#### Thermal Imaging to Support Preservation

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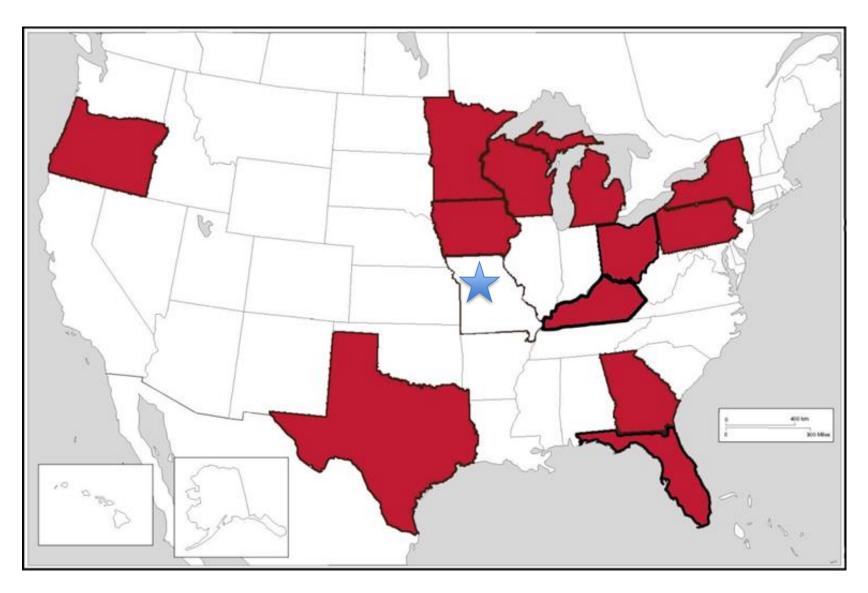
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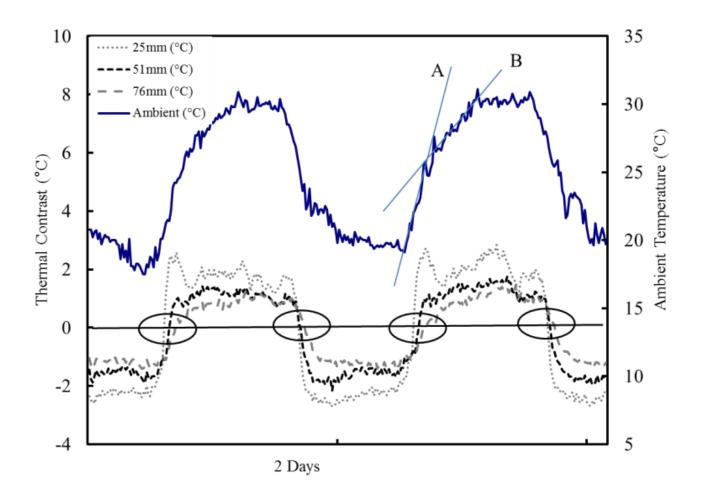
# Goals and Objectives

- Goal: Broaden the use of IR technologies for the condition assessment of bridges
- Objectives:
  - Provide update on results of pooled fund
  - Introduce new IR technologies
    - Tools for IR inspection
      - IR Deck and Soffit Scanner (IR-DSS)
      - IR Ultra-Time Domain Imaging (IR-UTD)

