A Stronger Span: Perspectives on Ohio's Longest County Route Semi-Integral Bridge



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Smothers Road over Hoover Reservoir

Ed Herrick, PE Mike Killian, PE Kevin Gothberg







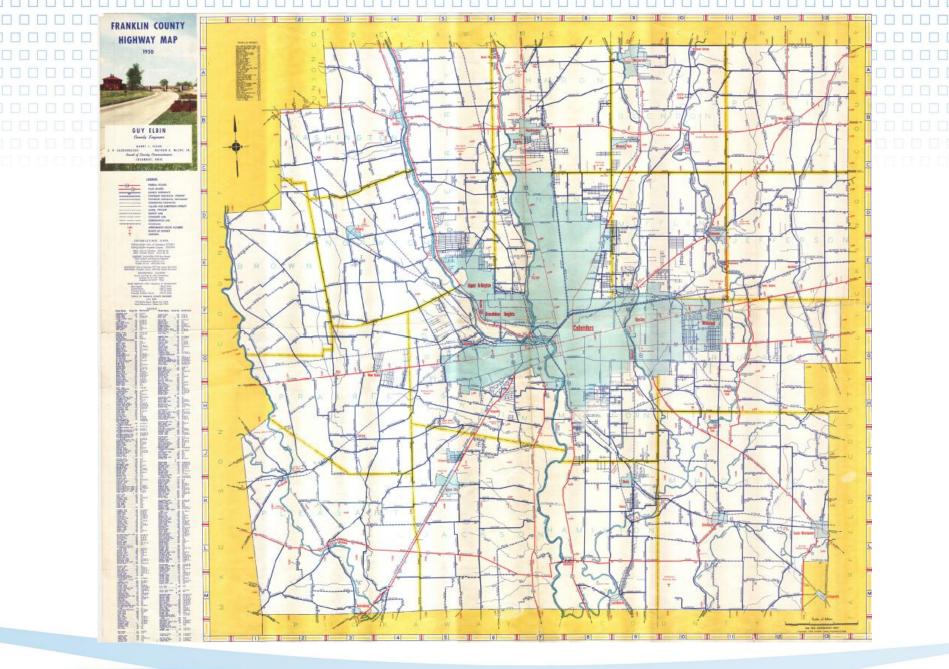
Comer's Perspective

Ed Herrick, PE Franklin County Engineer's Office



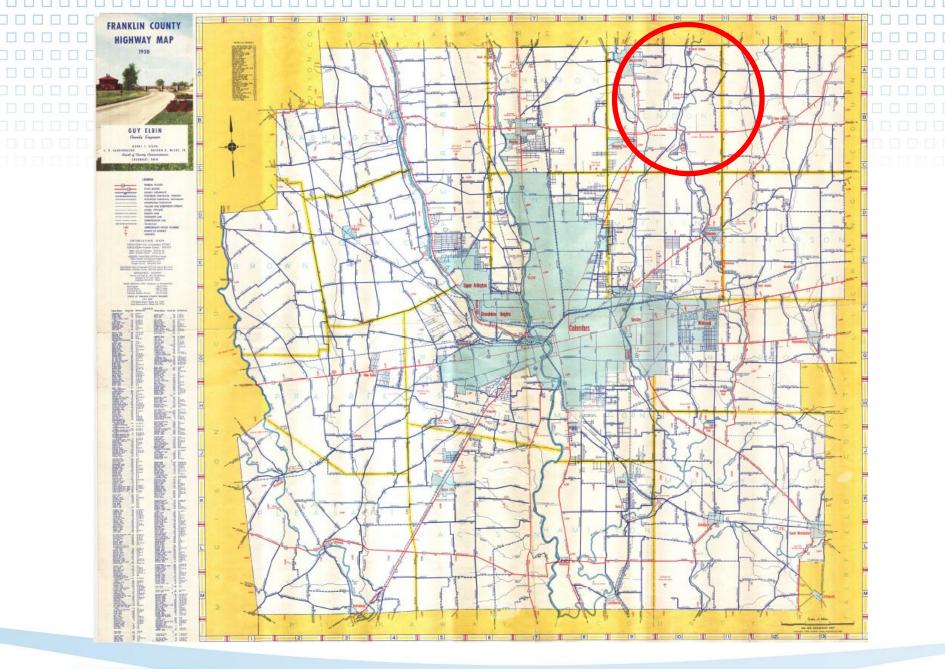






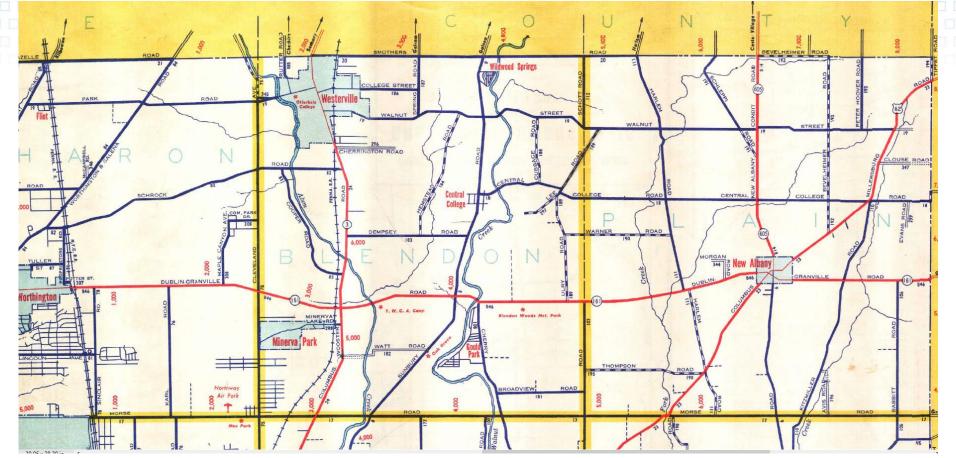












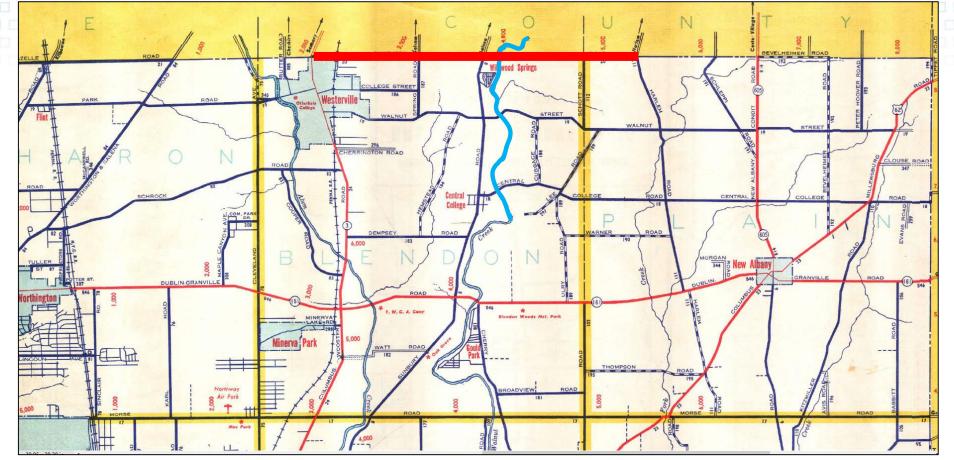






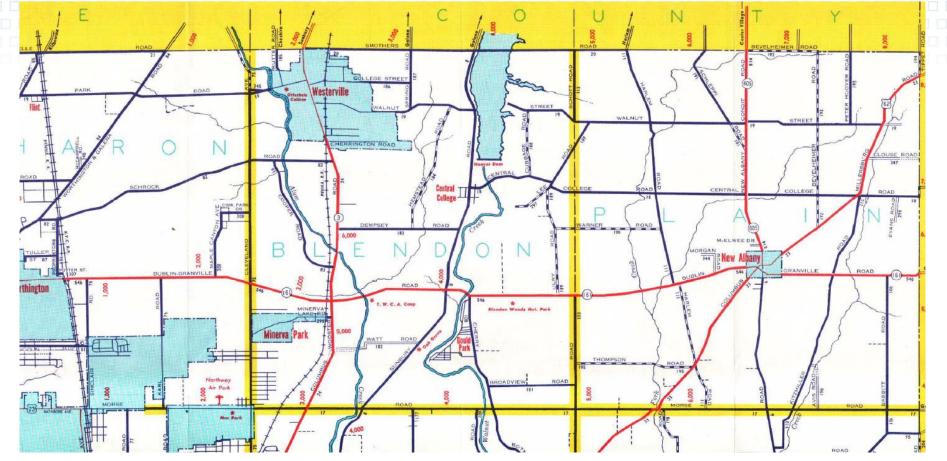






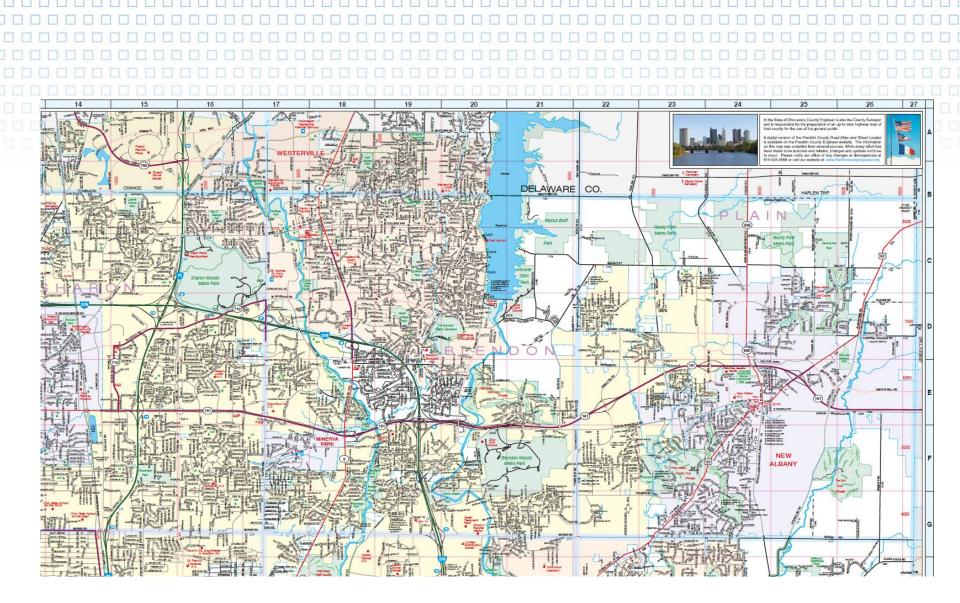






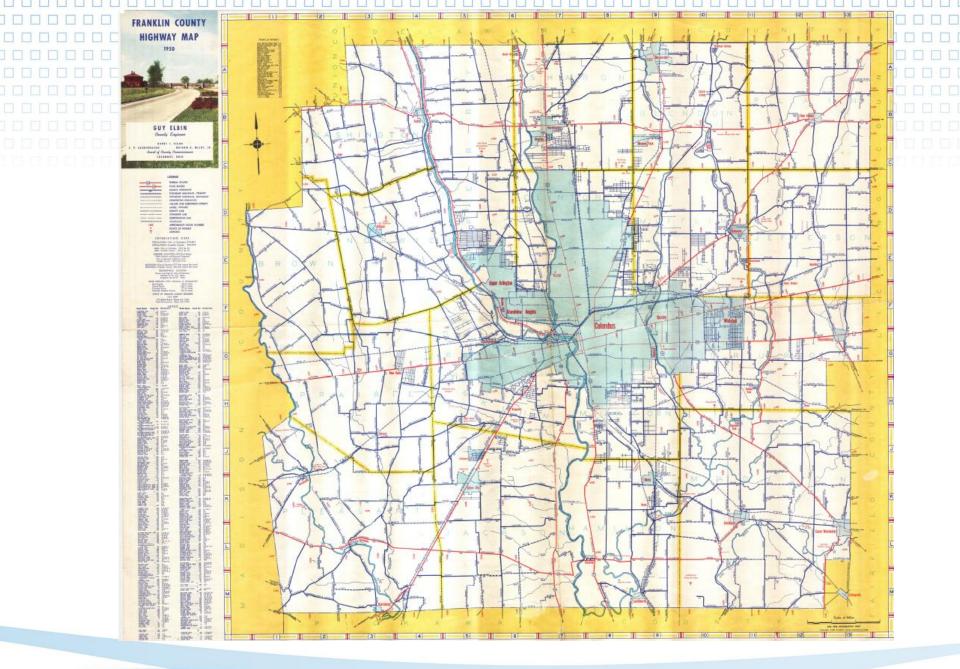






