Effective repair of severely deteriorated prestressed beam ends Paul Pilarski, P.E., S.E. Metro North Region Bridge Construction Engineer

MnDOT Research performed at University of Minnesota Dr. Carol Shield and Paul Bergson



PS Beam End Repair Research

- Typical concrete repair procedures
- Concerns
- Original repair project
- Research



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How are concrete repairs to bridges made?





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Step 2: Remove delaminated concrete



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Step 3: Supplement corroded reinforcement



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Step 4: Replace concrete

Shotcrete: dry cement, sand and aggregate wetted at a nozzle and sprayed at high velocity

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Common shotcrete map-crack

Shotcrete often performed without load relief or temporary support

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BR 27568 – SB Pier 34

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Durability?

"Evaluation of Repair Materials for Use in Patching Damaged Concrete" Must use compatible patch material

- Match elastic modulus
- High bond strength
- Thermal compatibility
- Compressive strength
- ➔ Must moist cure

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Durable Repairs

with FRP

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Column repairs (2014 scoping)

unsound removals

shotcrete repair with curing agent

Shrinkage cracks within year old patch

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Column repair (ICRI Doc. 310.1R)

- Sustained forces flow through remaining section of concrete and intact vertical reinforcement after removals
- Only LL and other transient forces act on repaired section unless shored during repair

• Visualize forces as truss (Strut and tie model)

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Column repair

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- External confinement maintains patch ability to sustain additional compression

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FRP wrapping for confinement and patch longevity

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Repair of Bridge 27568

US Route 169 over Nine Mile Creek

Scoped 2011-12 Contract work 2013

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Bridge 27568: Nine Mile Creek Location

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- TH 169 over
 Nine Mile Creek in
 Edina, MN
- Built by Hennepin County in 1974
- Spans over poorly drained wetland above old roadbed(s)

Structure Background

- 60' spans
- 49 Prestressed beam spans
- Prestressed concrete pile bent piers

Preservation Scoping 2011: Beam ends at joint locations

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Variety of deterioration levels

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Beam End Repairs - Small

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Beam End Repairs - Large Pier 16: Large repair - Shotcrete repair without support

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Change of Plan

Beam End Repair - Large

Michigan DOT Detail for End Repair



Michigan DOT Detail for End Repair Michigan DOT Research Report R-1373, Sept 1999

- MDOT and FHWA personnel drafted a 1999 repair procedure
- Repair procedure was performed in our laboratory on a salvaged prestressed I beam.
- Beam was load-tested
- Conclusion: Up to 1 stirrup and 12" of strands may be exposed without prestress or shear strength loss





Damage beyond Michigan Conclusions



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Box Type Repair (Large Repair)





Full DL relief can be detrimental to internal force balance!



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Other deteriorated components





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How do we assess adequacy?

- Small scale testing.
- Industry research on shotcrete bond.
- Observations during destruction.
- Monitoring for cracks and crack growth



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Other DOT's and Agencies:2015 WisDOT





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Other DOT's and Agencies: USACE



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Bridge replaced in 2017 due to high risk deterioration in piling and beams

→Opportunity!!!Research money sought and awarded:

Verify beam repair restored strength to original capacity or better



Beam End Research

- Salvage 2 repaired beams
- Salvage 2 unrepaired beams
- Load test all four record crack patterns and failure progression
- Compare strength



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Beam End Research

Hurdles:

- Sawcut to suitable length for U of M Civil Engineering Laboratory
- \$35K salvage and transport estimate from contractor of new causeway
- Cast narrow 10,000 psi deck on beams (Required to ensure a failure in the beam end rather than center)



Salvage and Transport







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Girders at lab









Cast 10,000 psi narrow deck in lab





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Experimental Setup

- 36'-1.5" span, original bearing pads at original CL bearing
- Load applied at 13'-3" from end





Experimental Setup

- External shear stirrup system to prevent cut end failure
- 50 kips initial load
- Displacement controlled loading (0.06"/minute)
- Stop at 25 kips increments to map cracks





Made by Paul Pilarski, MnDOT Bridge Office

•Peak load = 465 kips •1st flexural crack = 300 kips •1st web shear crack = 325 kips •Peak load = 451 kips •1st flexural crack = 275 kips •1st web shear crack = 350 kips



Girder P4 and Girder P2 Results



AASHTO LRFD predicts V_n=204 kips

Girder P4 (Repaired)

- Vu LL = 302 kips
- Vu DL= 14 kips (at closest stirrup failure to girder end)

Girder P2 (unrepaired)

- Vu LL= 293 kips
- Vu DL = 12 kips (at closest stirrup failure to girder end)

Girder P26 (repaired)

- Vu LL = 323 kips
- Vu DL= 14 kips (at closest stirrup failure to girder end)

Girder P24 (unrepaired)

- Vu LL= 320 kips
- Vu DL = 12 kips (at closest stirrup failure to girder end)



Beam End Repair Cost

- 2013 Beam end shotcrete surface repair- EACH beam end, *not* square foot area. Bid cost = \$755.
 →Included bearing jacking cost
- 2017 Shotcrete repairs typically \$160/SF Beam End "Reconstruction"
- 2013 by S.A. \$5.5K Each (Qty = 2)
- 2016 by S.A. \$12.5K Each (Qty = 2)
- 2017 by contract \$10,000 Each (Qty=5)
- → Shoring extra



Thanks are due!

- MnDOT Research Services
- Ames Construction
- U of M Civil Engr. Dept.
- Eden Prairie Bridge Maintenance
- David Kogler, GV Bridge inspector
- PCI Roads (Repair Contractor)





PS Beam End Repair Testing

Questions?

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