Preserving, Protecting, and Strengthening our Nation's Bridge Decks with UHPC

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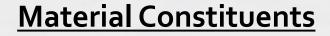
UHPC: Ultra-High Performance Concrete

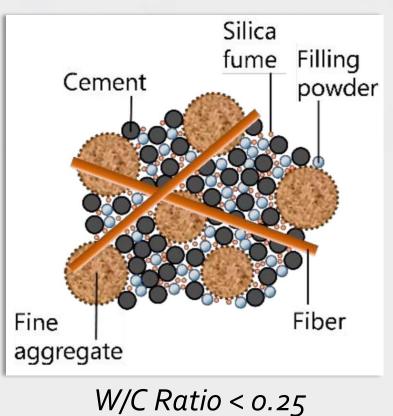
Output UBPC is a cementitious composite material composed of an optimized gradation of granular constituents, a water-to-cementitious materials ratio less than 0.25, and a high percentage of discontinuous internal fiber reinforcement. The mechanical properties of UHPC include compressive strength greater than 21.7 ksi (150 MPa) and sustained post-cracking tensile strength greater than 0.72 ksi (5 MPa). **FHWA**



UHPC PROPERTIES

Property	Value			
Unit weight	158 lb/ft ³ (2,535 kg/m ³)			
Modulus of elasticity	7,500–8,500 ksi (52–59 GPa)			
Compressive strength	25–32 ksi (170–220 MPa)			
Post-cracking tensile strength	1.0–1.5 ksi (7.0–10.3 MPa)			
Chloride ion penetrability (ASTM C1202-12) ⁽⁴⁾	Very low to negligible			





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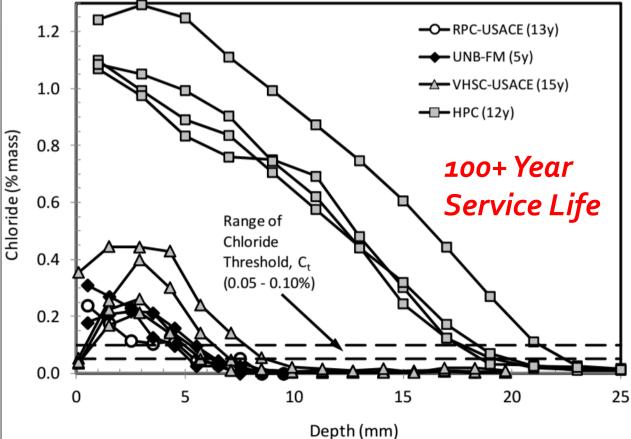
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Chloride & Freeze/Thaw Resistance



In 2006 – Rebar at 10-mm (3/8-inch) cover removed from one of the 10-year-old beams

Comparison of Chloride Profiles for UHPC and HPC



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UHPC COVER REQUIREMENTS

 Table 4.202 — Values of minimum cover c_{min,dur} requirements with regard to durability for reinforcement

 steel compliant with EN 10080

Environmental requirement for c _{min,dur} (mm)								
Structural class	Exposure class according to Table 4.1							
	XO	XC1	XC2/XC3	XC4	XD1/XS1	XD2/XS2	XD3/XS3	
S1		5	5	10	10	15	15	
S2		5	10	10	15	15	20	
S3	-	5	10	15	15	20	20	
S4		10	15	15	20	20	20	
S5		10	15	20	20	20	25	
S6		15	20	20	20	25	25	





BRIDGE DECK DAMAGE





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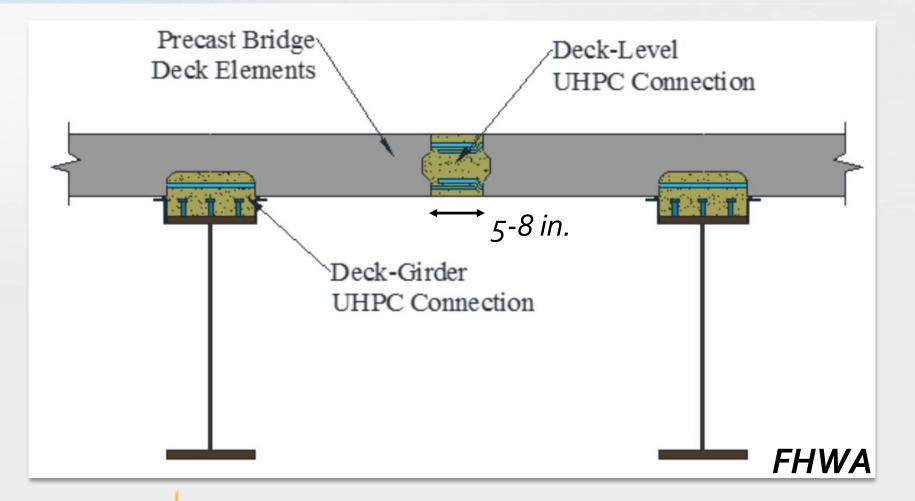
TYPICAL DETERIORATION MECHANISMS



Cracking (shrinkage, ASR, loading) **Spalling** (freeze/thaw, carbonation, corrosion) **Corrosion** (chloride/acid penetration)

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PBE + UHPC CONNECTIONS





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FHWA PUBLICATIONS – UHPC CONNECTIONS



TECHNOTE **Design and Construction of** Field-Cast UHPC Connections

FHWA Publication No: FHWA-HRT-14-084

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Introduction

Advancements in the science of concrete materials have led to the development of a new class of cementitious composites called ultra-high performance concrete (UHPC). UHPC exhibits mechanical and durability properties that make it an ideal candidate for use in developing new solutions to pressing concerns about highway infrastructure deterioration, repair, and replacement.^(1,2) Field-cast UHPC details connecting prefabricated structural elements used for bridge construction have proven to be an application that has captured the attention of owners, specifiers, and contractors across the country. These connections can be simpler to construct and can provide more robust long-term performance than connections constructed through conventional methods.⁽³⁾ This document provides guidance on the design and deployment of field-cast UHPC connections.

UHPC

UHPC is a fiber-reinforced, portland cementbased product with advantageous fresh and hardened properties. Through the appropriate combination of advancements in superplasticizers, dry constituent gradation, fiber reinforcements, and supplemental cementitious materials, UHPC is able to deliver performance that far exceeds conventional concrete Developed in the late 20th century, this

¹The tensile behavior of UHPC may generally be defined as "strain-hardening," a broad term defining concretes in which the sustained post-cracking strength provided by the fiber reinforcement is greater than the committious matrix cracking strength. Note that the post cracking tensile strength and strain capacity of UHPC is highly dependent on the type, quantity, dispersion, and orientation of the internal fibe

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Construction Engineer Inspection

class of concrete has emerged as a capable

replacement for conventional structural materials

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)

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post-cracking tensile strength greater than 0.72 ksi (5 MPa).1 UHPC has a discontinuous

pore structure that reduces liquid ingress,

significantly enhancing durability compared

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in a variety of applications.

defines UHPC as follows:

to conventional concrete.⁽²⁾

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Specifying UHPC

Case Study

Deployments

Guidance

The minimum embedment length of deformed steel reinforcement, ℓ_d , shall be taken as 8d for No. 8 bar and smaller with f, (yield strength of reinforcing bars) less than or equal to 75 ksi (517 MPa) when the following conditions are met:

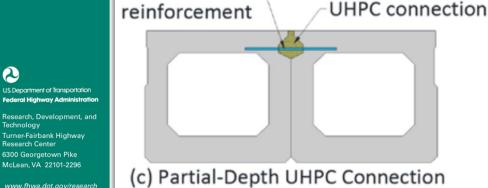
 Field-cast UHPC with 2-percent (by volume) steel fiber reinforcement and a compressive strength of at least 14 ksi (97 MPa).