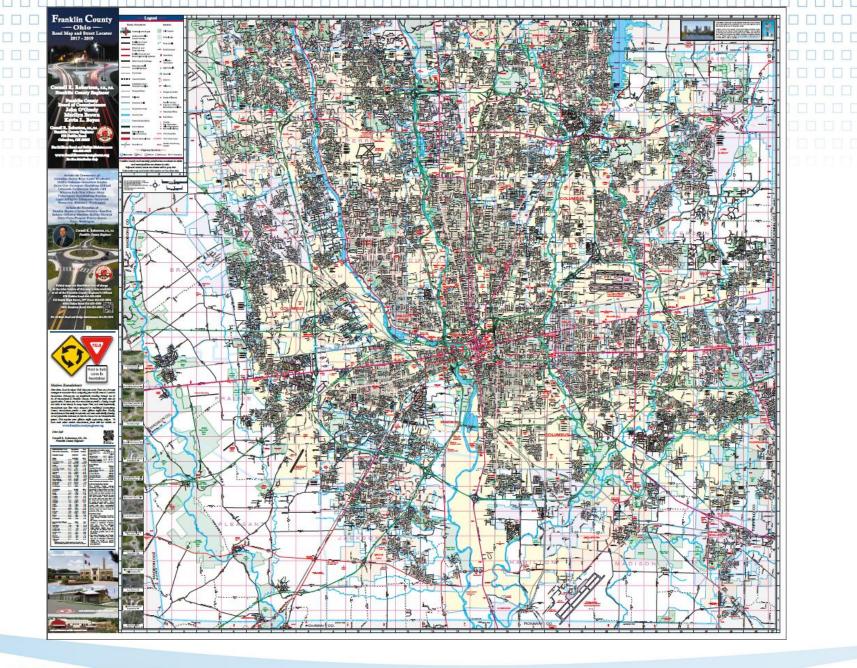




















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The Existing Bridge
Built in 1953 (redecked in 1980)
30'-0" f/f guardrail
6-spans (72.8, 99.7, 100.1, 100.1,
Stub abutments on piles

- 6-spans (72.8, 99.7, 100.1, 100.1, 99.7, 72.8)
- Bridge Limits: 546'-2"
- Reinforced concrete slab on 3haunched steel girders
- 80'+ tall cap-and-column piers on piles and spread footings
- Strip seal expansion joints and rocker type bearings.







Existing Bridge Issues

- Approach causeway and abutment settlement and slope failure
- Fracture critical 3 girder system
- Fatigue-prone steel detailing
