WALLOPS ISLAND CAUSEWAY BRIDGE OVER CAT CREEK

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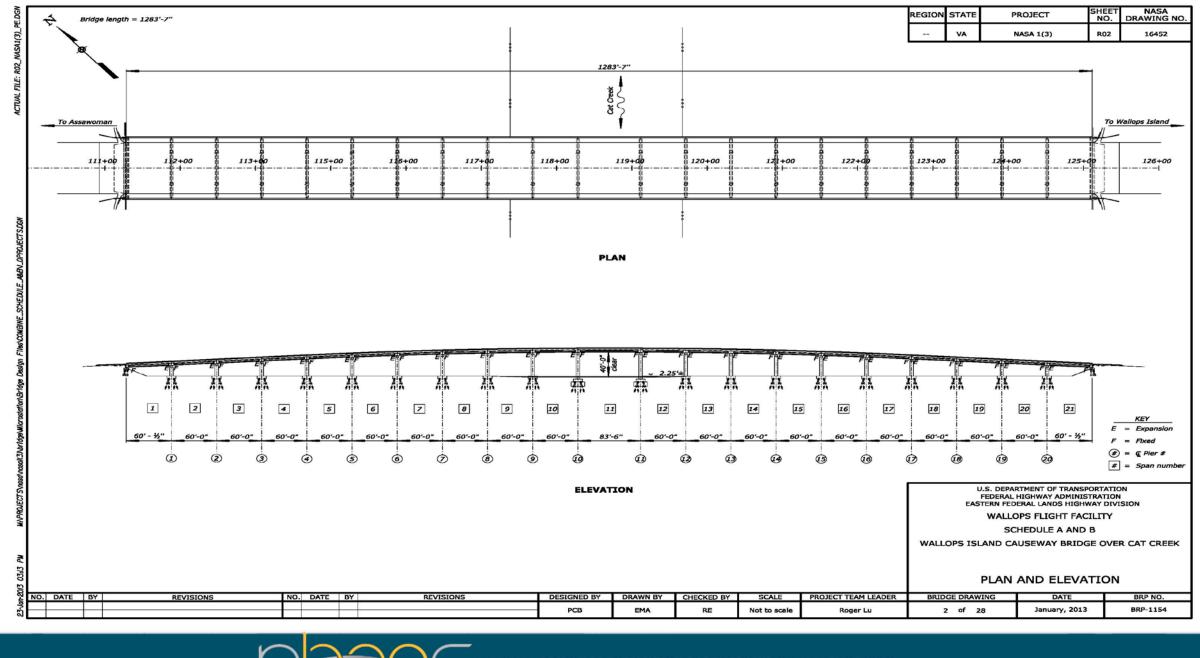
Wallops Island Flight Facility:

- Established in 1945
- Principal facility of suborbital research programs for government and private organizations
- Launched over 16,000 rockets over the years
- 1,400 full-time employees work on the premises

Project Description

- Owner: NASA; Project Administrator: Federal Highway
- Architect/Engineer: Clark Nexsen
- Constructed in 1959
- Twenty one span cast in place concrete deck bridge with twenty 6o' long spans and one 83'-6" long span
- First Rehabilitation was performed in 1986
- Inspection made in 2011: concrete delamination, surface spalling, posttensioning system deficiencies on span 8 and 11
- Owner Project Goal: Owner requested that recommended repairs prolong the life of the bridge for another 10 years.
- Overall Contract Price: \$1,325,894.11
- Project Duration: 08/12/2013 to 06/04/2014