• Cover $\geq 3d_{h}$.

For lap splices of straight lengths of deformed steel reinforcement, the lap-splice length, $\ell_{\rm s}$, shall be at least 0.75ℓ_d.

 \clubsuit Embedment > 8d_h \therefore Lap Splice > 0.75 x 8d_b

TECHBRIEF Adjacent Box Beam **Connections:** Performance and Optimization FHWA Publication No.: FHWA-HRT-17-094 Ben Graybeal, HRDI-40, (202) 493-3122, benjamin.graybeal@ dot.gov. This document is a technical summary of the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) report, Box Beam Bridges: Testing of Conventional Grout and Ultra-High Performance Concrete Connection Details (FHWA-HRT-17-093).(1) Introduction Precast, prestressed concrete adjacent box beams are widely used in short- and medium-span bridges in the United States. However, a recurring issue with this type of bridge is the deterioration of shear key connections resulting in substandard performance of the overall bridge system This Embedded 2 U.S. Department of Transportation



provide specific guidance for the design or construction of

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LAFARGE

f_{Utek} 1,160 psi 8.0 MPa

0.38%

18 ksi

E.tm 6,500 ksi

f_{Utuk}

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fuek

1,300 psi 9.0 MPa

120 MPa

45 GPa





For overlays, the rheology must be adjusted from self-leveling to rheo-thinning behavior (thixotropic)

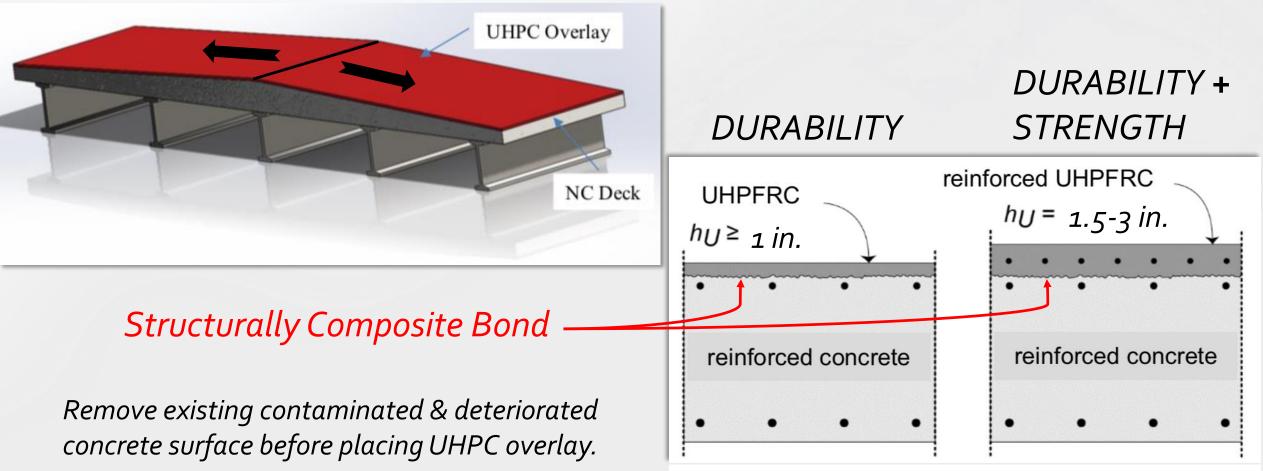








UHPC OVERLAY CONCEPT



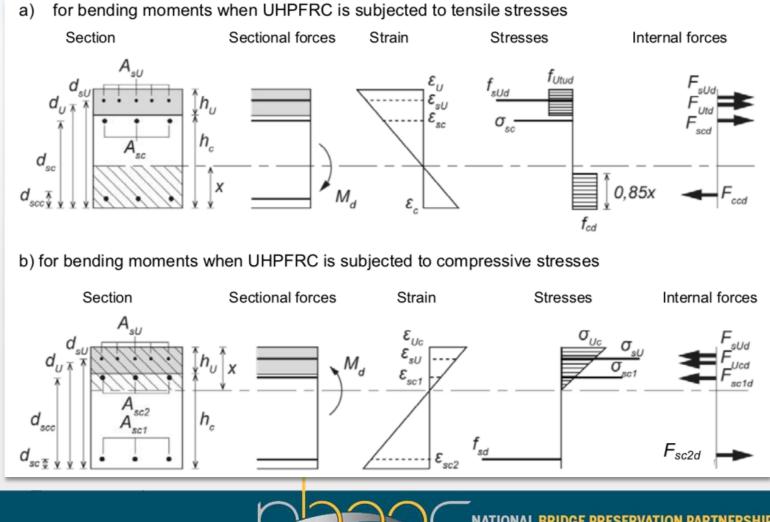
Basic configurations of the UHPFRC-concrete composite construction method







UHPC DESIGN



Recommendation:

Ultra-High Performance Fibre Reinforced Cement-based composites (UHPFRC)

Construction material, dimensioning und application

English translation of the Technical Leaflet SIA 2052 with adaptations

For internal use

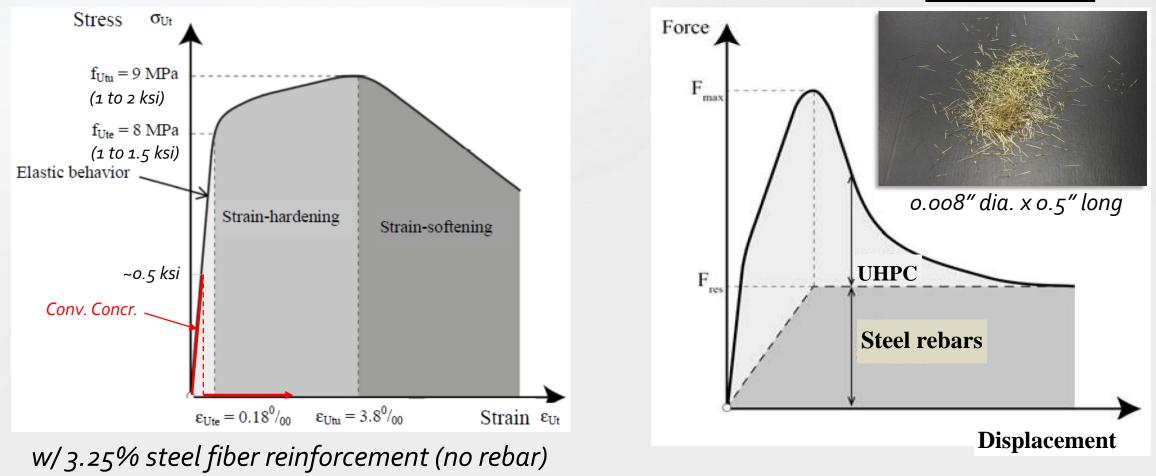
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TENSILE BEHAVIOR

Steel Fibers





PUBLICATIONS – UHPC OVERLAY



TECHNOTE

Ultra-High Performance Concrete for Bridge Deck Overlays

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Introduction

There is urgent need for effective and durable rehabilitation solutions for deteriorated highway bridge decks. Deck deterioration is commonly caused by a combination of vehicle loading, freeze-thaw degradation, cracking, delamination of cover concrete, and/or corrosion of internal reinforcement. Deteriorated bridge decks are commonly rehabilitated using overlays depending on the cause of deck deterioration, available budget, and desired service life of the rehabilitated structure. Common overlay materials include conventional concretes, highperformance concretes (HPCs), latex-modified concretes (LMCs), asphalt with waterproofing membranes, and polymer-based materials. The performance objectives of bridge deck overlays include protecting the underlying deck and reinforcement from contaminates, providing additional strength and stiffness to the deck system, and extending the service life of the overall structure.

