







# Treetop Trail at the Minnesota Zoo

A Case Study in Adaptive Reuse

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### **Presentation Outline**

- The Minnesota Zoo and the Monorail
- Project Introduction
- Existing Structure and Assessment
- System Selection
- Live Load Requirements
- Structural Analysis
- Thermal
- Wind / Lateral
- BREAK

- Vibrations
- Capacity Design
- Construction
- Questions









# THE MINNESOTA ZOO AND THE MONORAIL











Vision: Our vision is a future where wildlife thrives in Minnesota and beyond.

Mission : To connect people, animals and the natural world to save wildlife.

Values: Stewardship, Excellence with Integrity, Smart Fun, Engage to Inspire, Diversity and Inclusion









#### About the Minesota Zoo



- Opened to the public in 1978
- Located on 485 acres in Apple Valley, Minnesota it is the 5th largest zoo in the US.
- Home to more than 4,400 animals and 485 species including 68 threatened and endangered species
- Annual attendance of over 1.2 million

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#### About the monorail

- Originally referred to as the Skytrail.
- 1.25 miles long with a maximum elevation of 32 ft.
- With a single station, all rides were round trip.
- A monorail trip took about 25 minutes translating to an average speed of about 3 miles per hour.











# A Brief History of the Monorail

- May 1978 The Minnesota Zoo opens.
- September 1979 The monorail begins operation. Exhibits and pedestrian routing were deliberately designed to incorporate views from the monorail.
- September 2013 The monorail closes due to aging infrastructure, maintenance challenges due to mechanical obsolescence, and declining ridership.
- 2018 Planning to convert the monorail into Treetop Trail commences.
- January 2021 Design for Treetop Trail kicks off in earnest.
- April 2022 Construction for Treetop Trail begins.
- July 2023 Treetop Trail is completed with a total project cost of \$39M.





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#### **Existing Documentation**



- Limited documentation was available from the original construction including a partial plan set showing:
  - Geometric alignment of the monorail
  - Typical steel section
  - Splices between track sections
  - Rigid connection to columns
  - Tabulated drilled pier foundation depths.
  - Loading diagram for a monorail train





































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Support	Type of	Top of	Total length	Hole Infor	mation	
Location	Support	Foundation	of Column	Bottom	Approx.	
Station		Elevation		Elevation	Depth	
0+00	Grade Beam	96.83	None			
0+26	Grade Beam	96.83	None			
0+52	Grade Beam	96.83	None			
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6+15		05.70	21 foot	70.0	10 feet	
6+80		06.25	30 foot	74.5	10 feet	
7+50		06.25	30 feet	/0.0	10 Teet	
8+20		07.24	23 Teet	83.5	16 feet	
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9+60	94# column	07.73	39 feet	68.5	20 feet	
10+20	94# Column	00.22	36 feet	72.0	19 feet	
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20+07	145# column	19 10	40 feet	72.0	21 feet	
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22+17	145# column	21.79	50 feet	71.5	22 feet	
22+87	145# column	22 68	51 feet	71.5	22 foot	
23+57	145# column	23 58	46 feet	77 5	21 Foot	
24+27	94# column	24.48	39 feet	85.0	20 feet	
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# **Monorail Loading**



- Information on the weight of the monorail trains was found in project documentation.
- Cars had a capacity of 96 seated passengers, possibly up to 120 with standing passengers.
- Based on length of car it was determined that the monorail exerted a load of about 1 kip / foot onto the track.