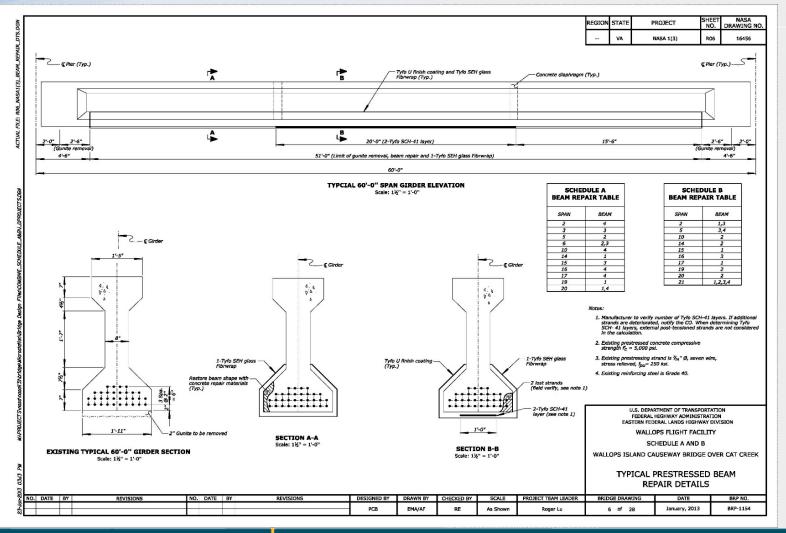




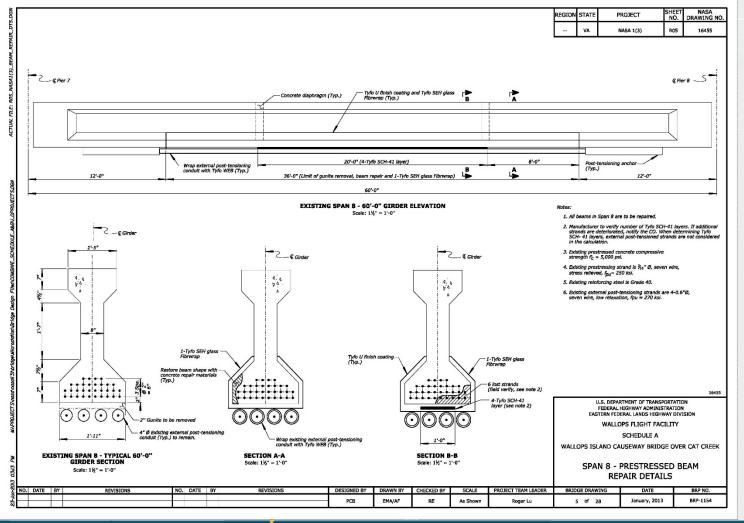
Work Performed

- Concrete Repairs Superstructure and Substructure ~ 239 SY
- Repairs to Existing Pre-Stress Strand
- Installation of Beam Strengthening and Protection Systems
 - 4,256 SF of CFRP (Flexure strength)
 - 9,305 SF of GFRP (Protection)
 - Application of UV Topcoat (Protection)
- Maintenance of Traffic

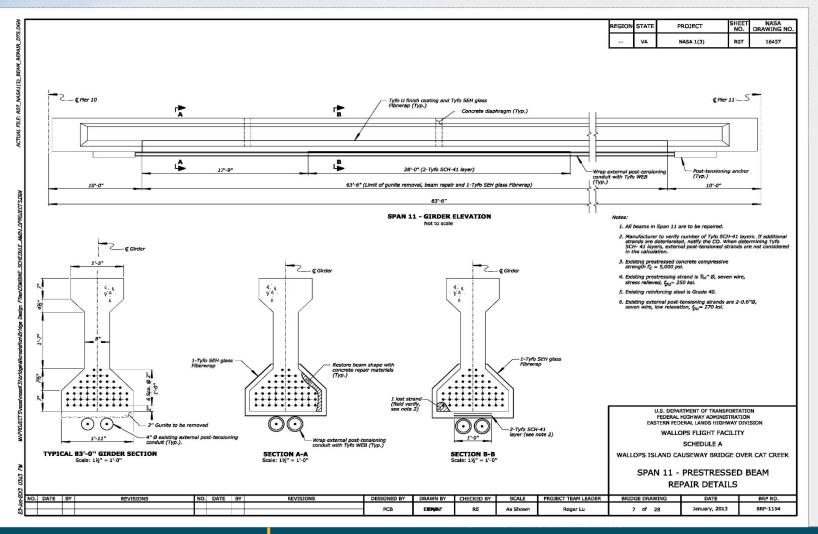
Contract Drawing – Typical Span Repair Detail