One emerging solution for bridge deck rehabilitation is thin, bonded ultra-high

US.Department of Transportation Federal Highway Administration performance concrete (UHPC) overlays. As an overlay material, UHPC can provide both structural strengthening and protection from ingress of contaminates using a 1-inch (25-mm) to 2-inch (51-mm) layer of material. This minimizes required material volume and can minimize additional dead load on the bridge structure compared with some traditional overlay solutions. The concept and use of UHPC ovverlays has been researched in Europe and has been deployed on more than 20 European bridges.⁽¹⁾

This TechNote introduces UHPC as a potential solution for bridge deck overlays. A brief review of the history and development of UHPC is presented, followed by a summary of the properties that make UHPC a viable overlay solution. A laboratory investigation on the tensile bond strength of a UHPC specially formulated for overlay applications is then presented. This investigation provides a comparison between UHPC and LMC overlays using different substrate materials and surface preparations. Lastly, this TechNote highlights the findings of a field study and subsequent

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Field Testing of an Ultra-High Performance Concrete Overlay

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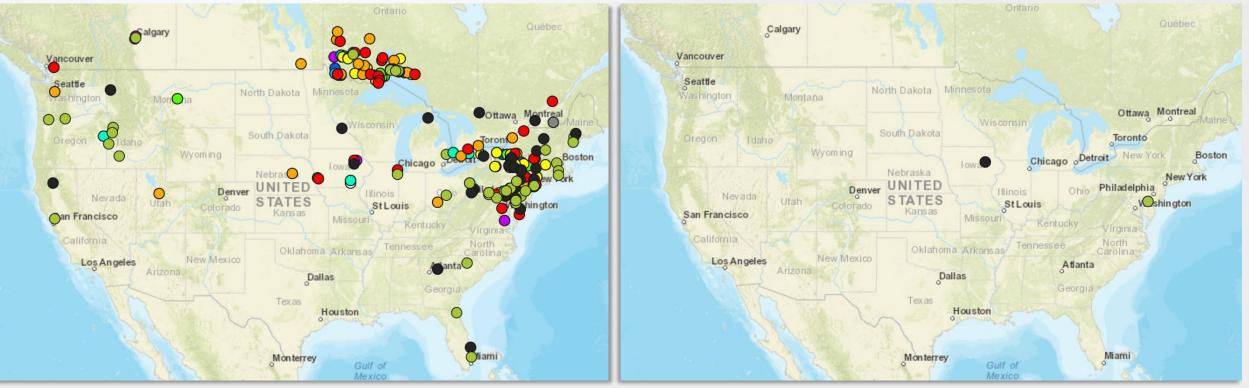




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COMPLETED UHPC BRIDGE PROJECTS

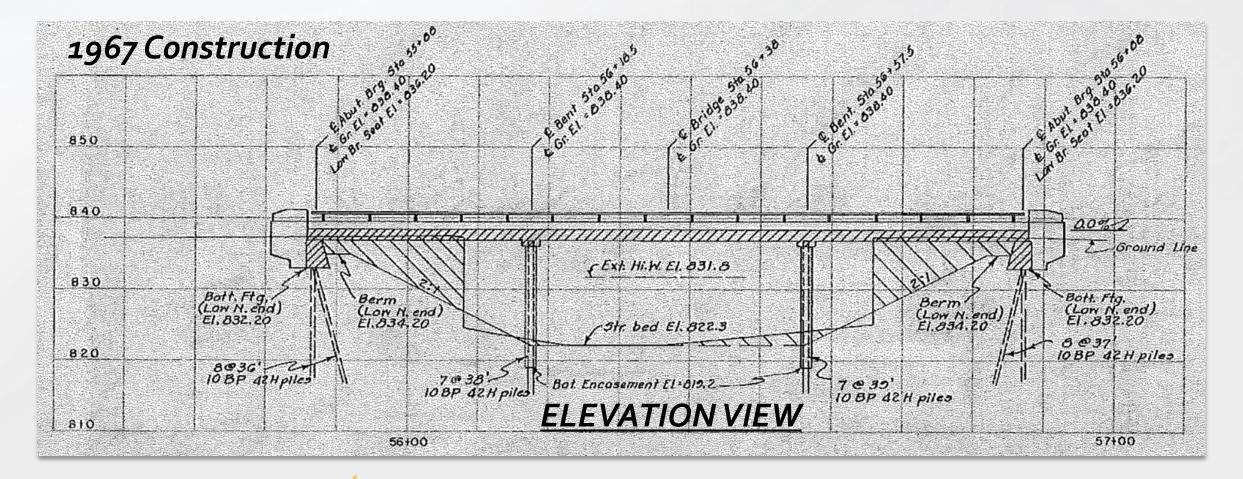


All UHPC Applications (200+)

UHPC Overlay (2)



MUD CREEK BRIDGE, IOWA





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EXISTING BRIDGE

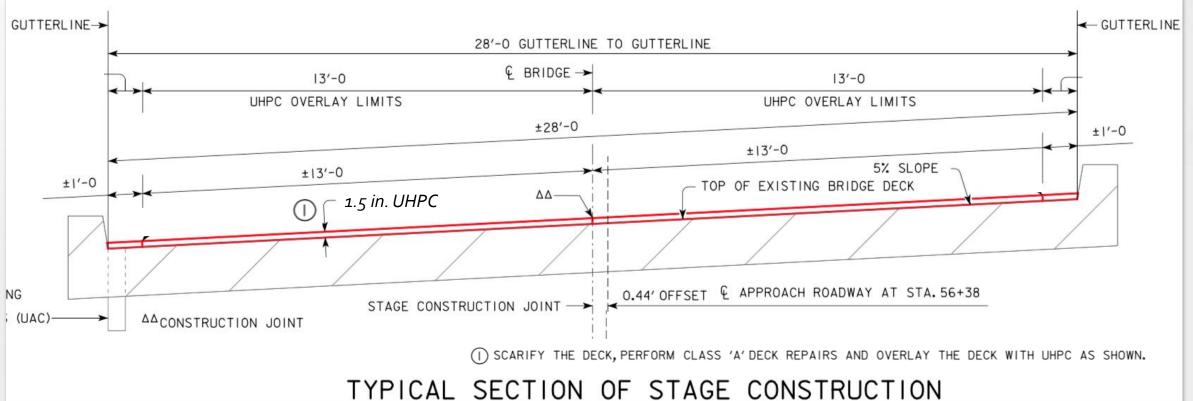


3-Span, 102' Long

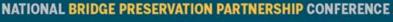


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PROPOSED UHPC OVERLAY REHAB



TYPICAL SECTION OF STAGE CONSTRUCTION



PRE-CONSTRUCTION MOCK-UP





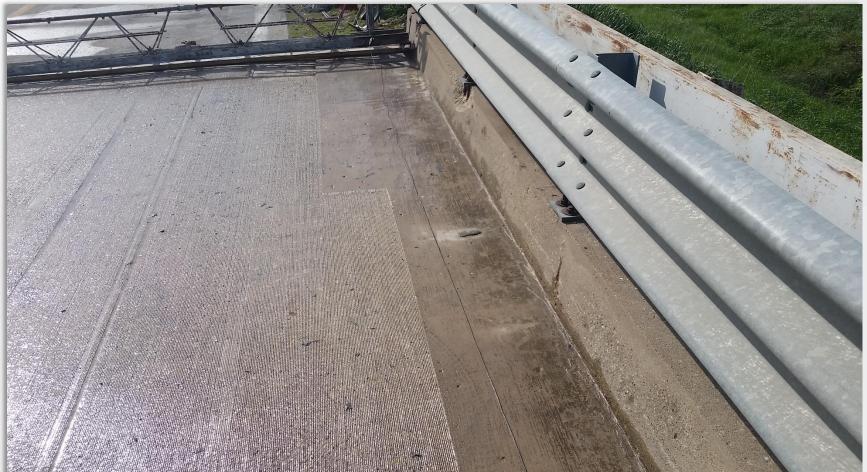
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Preparing for UHPC Placement

