



New Bridge Design and Construction: The Missing Element of Bridge Preservation

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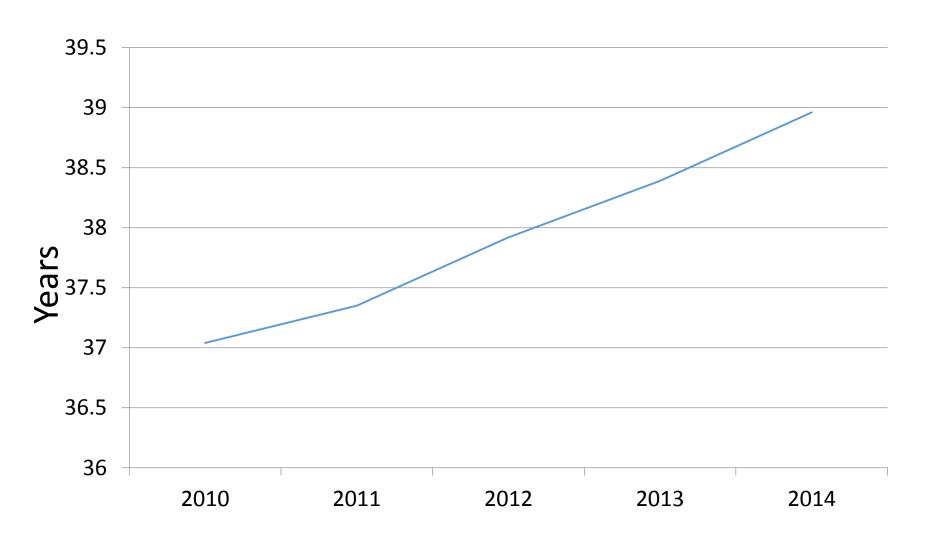
Bridge Action Categories (FHWA)



Better Design to Assist Bridge Preservation

- Why do we need better bridge design
- Material options
- Practices
- Proposed actions steps for TSP2/SCOM to promote better performing bridges

Average Age of KYTC Bridges



Why Do We Need Better Performing New Bridges?

- Bridge inventories will increase and age
- Resources will be further strained
- New (Replacement) bridges must not add to the maintenance burden

Better Performing New Bridges

- Not "Zero Maintenance" bridges
- Goals
 - Eliminate the need conditionbased maintenance for 75 years
 - Minimize the cyclical maintenance requirements