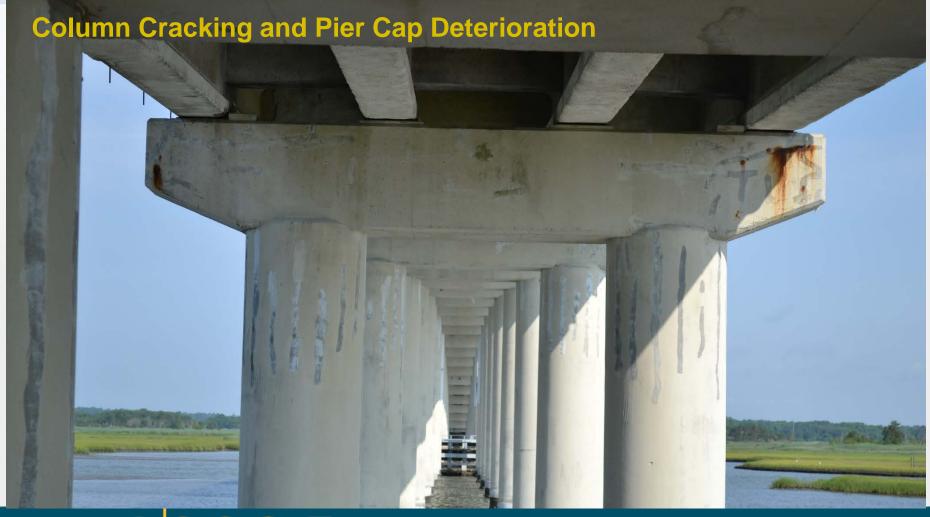


Contract Drawing – Span 8



Contract Drawing – Span 11













Preparation of Bridge Work Platform

• Installation of a temporary platform provided by Safespan Platform Systems, Inc. underneath the bridge:

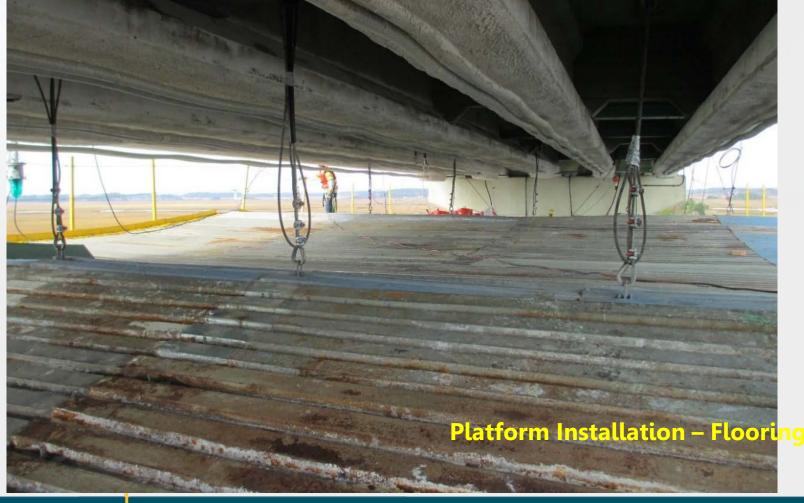


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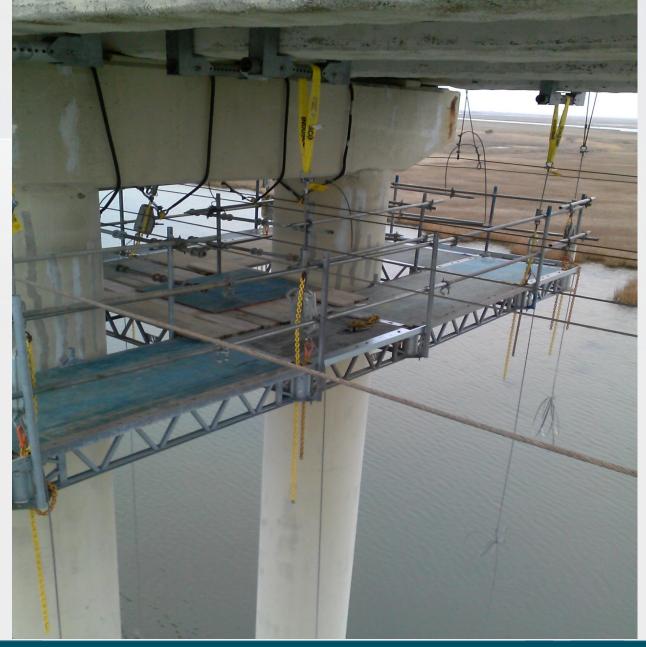
Platform Installation
- Supporting Cable installation



Preparation of Bridge Work Platform



Access Platform for Pier Cap and Column Repairs



Challenges

- Construction during winter months: Implemented a weather plan that not only made the work environment safe for our workers but also allowed us to keep temperature at recommended levels to apply and get satisfactory bonding of the CFRP/GRFP:
 - Plastic Sheeting
 - Torpedo Heaters
- Flat/Consistent Concrete Surfaces Bottom Flange
- Road & Bridge Closures Rocket launches
- Work Platform Initial set-up process