SURFACE PREP

- Roughened Surface
 - Milling
 - Hydro Demolition
- Saturated Surface



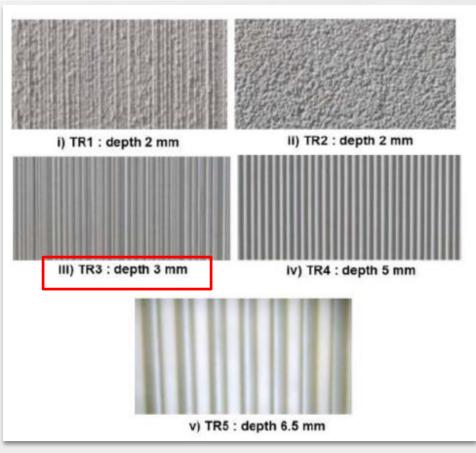




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ROUGHENED SURFACE





Study by Iowa State University



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ON-SITE MIXING





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On-Site QC Testing

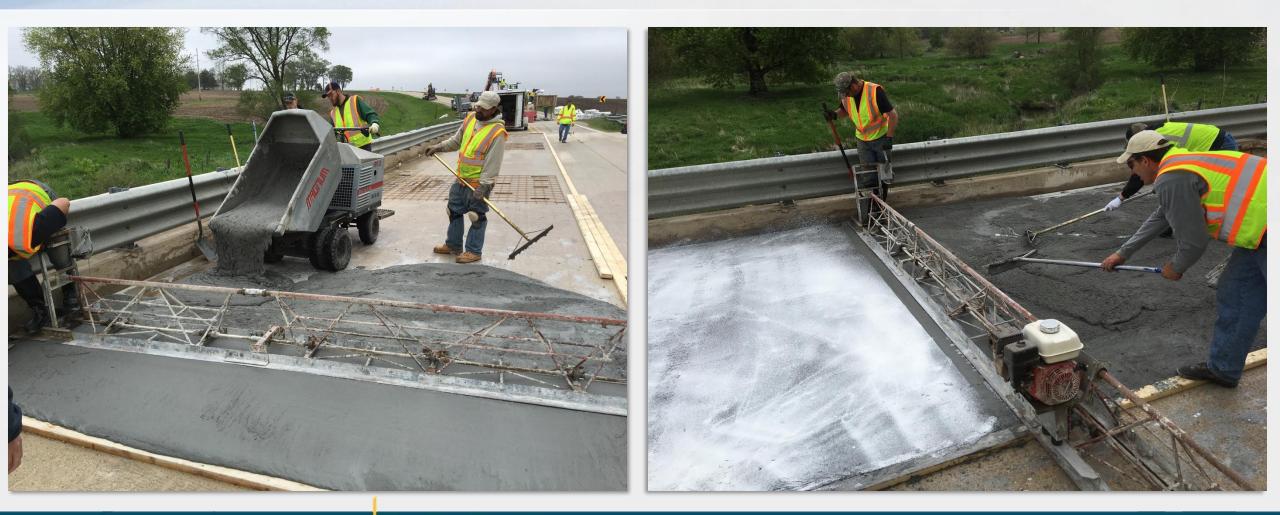






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MATERIAL PLACEMENT





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CURING – STAGE I





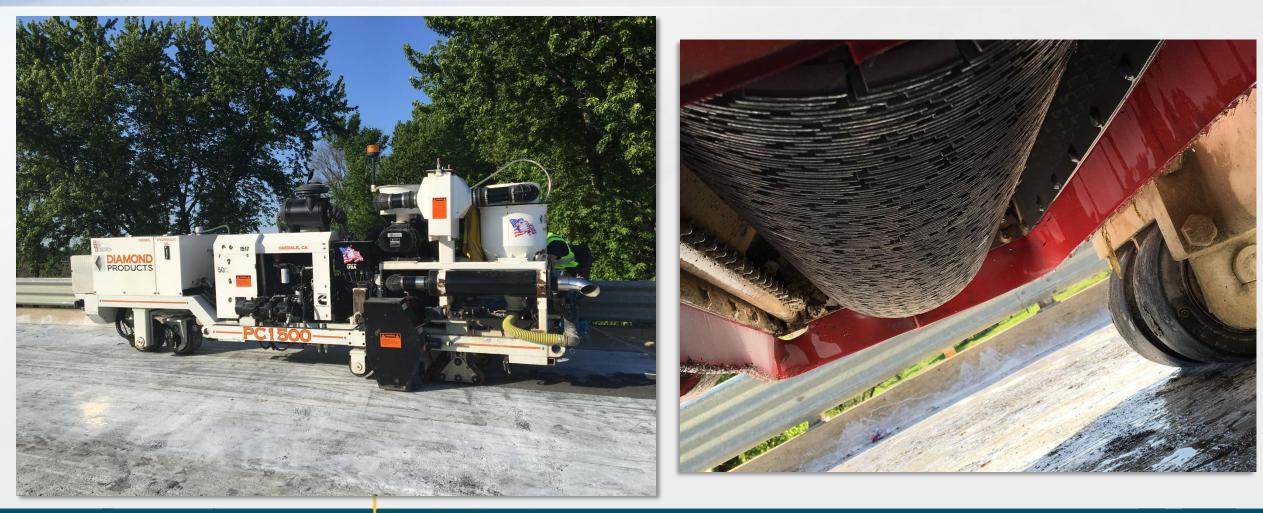
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SURFACE GRINDING