## **Pooled Fund States**



#### Limitations of IR



# New Technology

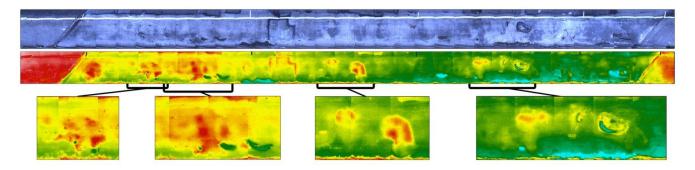
#### IR-DSS

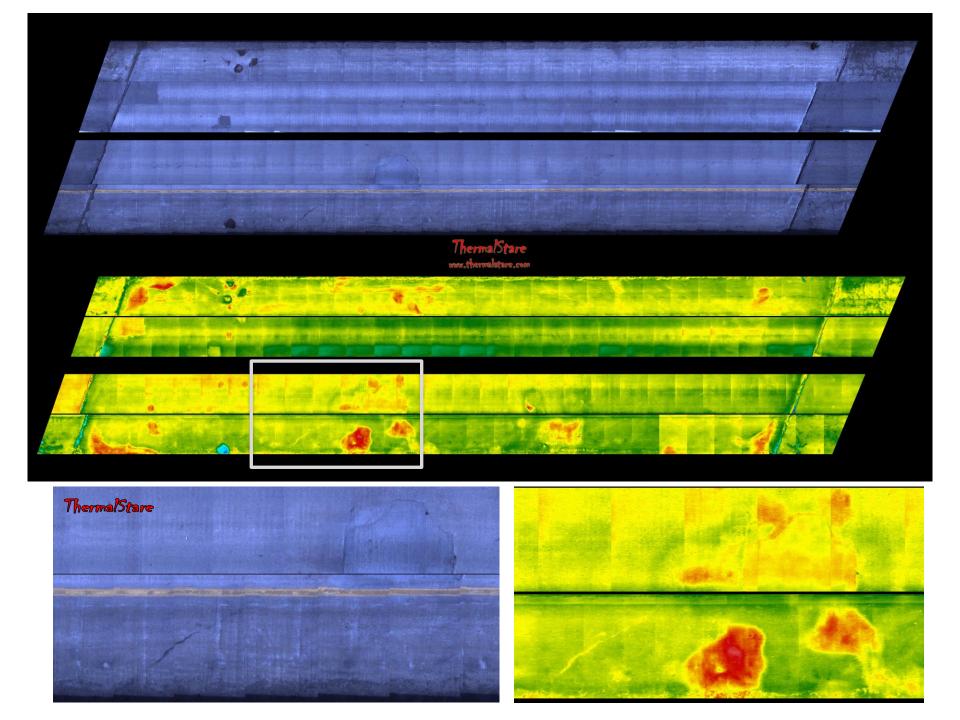
- Mobile System
- 5 MPH
- IR-UTD
  - IR-UTD is a <u>new</u> tool for condition assessment
  - IR images capture over time are processed to analyze thermal changes
  - Overcomes limitations of hand-held IR
    - Depth of damage
    - Weather dependence
    - Reproducibility
    - Quantitative

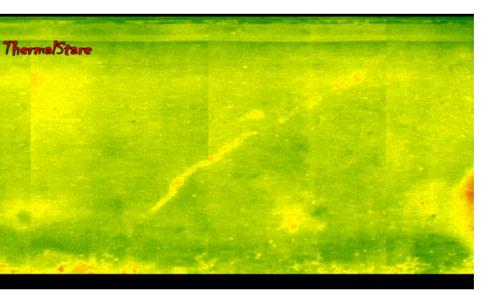
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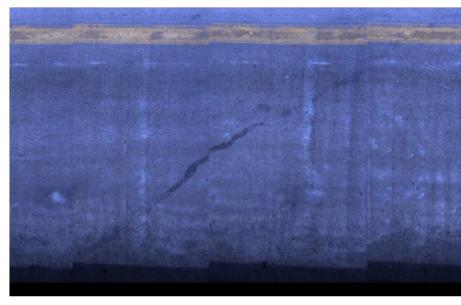


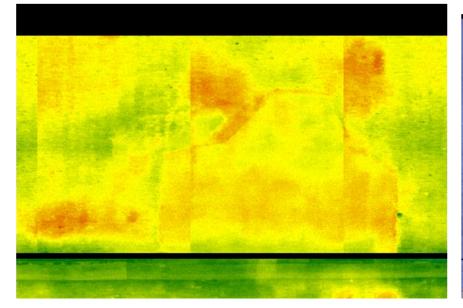
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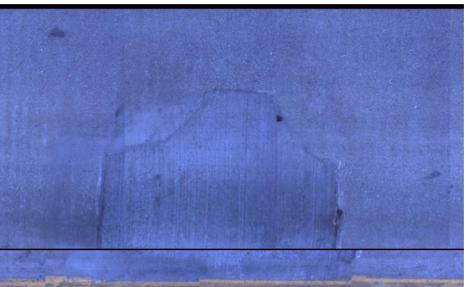