- Limited right shoulder width
- Deteriorated abutment bearing seats
- Deteriorated concrete deck



























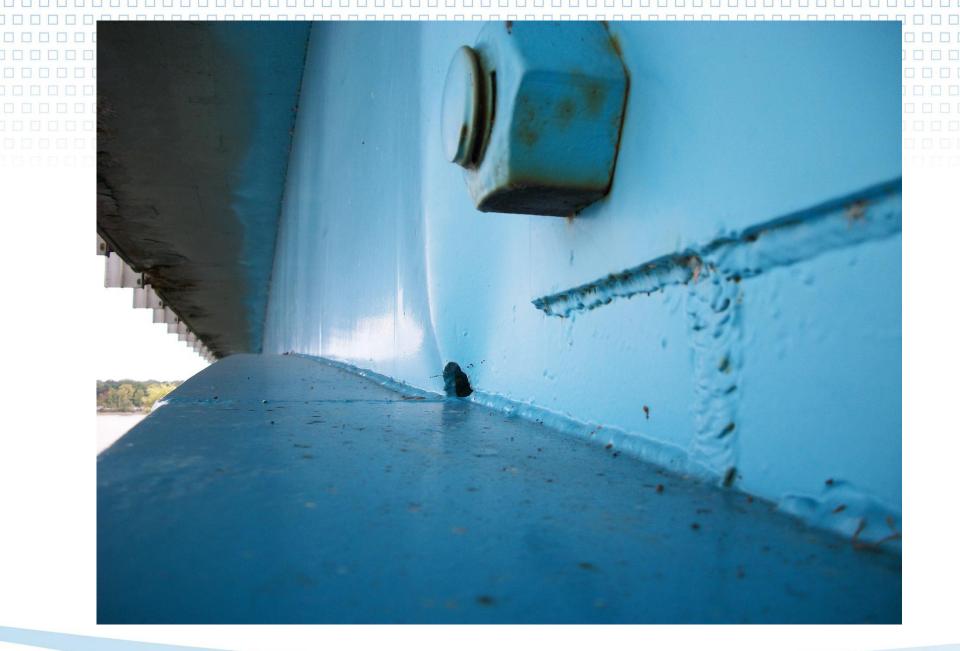














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- Genoa Twp. (Delaware)













Project Design Schedule

- April 2013 Consultant Authorization
- October 2013 Preliminary Engineering Study
- January 2014 Stage 1
- March 2014 Contractor Constructability Review
- July 2014 Stage 2
- Project selected for Federal Exchange Process Funding
- February 2015 Stage 3
- March 2016 Tracings
- August 2016 Project Sold





Design Perspective

Mike Killian, PE

Burgess & Niple, Inc.







Project Design Scope / Goals
 Replace existing bridge deck (detour MOT)

- Replace existing bridge girders (redundant system, no fatigue-prone details)
- Convert abutments to semi-integral and salvage the existing piers (if possible)
- Minimize the approach causeway work
- Minimize disruption to traffic and the surrounding community
- Incorporate provisions for a shared-bike shoulder
- Maintain or improve vertical boating clearance



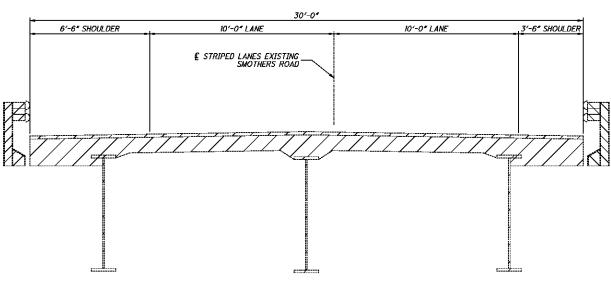


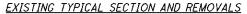
<u>Preliminary Bridge Design</u> – <u>Structure Types Considered</u>