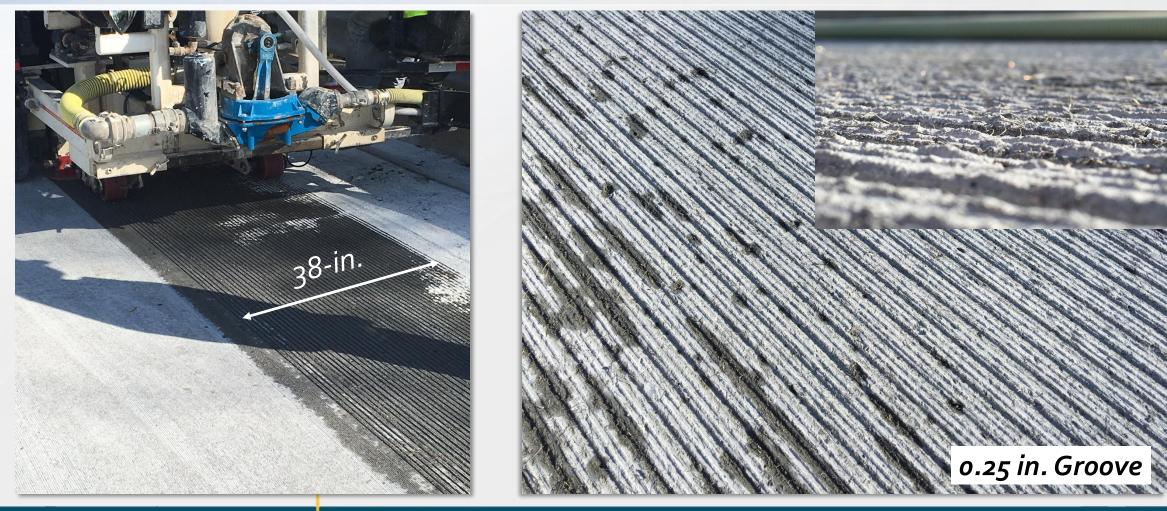


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SURFACE GROOVING





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o.25-in. Milled Surface

w/ 0.25-in. Grooved Finish

RIDING SURFACE – 1 YR LATER





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COMPLETED BRIDGE



Project Stats

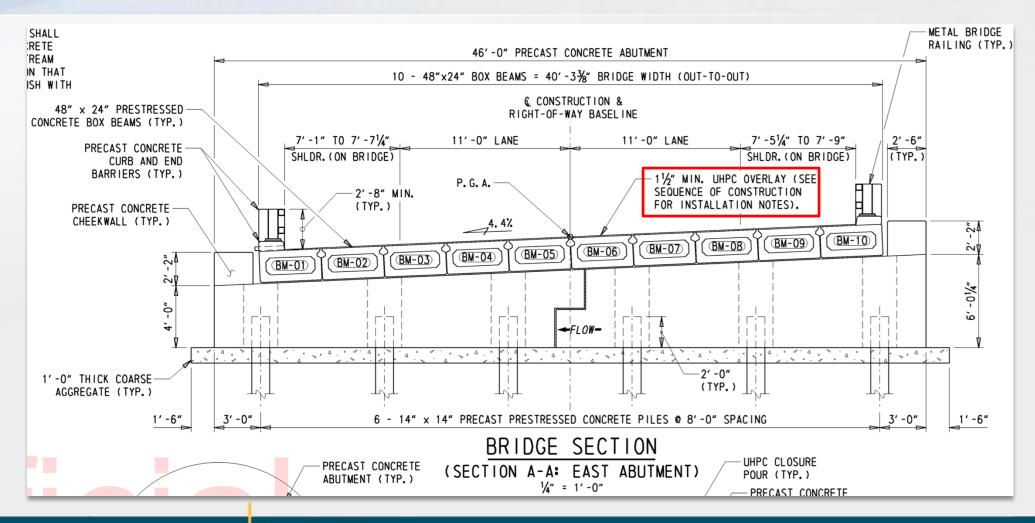
102' L x 28' W Superstructure = 2,856 SF of Bridge Deck ➢ 16 CY of UHPC for Overlay > 1.75 in. thick UHPC overlay w/ 0.25 in. grind + 0.25 in. groove Increased Negative Moment Capacity of Bridge by 33% Increased Positive Moment Capacity of Bridge by 16%



BLACKBIRD CREEK BRIDGE, DELAWARE

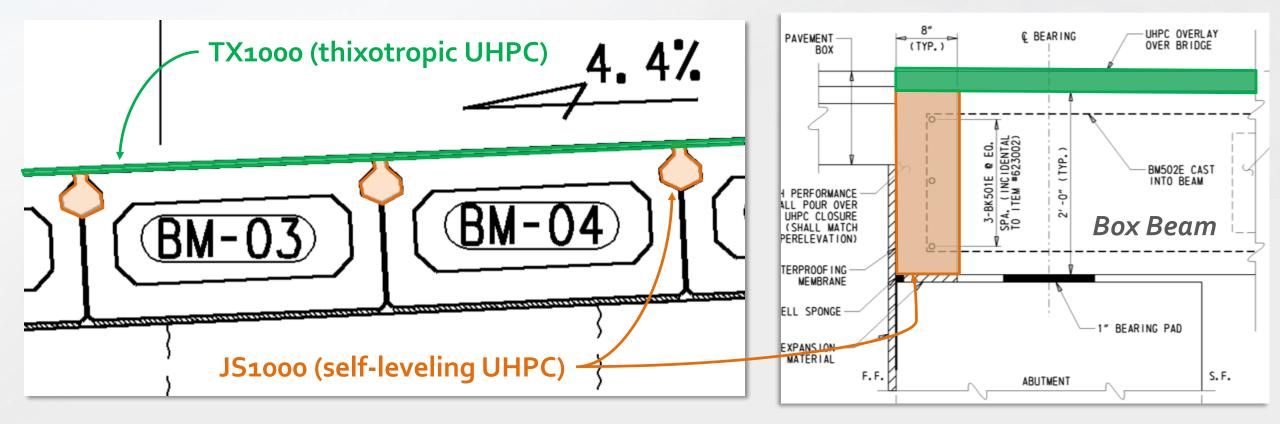
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PROPOSED SUPERSTRUCTURE