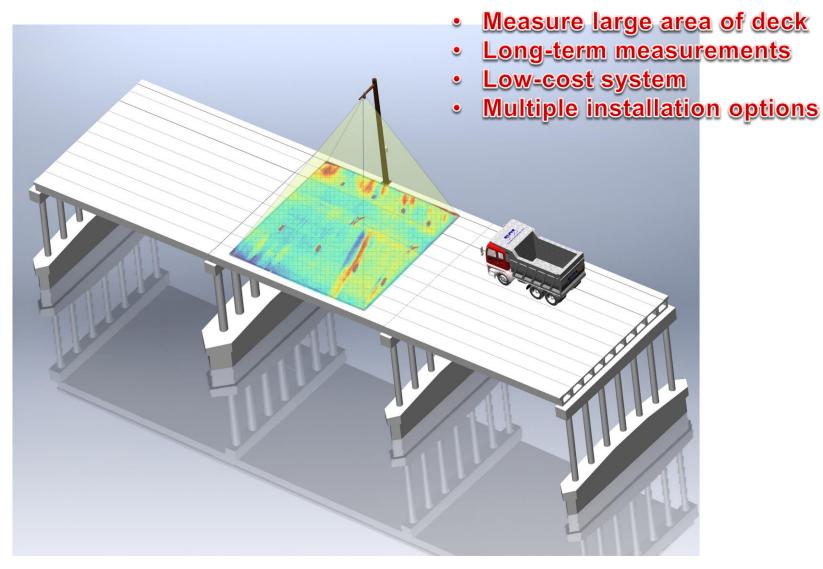




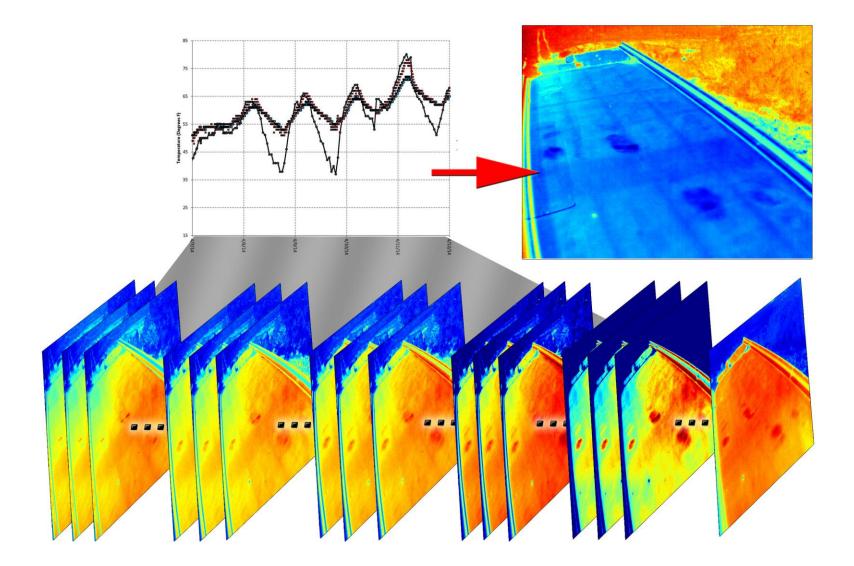




# **IR-UTD** Concept



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# System Setup at Bridge

