.54
LTS	0.08	36	2.88	34	2.72	32.5	2.6
Total Thickness		51.5		50		49	
SN		10.48		10.54		10.64	

Alternative 1 SN (10.54) > 10.48
 Alternative 2 SN (10.68) > 10.48

Weighted PI of Soil Column w/o LSSG	Weighted Average PI of Subgrade ¹ PI _{USG}	Thickness of Untreated Subgrade, D _{USG} (in)	Required Effective PI	Req'd Thickness of LSSG (in)	Proposed Thickness of LSSG ³ (in)
59	70	33.6	24.5	46.9	47.0
33	40	59.3	24.5	21.2	21.5
39	47	50.0	24.5	30.5	30.5
46	55	42.8	24.5	37.7	38.0
38	45	52.3	24.5	28.2	28.5
36	43	54.7	24.5	25.8	26.0
				Avg.	32

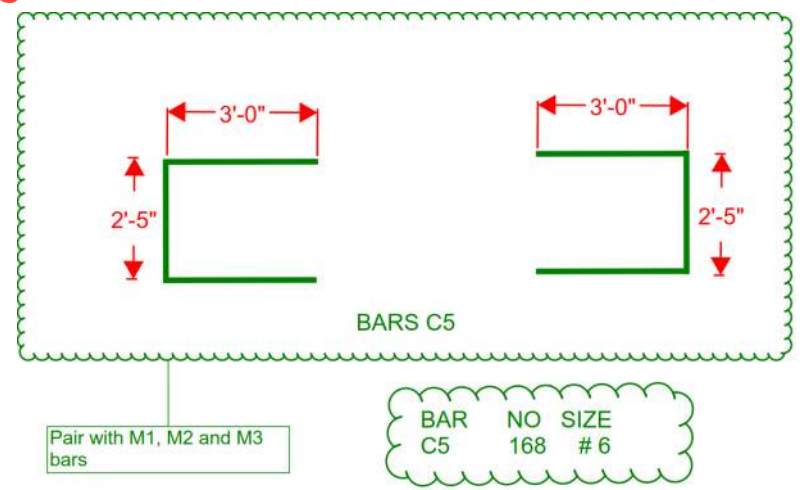


➤ RFI FOR BRIDGE BENT REINFORCEMENT



Cut Existing M Bars

Add New C Bars



Thank you!

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