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UHPC APPLICATIONS

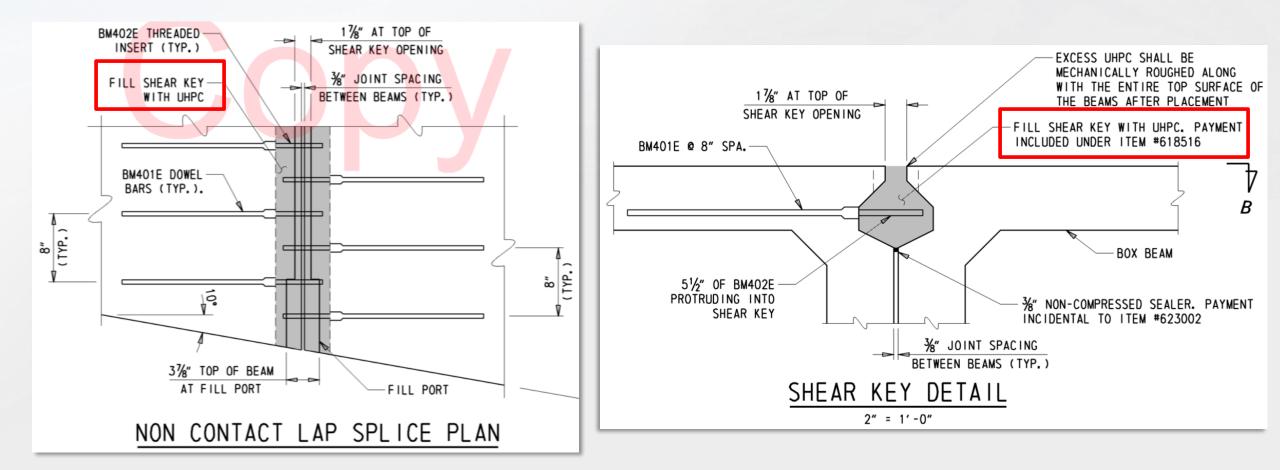


PARTIAL SECTION VIEW

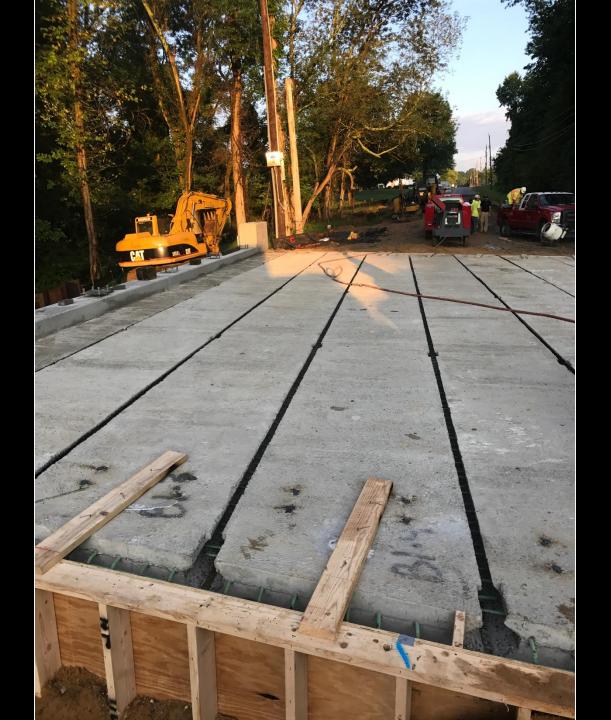
ELEVATION END VIEW

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JOINT DETAIL



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PRE-CONSTRUCTION MOCK-UP





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SURFACE PREPARATION





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Two 0.65 Cubic Yard (0.5 CM) Capacity High-Shear Mixers Max. Output = 4 CY per Hour





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CURE UNDER PLASTIC FOR 2-3 DAYS Poured August 24, 2017

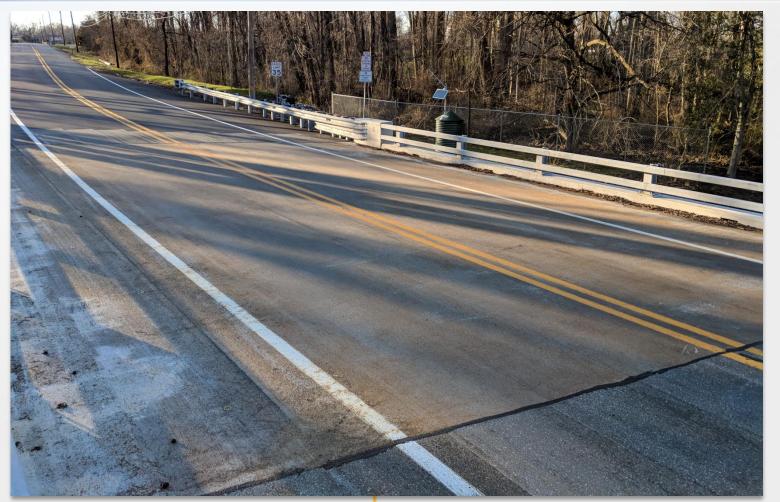
FINAL UHPC RIDING SURFACE





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COMPLETED BRIDGE

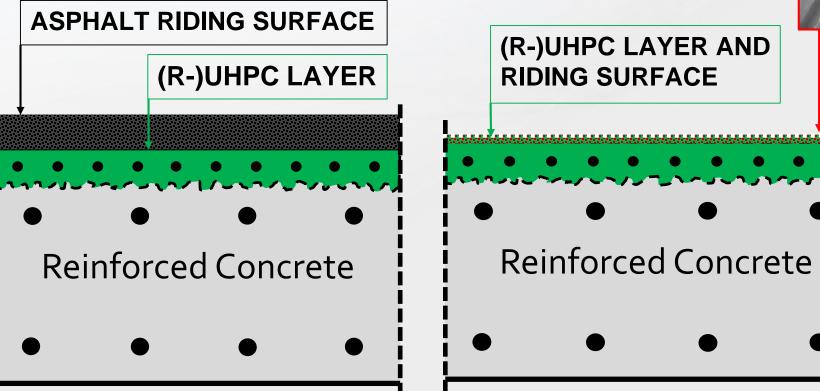


Project Stats

- 52' L x 40' W Superstructure = 2,080 SF of Bridge Deck
- 8 CY UHPC for joints and b.w.
 10 CY UHPC for overlay
- 1.75 in. Overlay w/ 0.25 in. Mill
 Overlay Bid = ~\$9,500 / CY
 - = \$44 per SF
- Pricey!? Yes...but cost will come down as more projects develop.
- And remember...you are investing in a maintenance-free deck for the LIFE of the bridge.

SOLUTIONS FOR RIDING SURFACE

EU-VERSION





LONGITUDINAL GROOVES ON THE SURFACE ALLOW FOR TRACTION, SAFETY, AND NOISE REDUCTION.

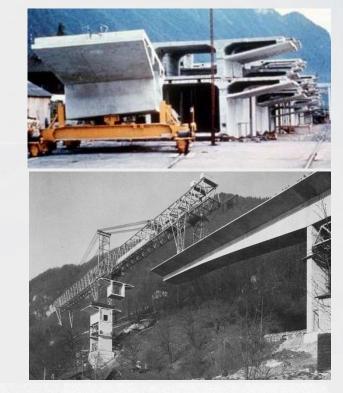
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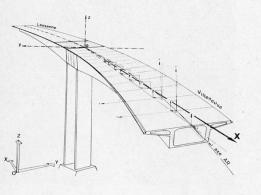
CHILLON VIADUCTS, SWITZERLAND



- Two 1.3 miles long bridges (spans between 302 and 341 ft.)
- Built in the 1960s (Monument) by prestressed segmental construction with epoxy-glued joints
- Vital to transportation infrastructure







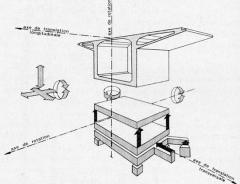


Fig. 11. — Portique à géométrie variable. Définition des systèmes d'axes.

Fig. 12. — Portique à géométrie variable. Principe d'orientation d'un voussoir-moule.



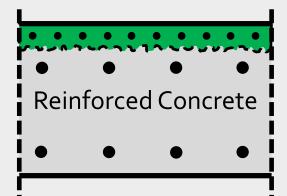
BRIDGE EVALUATION

- Expert Evaluation in 2011:
 - Structural capacity of the bridge deck was at service load
 - Main failure: punching of wheel loads through 7 in. thin deck slab
- Further investigations in 2012:
 - o early signs of alkali-aggregate reaction (AAR)
 - deterioration of concrete compressive strength
 - insufficient structural safety at ULS and unacceptable performance under service loads

Possible Solutions

- 1. Demolition and rebuild of historic structure (expensive)
- 2. Conventional concrete rehabilitation (increase in dead load)
- 3. Extensive external prestressing (not possible AAR)
- UHPC layer to strengthen the bridges capacity by approximately 40% and increase durability of structure







R-UHP(FR)C REPAIR SOLUTION

1.6 – 2 inch UHPC layer

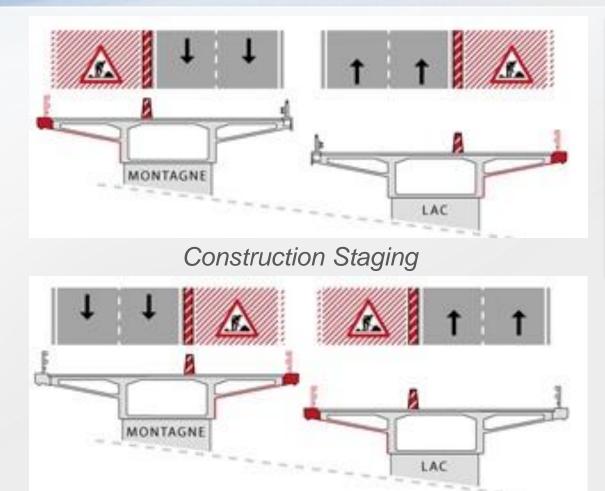
(with rebars in the transverse direction and in the longitudinal direction only in the area of hogging (i.e. negative) moments)