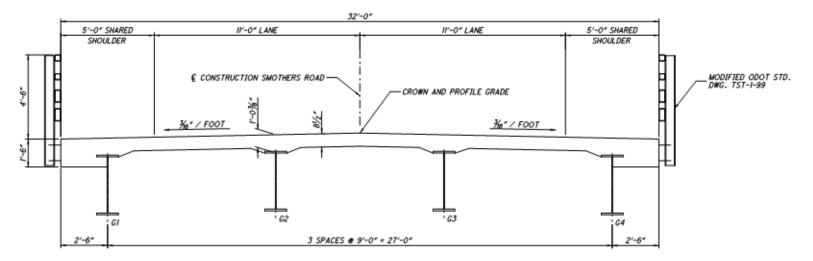
- Haunched steel plate girders
- Rolled steel beams
- Prestressed concrete I-girders
- Prestressed concrete box beams
- Constant depth steel plate girders (selected)











PROPOSED TYPICAL SECTION



Contractor Constructability Review

Coordinated with Ohio Contractors Association and two different local contractors

Obtained input on:

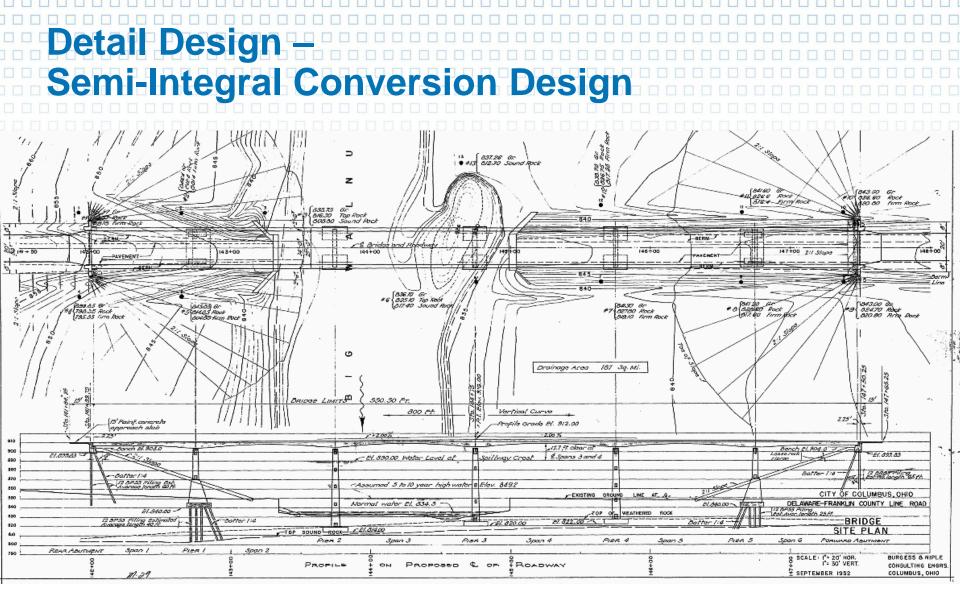
- Constructability
- Site access
- Methods for accelerating construction and minimizing impact to surrounding community.

Notable outcome:

- Minimum closure time = 120-days
- No to precast elements
- SIP forms would be the best solution for reducing construction time.
- Barges would be used for both demo and construction but that dock location and design should be left up to contractor.