Non-intrusive system collects data without disrupting traffic



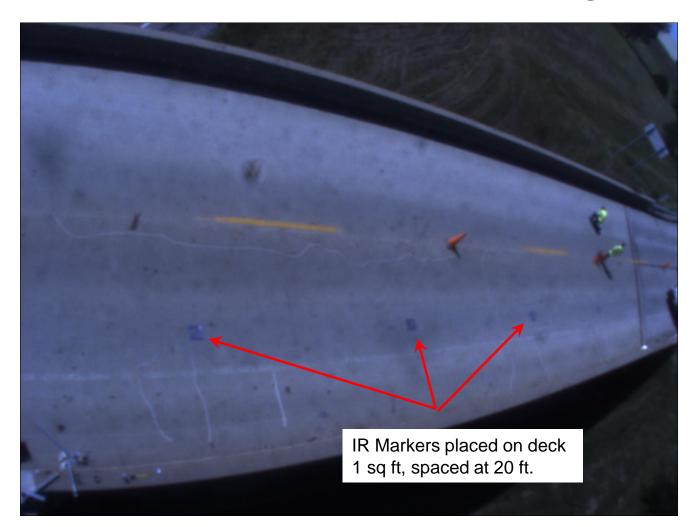
Pneumatic mast

Sign Gantry

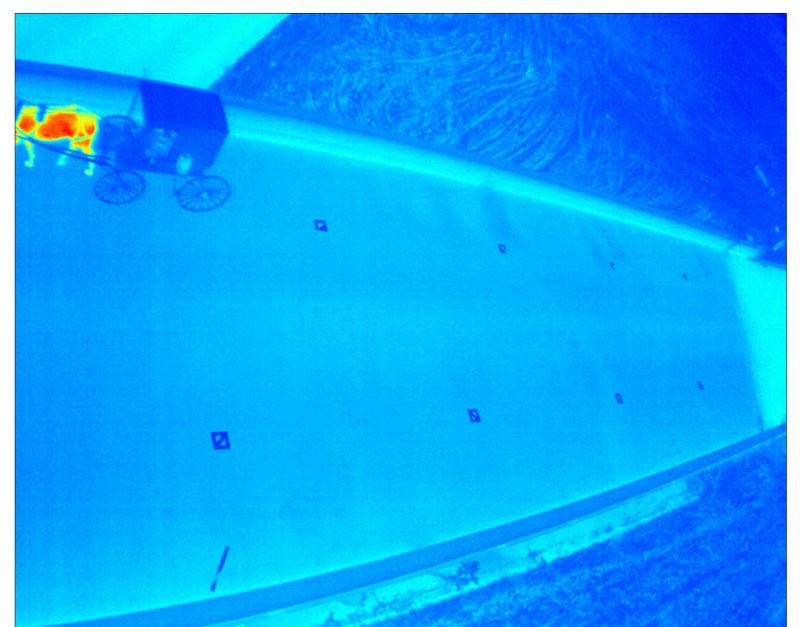
**IR-UTD** 

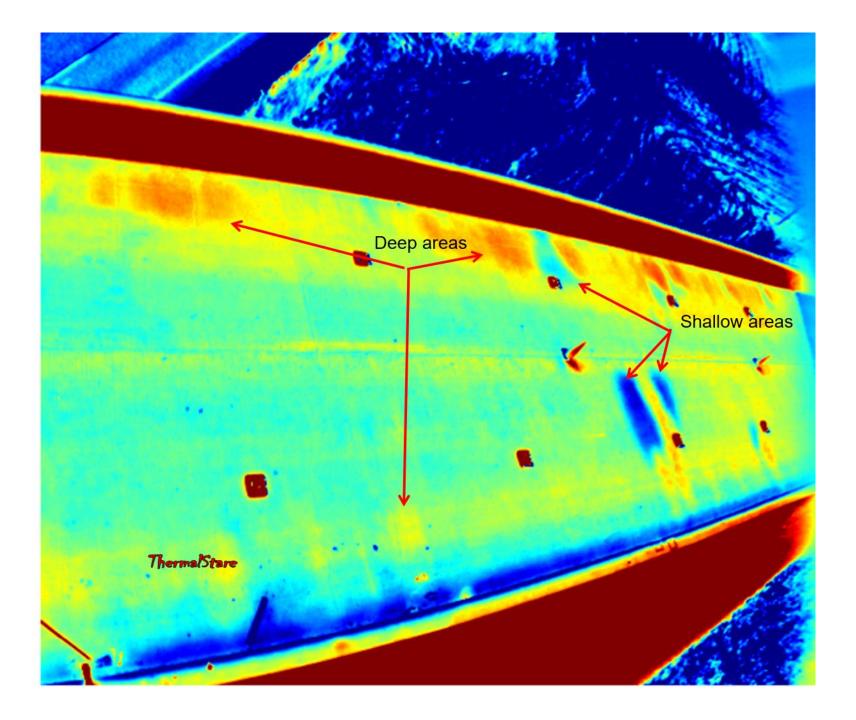
IR-UTD