### **Existing Documentation**

- There was a lot important information missing from the existing documentation including:
  - Specifications
  - Geotechnical information
  - General structural notes
  - Material properties Design strengths and material characteristics
  - Connection details at non-rigid connections









# **PROJECT INTRODUCTION**











"By transforming the monorail into a walking trail, visitors are given the opportunity to **immerse themselves in nature**, much like the monorail aimed to do, but with the **freedom to curate their own adventure**"









#### **Supporting MN Zoo Mission**







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# **Connecting Existing Zoo Trails and Experiences**











# **Enhancing Access**











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# **Other Project Constraints**

- Disruption Avoidance continuous operation, special events, animal needs, wildlife
- Need to be built from above
- Modular construction
- Accommodate winter construction
- Existing structural capacity
- Existing structural conditions
- Existing infrastructure fiber optic lines
- Budget
- 1.25 miles long
- Designed and built during the global pandemic









# **EXISTING CONDITIONS**









#### **Condition Assessment**

- Develop confidence in the accuracy of existing drawings
- Fill in documentation gaps
- Determine extent of deterioration











# **Rippling of side plates**













### **Fractured Welds**















One-way column slider



Two-way column slider



• One-way ground slider











Fixed Column Connection



• Fixed Grade Connection









TRAIL SUPPORTS - KEY PLAN

SYMBOL	DESCRIPTION			
COLUMN SUPPORTS				
	FIXED			
•	ONE-WAY			
•	TWO-WAY			
GRADE SUPPORTS				
	ANCHOR			
	ONE-WAY			
•	TWO-WAY			
•	SPECIAL			



































# **Condition Assessment Scope**

- Steel structure
  - Verify detail compliance with existing structure
  - Ultrasonic thickness measurements to estimate section loss
  - Visual weld inspection
  - Mag particle weld inspection
  - o Ultrasonic weld inspection
  - Coupon testing for both strength and chemical composition
- Foundations
  - Top of drilled pier verification
  - Reinforcement verification using ground penetrating radar
  - Concrete sampling for compressive strength testing
  - Parallel seismic testing to estimate pier depths






# **Steel Testing Methods**













## **Steel Observations Results**



See above for apx. Location of thickness readings. Magnetic particle (MT) inspection performed on field weld plate splice inside plate and outside plate. See sketch for approximate location. \* Note previously identified side plate splice weld crack report # 1 dated 6-28-21. 11 Angle to tube stitch welds cracked.









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# **Steel Material Testing**















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#### Project Information:

Test Procedure: ASTM A370 Test Date: 9/20/2021 Gauge Length: 2 Inches Acceptance Criteria: Results Only

#### Specimen Description:

Geometry Type: Rectangular for Tension

Tensile Test Results								
Sample ID	Width	Thickness	Area	Yield Load	Yield Strength	Tensile Load	Tensile Strength	Elongation After Fracture
1-Side Under Track	0.505 in	0.172 in	0.087 in <sup>3</sup>	5564 lbf	63961 lbf/in <sup>2</sup>	6544 lbf	75342 lbf/in <sup>2</sup>	25.0 %
2 - Side	0.504 in	0.187 in	0.094 in <sup>±</sup>	5604 lbf	59464 lbf/in²	7479 lbf	79357 lbf/in <sup>2</sup>	25.3 %
3 - Top Plate	0.508 in	0.390 in	0.198 in <sup>2</sup>	10819 lbf	54610 lbf/in2	15993 lbf	80726 lbf/in <sup>2</sup>	33.8 %
4 - Upright	0.510 in	0.479 in	0.244 in <sup>2</sup>	15060 lbf	61645 lbf/in2	20741 lbf	84905 lbf/in2	36.6 %



Sample ID	Yield Strength
1-Side Under Track	63961 lbf/in <sup>2</sup>
2 - Side	59464 lbf/in <sup>2</sup>
3 - Top Plate	54610 lbf/in <sup>2</sup>
4 - Upright	61646 lbf/in <sup>2</sup>

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## **Steel Material Testing**