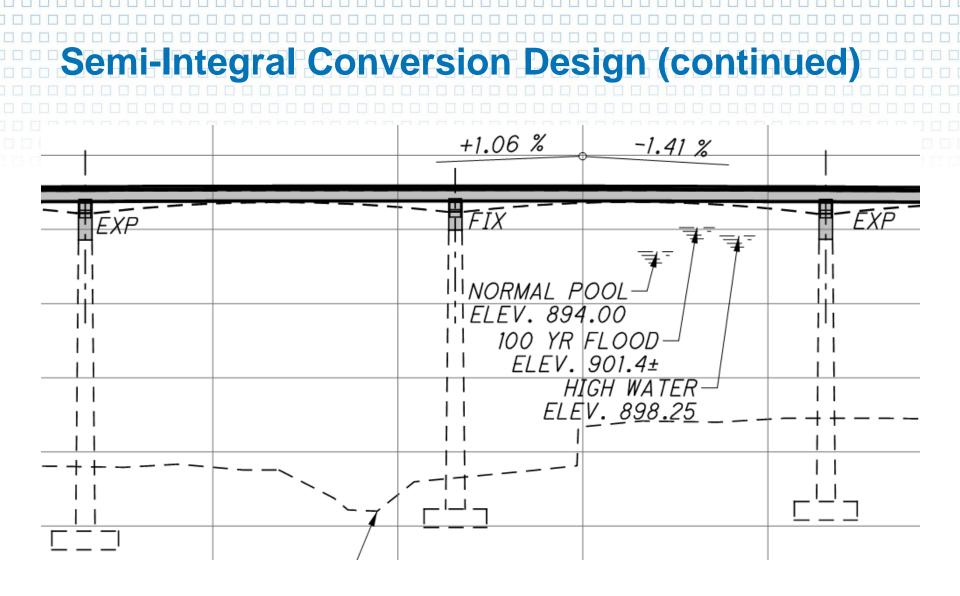








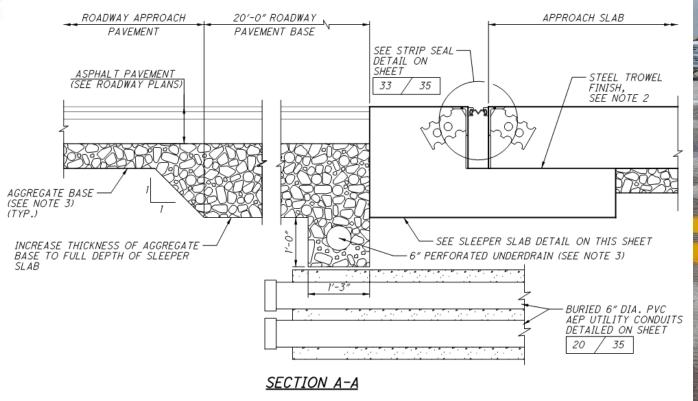








Semi-Integral Conversion Design (continued









AASHTO – LRFD Bridge Design Specs - 2012

3.10—EARTHQUAKE EFFECTS: EQ

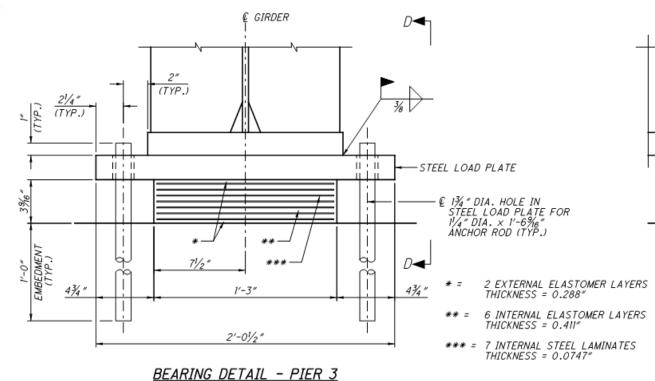
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The horizontal design connection force shall be addressed from the point of application through the substructure and into the foundation elements.

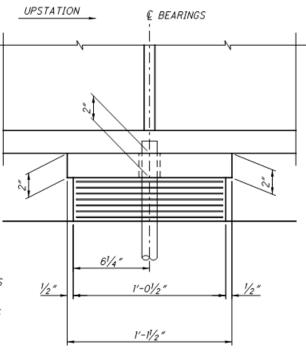




Bearing and Seismic design (continued) (fuse concept)



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Bearing and Seismic design (continued)

It should be noted that after the design was completed...

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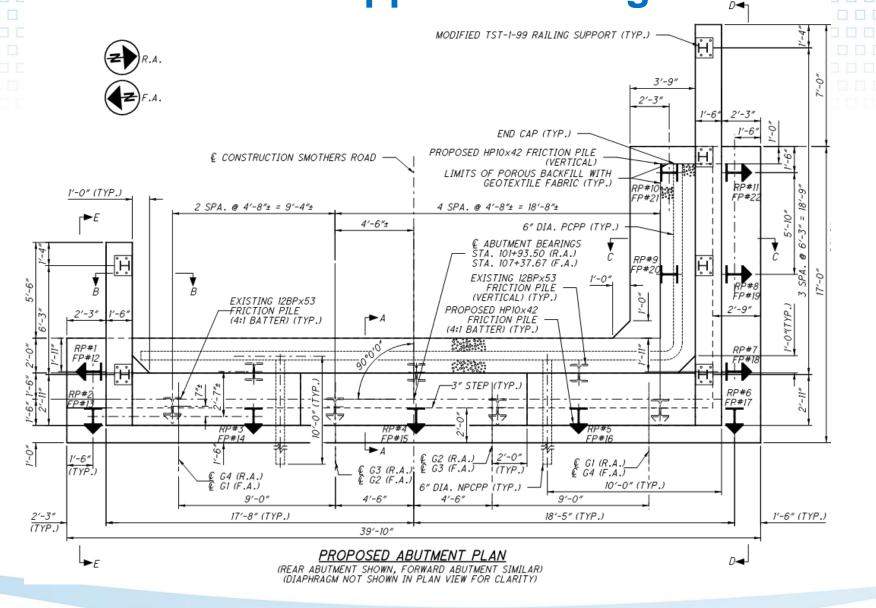
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Abutments and Approach Design