# IR System View of the Deck – ~3200 sq ft of deck imaged

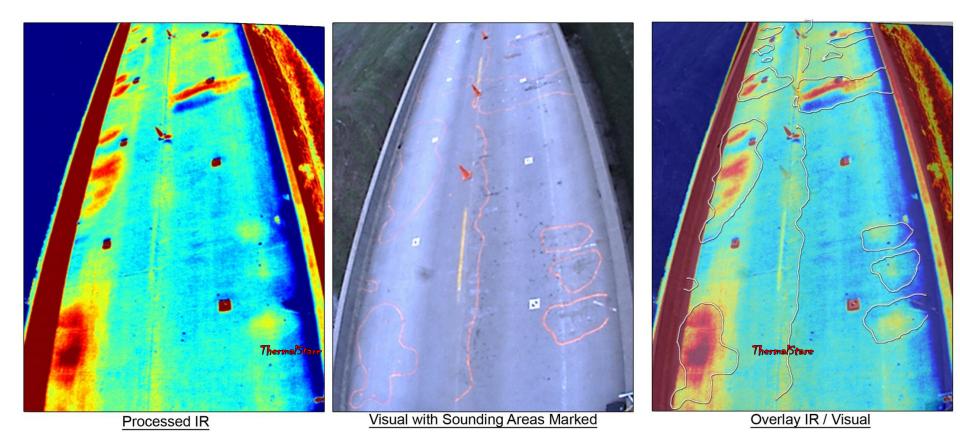


## Open to Traffic





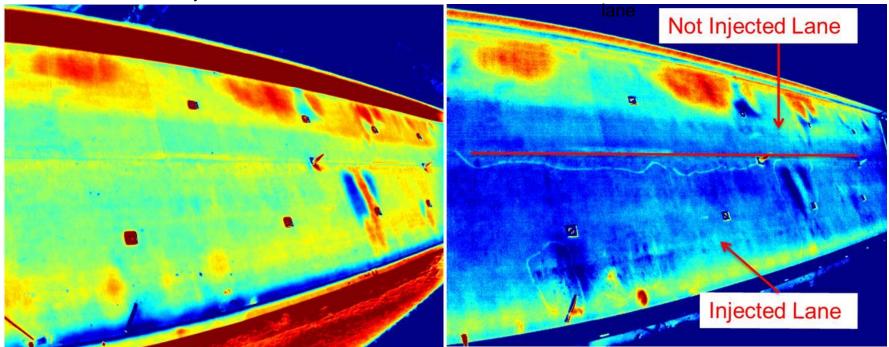
## ~3000 sq. ft. of Bridge Deck - IR-UTD images, sounding and overlay