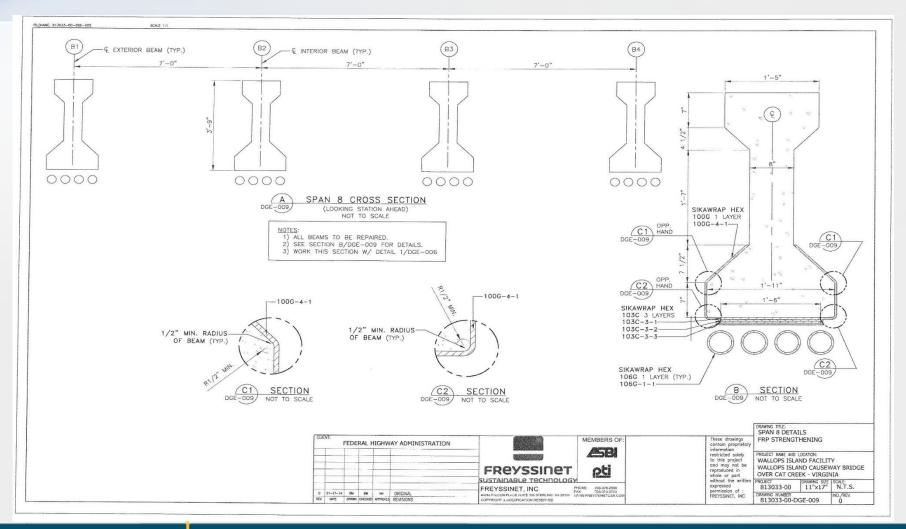
Work Platform – Access Ladders



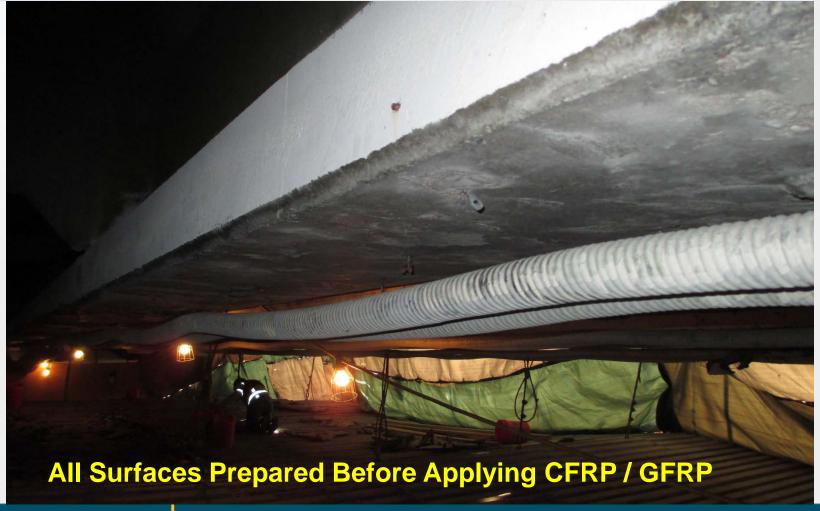
Work Platform – Winter Months



Freyssinet CFRP-GFRP Shop Drawing



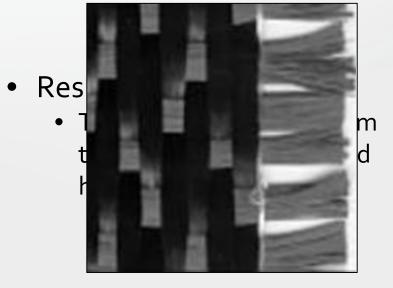






What is FRP?

- Two part System
 - Fibers
 - Carbon, Glass, Aramid





Why use FRP?

Need

- Repair deteriorated/damaged structures
- Increase load carrying capacity
- Update Structure to meet current design codes

Earlier Repair Technique
 Steel Plate

Recent Repair

Fiber Reinf

Advantages

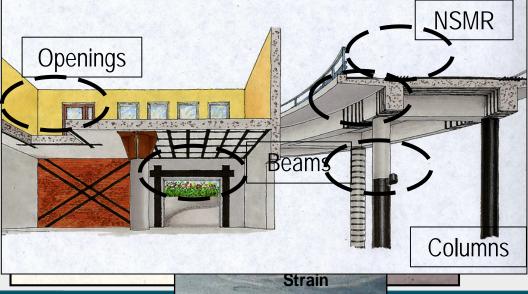
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Strength to

Resistance

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 Maintain Steady Production Rate: Work stations were located such that all repair areas were accessible at all times















Finished Repairs



After Repairs



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