Modified TST Railing

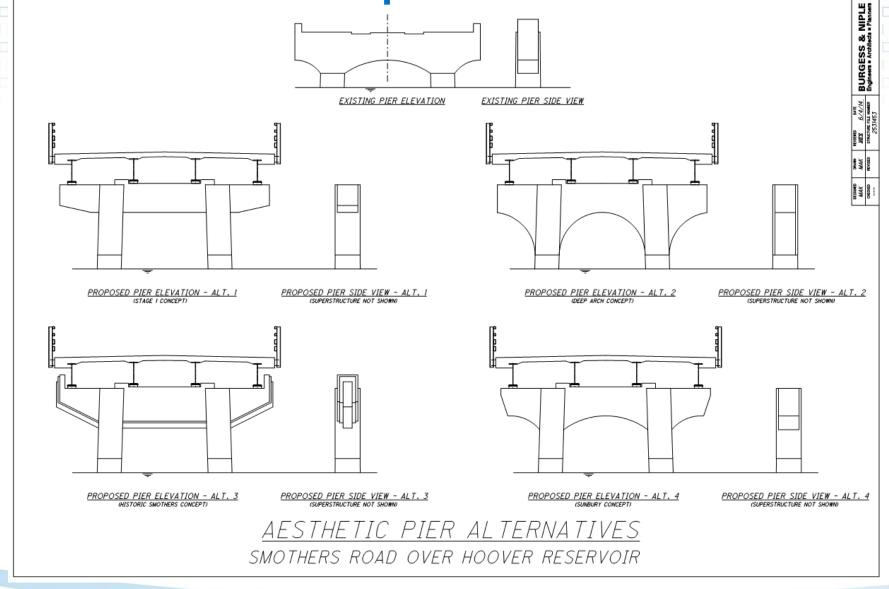




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Aesthetic Pier Caps







- Environmental
 Federal Exchange Process –
 No NEPA documents required (i.e. 4F, Cultural, Ecological)
 - Wetland Delineation Report completed
 3 small wetland areas were identified
 - 404 permit was not prepared. Existing boat facility to the north available for use. But, each contractor will likely want to do something different.
 - Structural Steel
 - Weathering and galvanized steel options were considered
 - Pre-painted with 3-coats (prime, intermediate, finish) (similar to Sunbury Road Bridge)





Construction Perspective

Kevin Gothberg

Kokosing Construction Company





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- Tight Schedule
 - Weather Winter Start
 - Access Causeway not feasible, limited roadway width

 Overhead utilities at south edge of bridge







- - 120 day closure with an early road closure date of 2/13. Incentive was \$5,000 per day and disincentive was \$7,000 per day.
 - Weather delays were allowed to move the completion date, but did not move the incentive date.
 - Internally decided incentive was not realistic. Schedule too linear and weather too uncertain to financially rationalize pursuing incentive.
 - Still accelerated by using winter concrete protection, overtime, and 6 day work weeks as needed.
 - 3 sets of prefabricated pier forms used.
 - Specification allowed for metal deck.





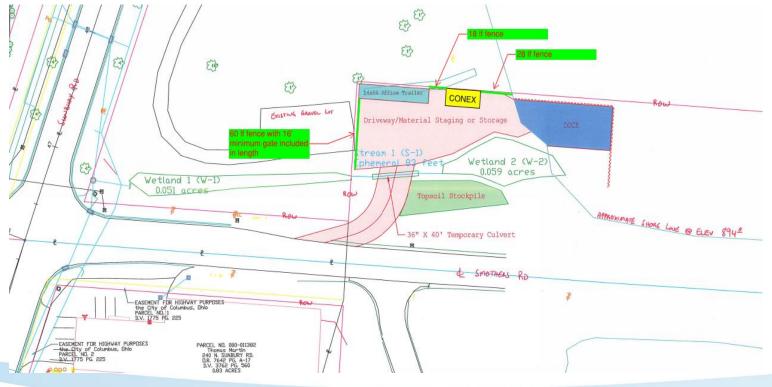
- Concrete saw, asphalt mill, water freezing, etc.
- Winter Concrete
- Wind impacts on barges and cranes
- Wind on picked members







- Had to thread drive through 2 wetlands.
- Access road and dock fill required 404 Permit