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Attention: Eric	O'Donnell			Page 1 of 1
		REPORT C	F ANALYSIS	
MATERIAL:		Sample 1	, Sample 2, Sar	mple 3, Sample 4
SUBJECT:		Composi	tional Analysis	
TEST METHO	D:	ASTM E4	115-17	
UNITS:		Percent b	y Weight (%)	
METHOD DET	FECTION LIMI	T: 0.01% fo	raluminum	
RESULTS:				
ANALYTE	Sample 1	Sample 2	Sample 3	Sample 4
Total Carbon	0.12	0.11	0.08	0.16
Silicon	0.22	0.44	0.52	0.26
Sulfur	0.020	0.031	0.018	0.026
Manganese	0.60	0.43	0.43	1.06
Phosphorus	0.052	0.047	0.051	0.009
Nickel	0.43	0.20	0.29	0.19
Chromium	0.18	0.88	1.01	0.53
Molybdenum	0.03	0.02	0.02	0.01
Copper	0.31	0.28	0.25	0.31
Vanadium	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.05
Aluminum	0.05	0.01	<0.01	0.02
Iron	Remainder	Remainder	Remainder	Remainder

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Identification of tested specimens provided by the client



AN OFFICIAL COPY OF TEST REPORT WILL BE PROVIDED BY THIS LABORATORY ON REQUEST NOT OFFICIAL WITHOUT THE RAISED SEAL OF ST. LOUIS TESTING LABORATORIES, INC. SEE BEAVERUE FOR COMPUTIONS.









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#### (1) LONGITUDINAL BEND SPECIMENS



#### (2) TRANSVERSE BEND SPECIMENS



Notes:

- 1. The groove configuration shown is for illustration only. The groove shape tested shall conform to the production groove shape that is being qualified.
- 2. When CVN tests are required, the specimens shall be removed from their locations, as shown in Figure 6.28.
- 3. All dimensions are minimum.
- 4. For 3/0 in [10 mm] plate, a side-bend test may be substituted for each of the required face- and root-bend tests. See Figure 0.0(2) for plate length and location of specimens.

#### Figure 6.7—Location of Test Specimens on Welded Test Plate 3/8 in [10 mm] Thick and Under-WPS Qualification (see 6.10)



## **Foundation Testing**











# **Foundation Testing**

#### Figure 2. Concrete Pier Testing Reference Plan



- Station 44+42
  - The concrete pier has a diameter of approximately 3 feet, 6 inches.
  - o The steel column was observed to extend at least 3 feet into the pier.
  - o The uneven surface of the concrete sides suggests that the pier was earth formed.
  - A concrete core was extracted for compressive strength testing. The core has a compressive strength of 4,710 psi.
  - GPR observations from the top and side indicate reinforcing consistent with a cylindrical style reinforcing cage.
    - Vertical bars are spaced at approximately 12 inches.
    - Horizontal bars are spaced at approximately 6 inches.
    - Concrete cover is approximately 6 inches.







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# **Foundation Testing**



Credit: Everest Geophysics











**Table 1. PIT Data Results** 

Station Mark	As-Built Record Info	PIT Data Depth
44+42	21-feet	20-feet
45+70	19-feet	17-feet
55+50	19-feet	16-feet
3+65	19-feet	19-feet
16+75	21-feet	21-feet
24+27	21-feet	20-feet
33+91	~15 to 16-feet*	16-feet

# **Existing Monorail Inspections**

- Inspections performed at the start of construction to identify deficiencies with the existing structure requiring repair
  - 100% Visual Testing of welds
  - Ultrasonic testing of 20% top plate CJP welds, Mag particle testing of remainder.
  - Mag particle testing of 50% of side and bottom plate welds
  - Documentation of welding size and pattern
  - Measurement of column plumbness









# SYSTEM SELECTION AND SHAPE FINDING









# **Existing Structural Condition**

- 1.25-mile loop
- Typical monorail beam span: 70ft
- Typical column supports: W27
- Drilled piers with dropped columns
- 'Corten' / weathering steel
- No expansion joints: thermal expansion occurs at bends using slide bearings over columns