Affordability of Alternative Materials



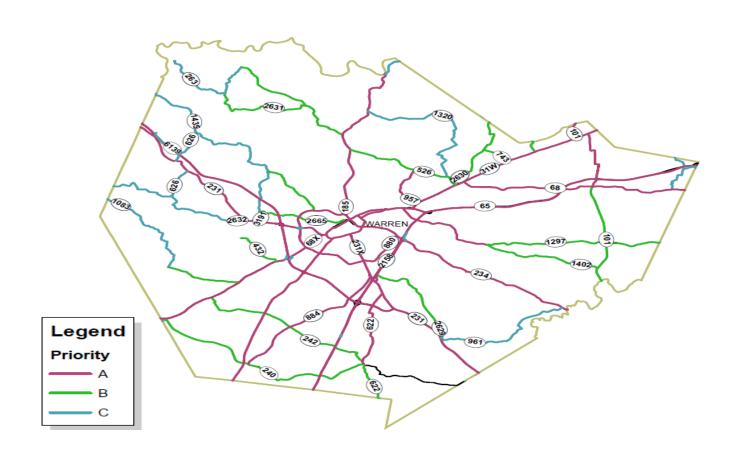




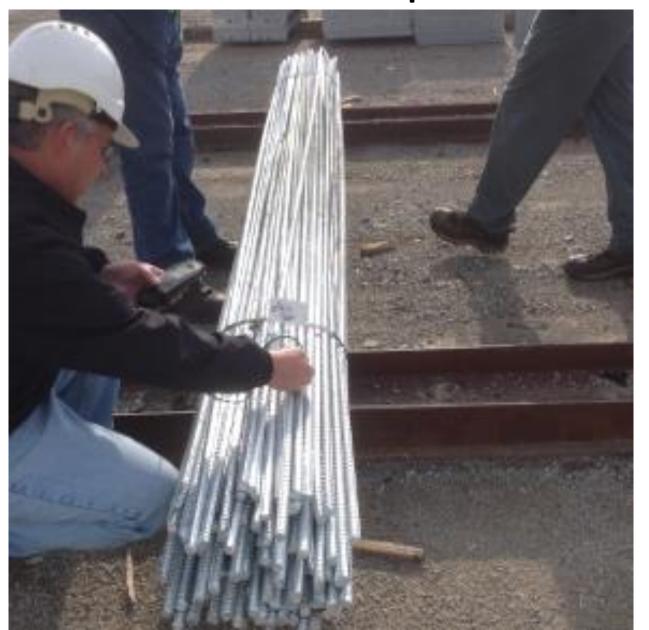


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Snow and Ice Priority Maps



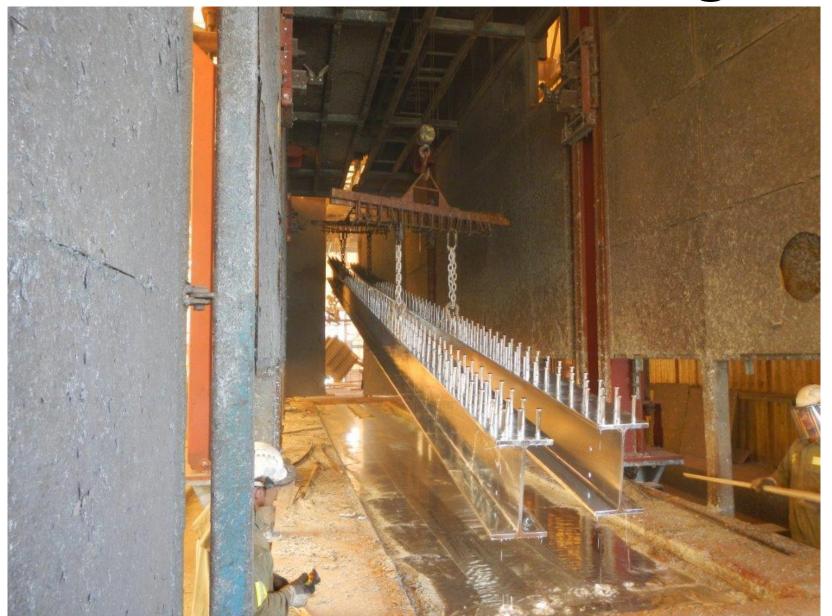




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Duplex Coatings



Protecting Concrete on New Bridges



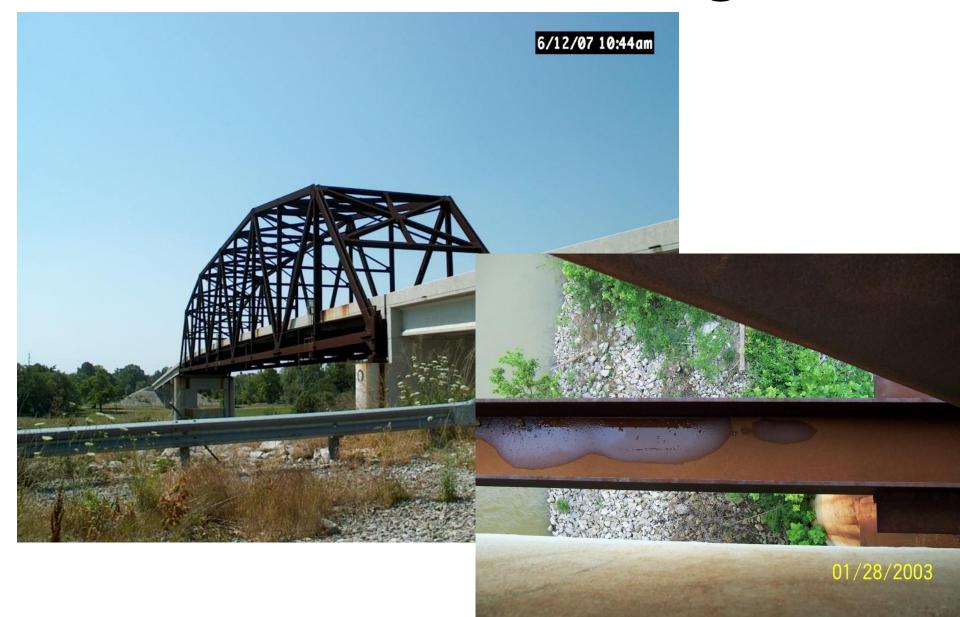
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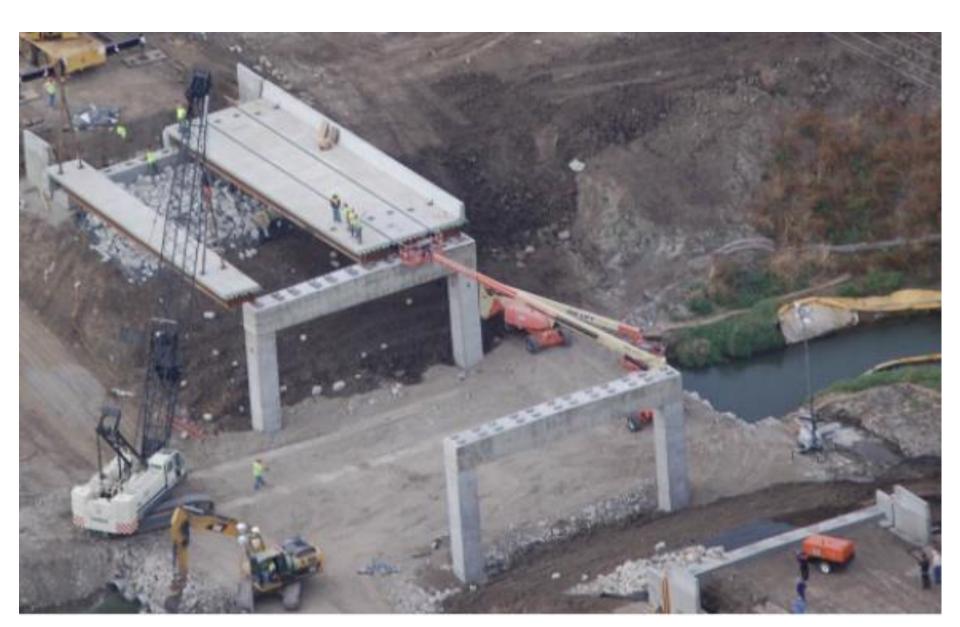
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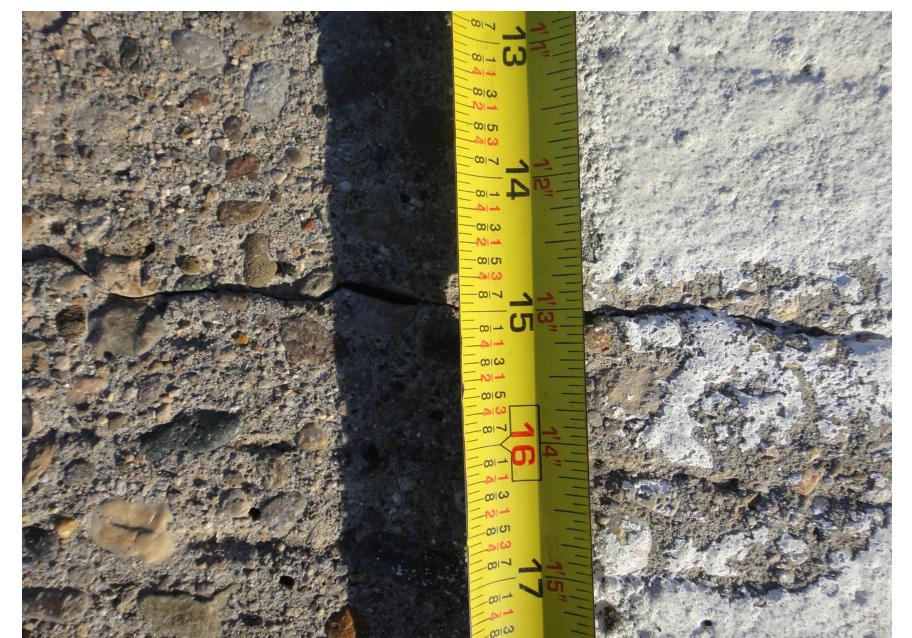
Concern – Joint Performance



Concern – Deck Cracks



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Contracting/Construction Issues

- Public/private partnerships
- Design/build/maintain
- Rapid renewal
- Performance specifications vs. methods & materials
- Audits vs. inspections
 - Lack of qualified inspectors
- Best value vs. lowest bid
- Certifications for contractor employees
 - Foreign workers-language issues
- Incentives/disincentives
- Warranties

Where Should We Go from Here?

- Work within our respective agencies to promote better bridges
- Develop an unified approach toward achieving better bridges (TSP2)
- Partner with AASHTO SCOM
 - Seek cooperation from AASHTO SCOBS
- Work with the FHWA to make 100+ year bridges a reality
- Track this effort and continue efforts to seek success





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