- strengthening of deck slab in the transverse direction: bending, shear and fatigue
- increase in stiffness and strength in the longitudinal direction
- waterproofing of slab (slow down the rate of AAR by protecting concrete from water ingress)

Reinforced Concrete

no increase in dead load 120 485 485 120 lower intervention cost thickness = 1.6"-2" **R-UHPC** joint short duration (ABC) rebars longitudinal transverse tension chord sagging hogging hogging sagging hogging [cm]

PHASE I – CURB and GIRDER RESTORATION



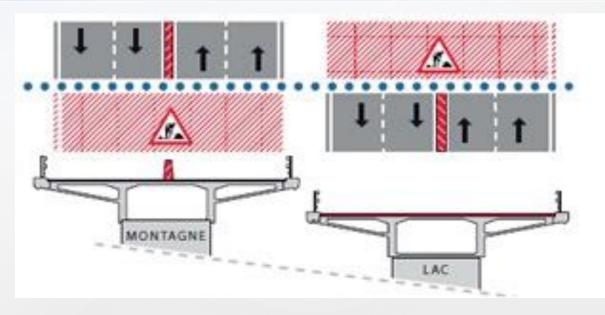






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PHASE II – ROADWAY PAVING with UHPC



Construction Staging



Bridge to stay open to traffic at all times (only partial closing)



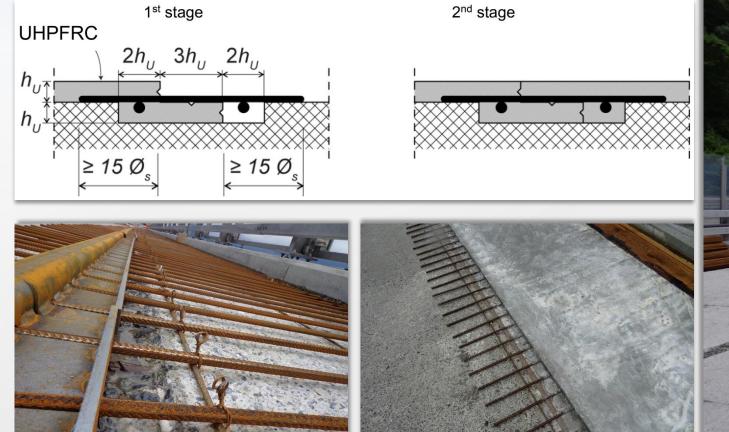
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UHPC CONSTRUCTION JOINT





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PROJECT SUMMARY

- 50,000 m² 550,000 ft²
- 3,200 cy (2400 m³) of UHPFRC (**DUCTAL**®)
- Maximum daily output 120 cy (92 m³)
- Duration: 2 x 30 days (2014 & 2015)
- Intervention Cost ≈ 230 \$/m² ≈ 22 \$/ft²
- Additional repair on deck underside with conventional shotcrete



Bond Behavior UHPC-NSC





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UHPC ON-SITE BATCHING PLANT



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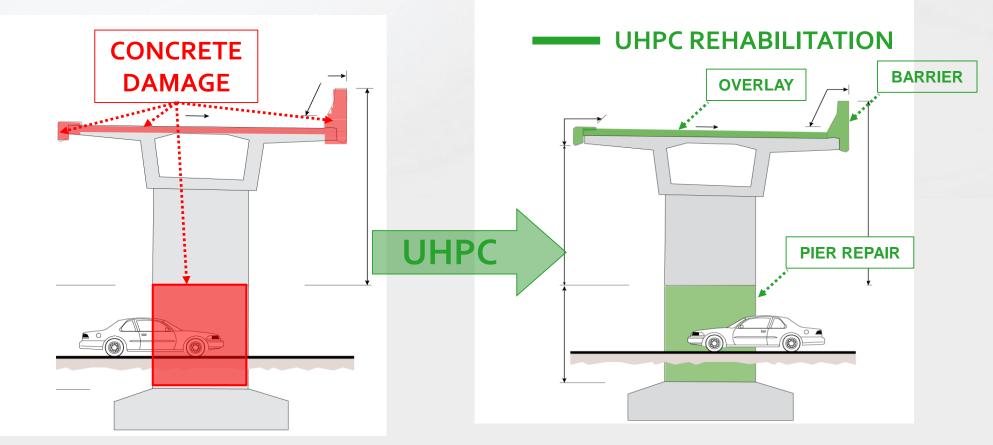
UHPC BATCH PLANT





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UHPC REHABILIATION STRATEGY

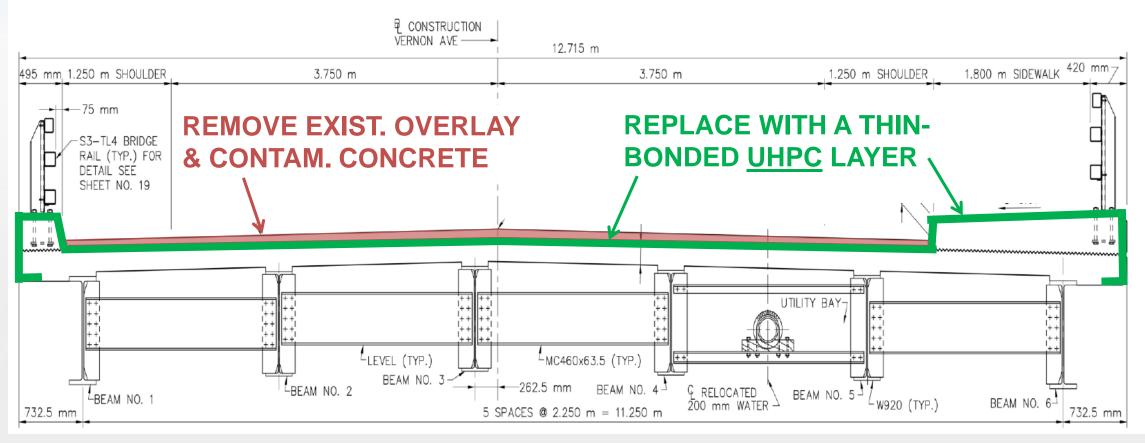


Increase structural capacity of bridges in a faster and more cost-efficient way!