# **Epoxy Injection**

Before Injection

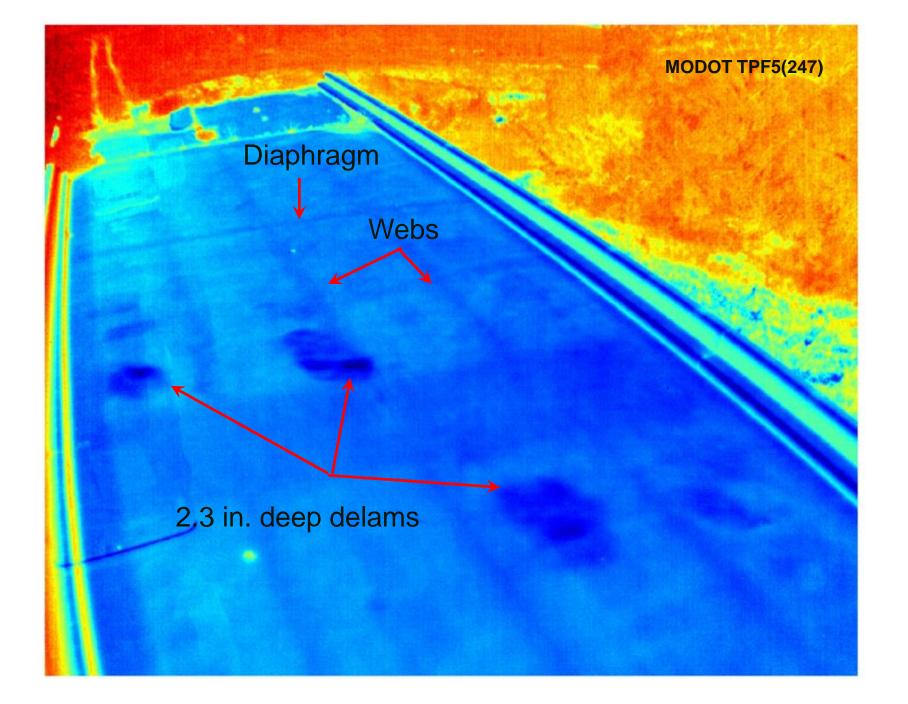
After Injection of one



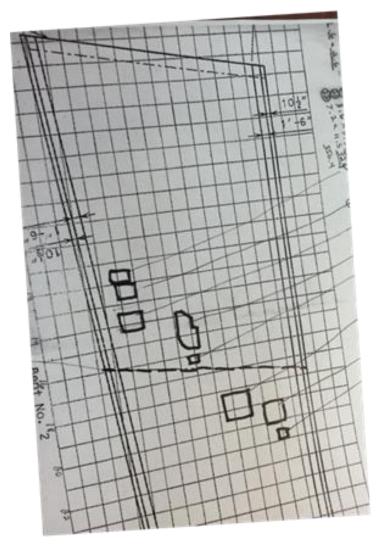
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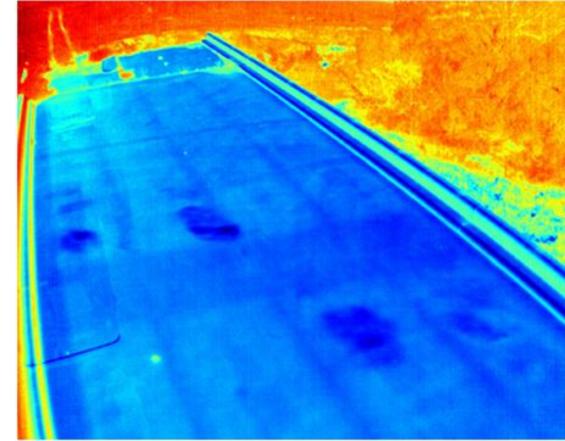