Electrical and Communications

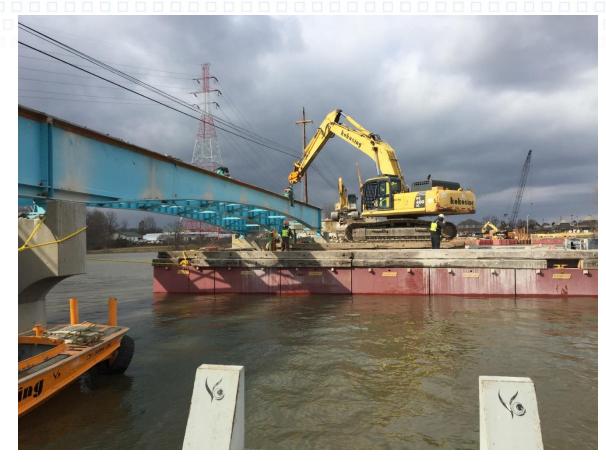
Required removal for piling, demo, and erection







- Electrical was removed with services back fed from a temporary substation. AEP was fantastic.
- We were able to work around communications lines.



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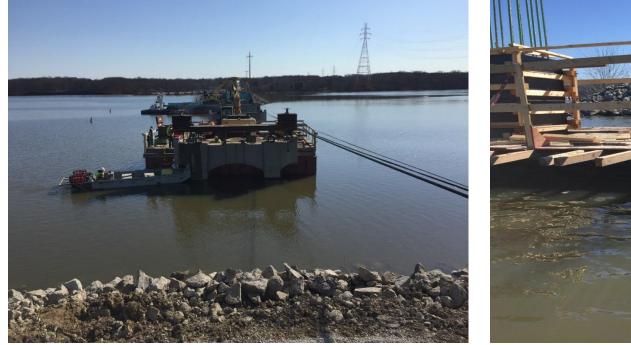








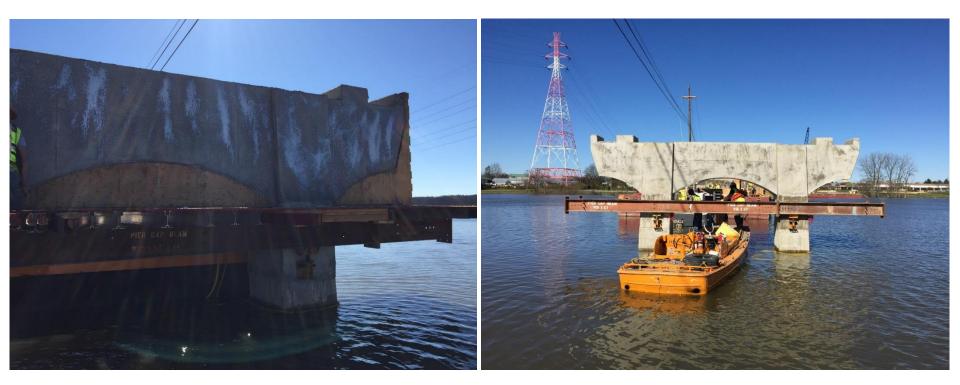






















Steel Erection (continued)







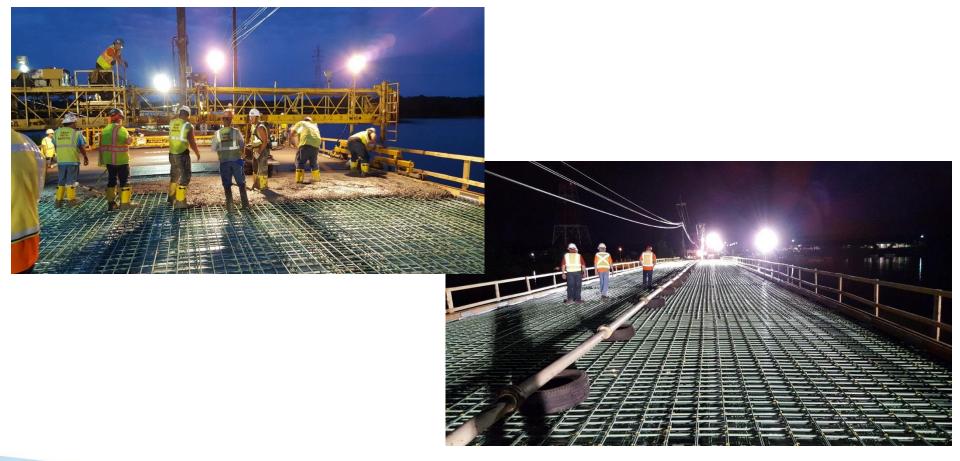


Splices and Decking













Bridge Mounted Utility Ducts











