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REPAIR EXAMPLE – STEEL GIRDER BRIDGE

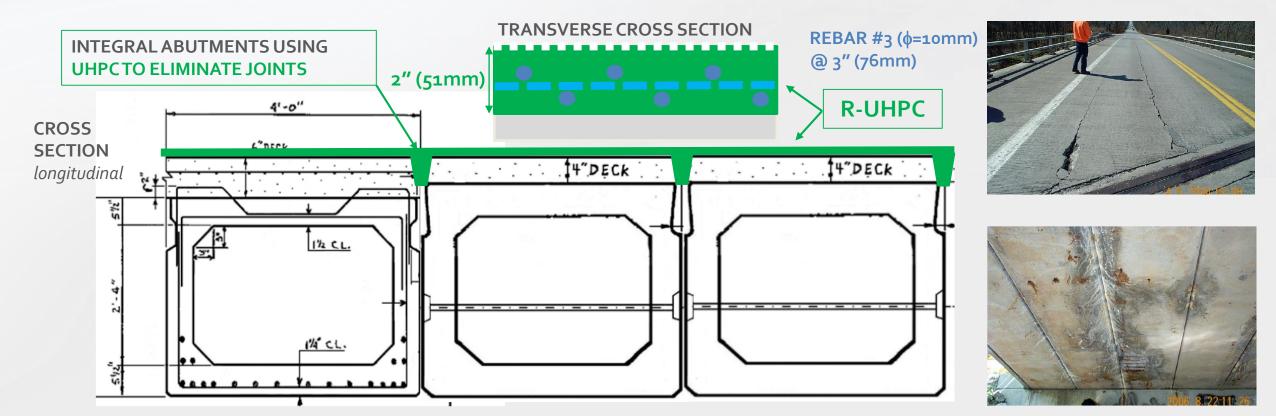


UHPC for the rehabilitation of steel or prestressed concrete girder bridges



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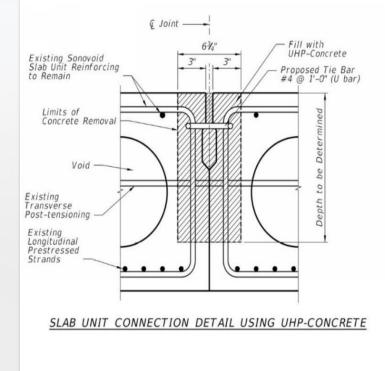
REPAIR EXAMPLE – BOX GIRDER BRIDGE



UHPC for the rehabilitation of hollow box girder bridges



Florida Voided Slab Joint Repair



Florida DOT Rehabilitation of SR-714 at Danforth Creek in Fall 2016





COST COMPARISON

Table 1. Approximate cost of different overlay solutions compared with bridge deck replacement.		
Overlay Type	Overlay Thickness, Inches (mm)	Cost, \$/ft² (\$/m²)
HPC*	1–5 (25–127)	17–25 (183–269)
Low slump concrete*	1.5–4 (38–102)	13–19 (140–204)
LMC*	1–5 (25–127)	18–39 (193–419)
Asphalt with a membrane*	1.5–4 (38–102)	3–8 (32–86)
Polymer-based*	0.13–6 (3–152)	10–17 (107–183)
Non-proprietary UHPC	1–2 (25–52)	3–6 (32–64)†
Proprietary UHPC	1–2 (25–52)	9–18 (97–184)‡
Rehabilitation of the Chillon Viaduct (Switzerland) using a proprietary UHPC overlay	1.6 (40)**	20 (215)**
Bridge deck replacement*	n/a	43–53 (462–570)

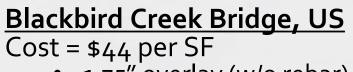
*Data collected from Krauss et al. (2009).⁽⁵⁾ The costs shown reflect average values from low and high ranges.

**Data collected from Brühwiler et al. (2015).⁽⁷⁾ Price reflects cost of material and installation.

†Price reflects material cost only, assumes UHPC cost of \$1,000 per cubic yard.

Price reflects material cost only, assumes UHPC cost of \$3,000 per cubic yard.

n/a = not applicable.



- 1.75" overlay (w/o rebar)
 10 cubic yards of UHPC
- 2,080 SF[']Bridge Deck

Chillon Viaduct, SUI

- Cost = \$22 per SF
 - 1.8" avg. overlay (w/ rebar)
 - 3,200 cubic yards of UHPC
 - 550,000 SF Bridge Deck

Future Projects

Cost = \$25-40 per SF ?? Depends on overlay thickness and size of project (i.e. deck area)



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		Ultra-high Performance Concrete for Bridge Deck Overlays Zachary Haber, Federal Highway Administration
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> performance concrete (UHPC) overlays, As an overlay material, UHPC can provide both

> overlay solution. A laboratory investigation on

presented. This investigation provides a

comparison between UHPC and LMC overlays

Introduction

There is urgent need for effective and durable rehabilitation solutions for deteriorated structural strengthening and protection from highway bridge decks. Deck deterioration ingress of contaminates using a 1-inch (25-mm) is commonly caused by a combination of to 2-inch (51-mm) layer of material. This vehicle loading, freeze-thaw degradation, minimizes required material volume and can cracking, delamination of cover concrete, minimize additional dead load on the bridge and/or corrosion of internal reinforcement. structure compared with some traditional Deteriorated bridge decks are commonly overlay solutions. The concept and use of UHPC rehabilitated using overlays depending on overlays has been researched in Europe and the cause of deck deterioration, available has been deployed on more than 20 European budget, and desired service life of the bridges." rehabilitated structure. Common overlay This TechNote introduces UHPC as a potential materials include conventional concretes, high-solution for bridge deck overlays. A brief performance concretes (HPCs), latex-modified review of the history and development of concretes (LMCs), asphalt with waterproofing UHPC is presented, followed by a summary membranes, and polymer-based materials. The of the properties that make UHPC a viable performance objectives of bridge deck overlays include protecting the underlying deck and the tensile bond strength of a UHPC specially reinforcement from contaminates, providing formulated for overlay applications is then additional strength and stiffness to the deck system, and extending the service life of the overall structure.

using different substrate materials and surface One emerging solution for bridge deck preparations. Lastly, this TechNote highlights rehabilitation is thin, bonded ultra-high the findings of a field study and subsequent

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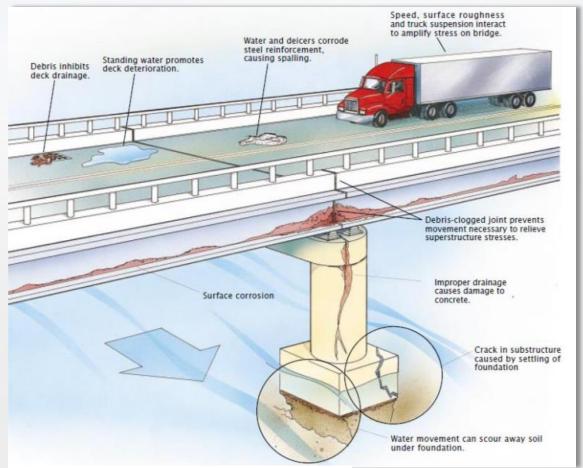
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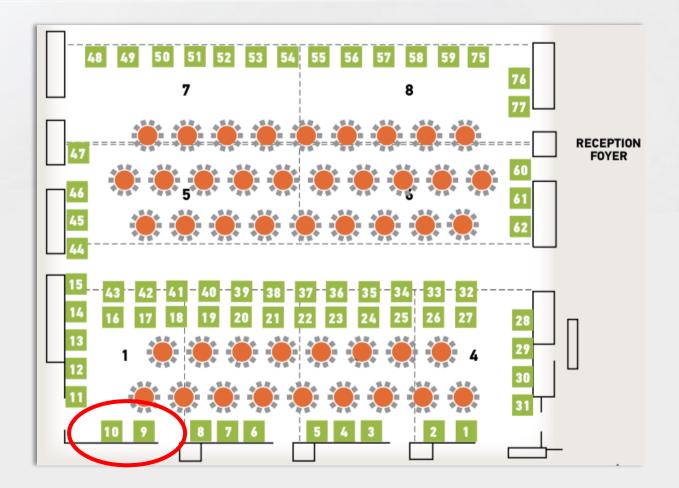
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