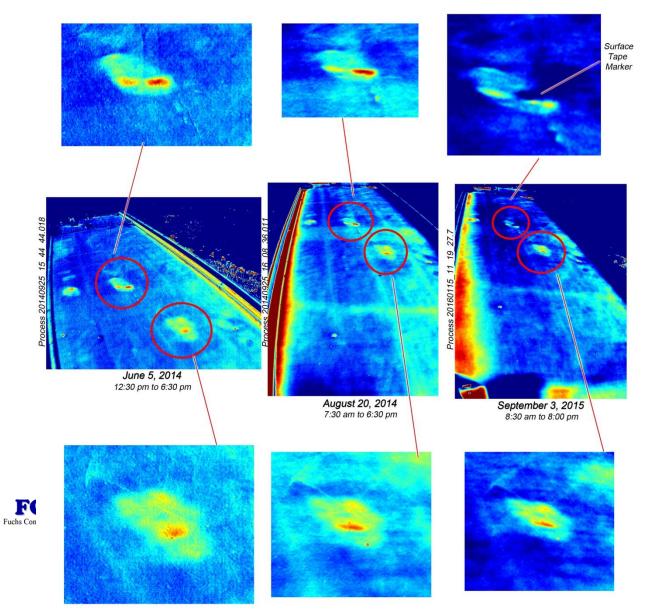


#### Comparison to MoDOT chain drag





## Repeatability



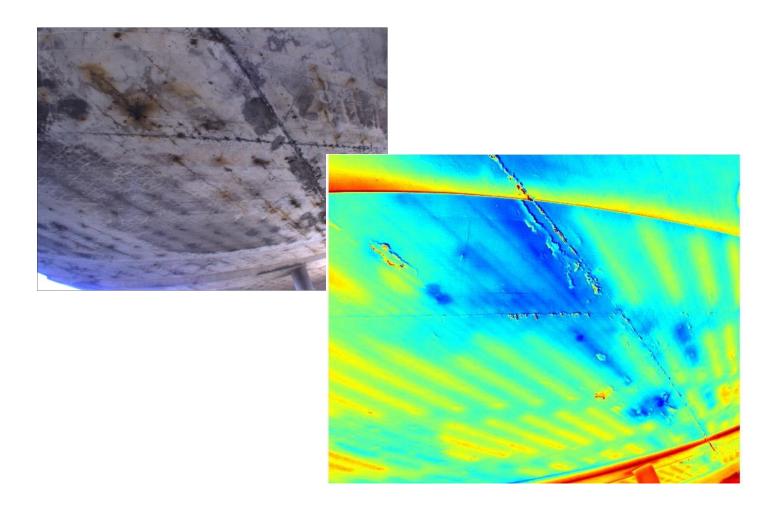
# Voided Slab Bridges

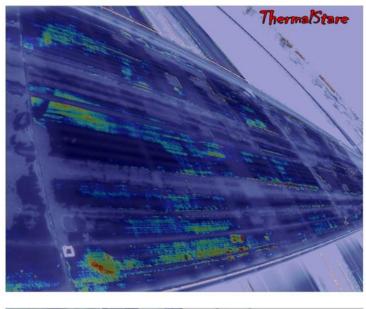


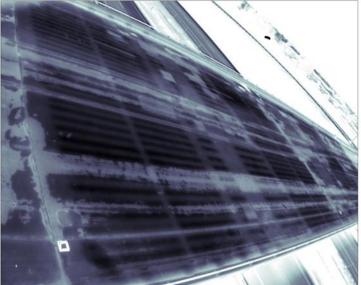
## Photo



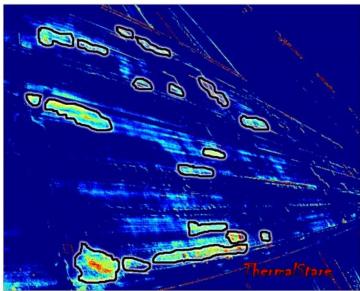
#### Saturated Concrete



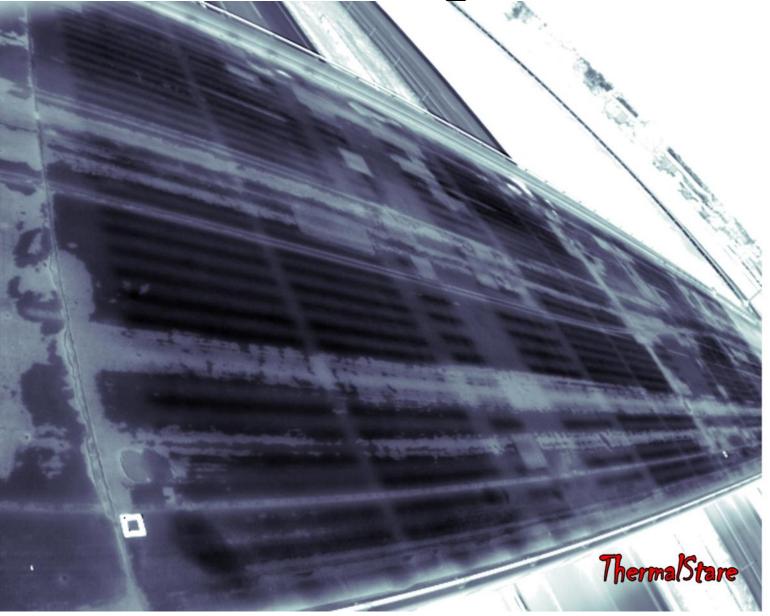




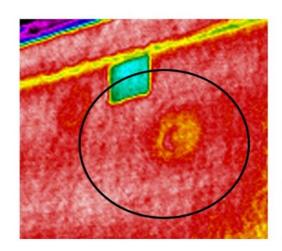




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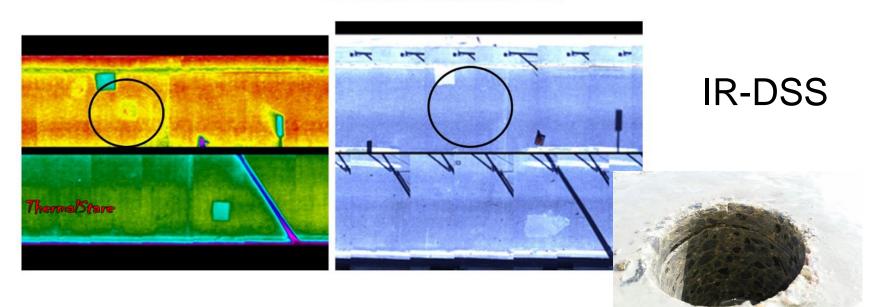


# IR-UTD vs IR-DSS

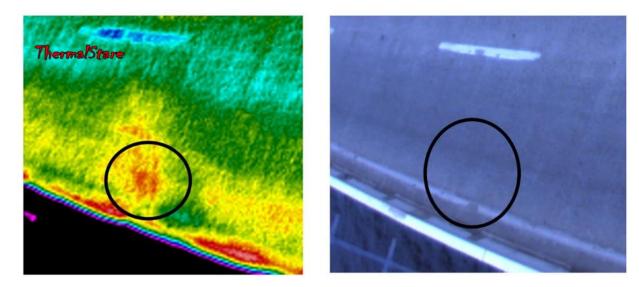




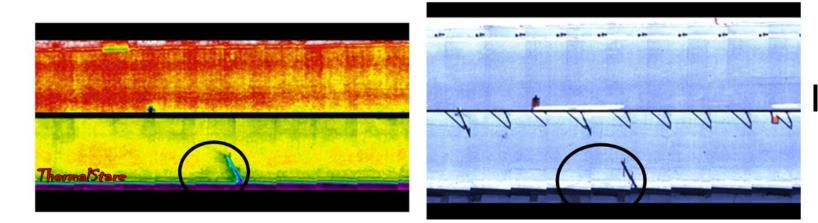
#### IR-UTD



# **IR-UTD vs IR-DSS**



#### **IR-UTD**



#### **IR-DSS**

# **Conclusions and Discussion**

- IR-DSS High resolution, conventional vehicle mounted IR
  - Observe preservation needs, results
- IR-UTD
  - New tool for condition assessment
  - Transient thermography
    - Quantitative, Reproducible
    - Determines depth
    - No traffic control
    - Deck, soffits, substructures
- Commercializing research results



#### Questions / Comments /Discussion?