# **Existing Structural Condition**











# **Mindset Shift for Adaptive Reuse**

Unchallenged requirements

**New structure** designed to suit requirements









# **Mindset Shift for Adaptive Reuse**

Unchallenged requirements

**New structure** designed to suit requirements

Existing structure

Define requirements based on capability of existing structure









# **Limited Number of Structural Variables**



#### **Gravity Design**

- 1. Trail width
- 2. Weight of decking system
- 3. Live load requirement

#### Lateral Design

- 4. Guard rail height
- 5. Guard rail porosity









# **Original vs New Loading Comparison**

- Original structure designed for a uniform train load of 1,000 lbs/ft
- New structure, conceptual loading:

De chine a conterne	Trail Width (ft)			
Decking system	8	10	12	
'Heavy' Decking System Dead load= 65psf	1,320	1,650	1,980	
'Light' Decking System Dead load = 25psf	1,000	1,250	1,500	

Note: assuming 100psf live load









# **Three Conceptual Approaches**



- 12ft wide concrete deck system
- Beam, column & foundation strengthening as required to meet demand







- Narrower concrete deck system with supplementary columns & foundations
- 'Tune' width dimension to reduce required strengthening of existing structures





- Narrower lightweight deck system
- 'Tune' width dimension to reduce required strengthening of existing structures

## **Precast Concrete**



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### • Approx. weight: 65psf

- Heaviest structural material meaning increased strengthening of existing structures
- Panels would be smaller vs FRP due to increased weight, meaning more regular joints
- Additional wearing surface requiring periodic maintenance / replacement
- Higher embodied carbon footprint vs structural steel framing

# **Fiber Reinforced Plastic (FRP)**





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Approx. weight: 15psf

- High strength, lightweight composite structural material
- Relatively common method of construction for bridge structures requiring lightweight decking
- Highly corrosion resistant
- Limited number of suppliers available
- Highest embodied carbon footprint
- Materials not typically recyclable at end of life

# **Steel Framing with Secondary Decking**



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- Approx. weight: 25psf
- Lightweight structural material
- Steel framing to be weathering grade, compatible with existing corten structure
- Various options considered for secondary decking, including timber, recycled plastic and steel grating
- Decking could be easily replaced and different decking systems could be used at different locations on the TTT
- Lowest embodied carbon footprint vs FRP and precast concrete

# **Tuning the Trail Width** Column capacity study



- 3 deck type options:
  - Precast concrete
  - Fiber reinforced plastic
  - Steel + wood decking
- 3 trail width options:
  - 8ft
  - 10ft
  - 12ft
- Column strength checks only (gravity + lateral)
- Results show the percentage of columns requiring reinforcement. Also indicative of expected foundation strengthening.









# **Performance Considerations**

- Self weight of structure: impact to existing foundations
- Speed of construction: labor cost
- Life cycle cost
- Impact on water management
- Recycled content
- Deconstruction and recyclability
- Carbon footprint
- Future maintenance
- Appearance









# **Structural System Options**

**Comparison Matrix** 

Description	FRP	Precast	Steel Structure w/ Decking*
Define 1 Q with 2 hoine the heat			
Rating 1 - 3 with 3 being the best			
Maintenance	2	1	3
Life Cycle Cost	2	1	3
Water Management	1	1	3
Recycled Content	1	2	3
Recyclability / Deconstructability	1	2	3
Carbon Footprint	1	2	3
Replacement	1	1	3
Aesthetic Above	2	2	3
Aesthetic Below	3	3	2
Surface Joints	2	1	3
Wear surface Options / Flexibility	1	1	3
Impact to Existing Foundations	3	1	3
Overall Score	20	18	35









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# LIVE LOAD REQUIREMENT









# **Live Load Requirement**

- Live load on deck was significantly higher than self weight of structure, and original 1,000lb/ft design live load
- TTT did not fall under clear structural typology / occupancy under IBC / AASHTO; hence some engineering judgement was necessary to establish a recommended live load provision.
- Minimum code prescribed live loading for similar structures:
  - IBC (ASCE) Public assembly: **100psf** (feasibility study)
  - AASHTO Pedestrian bridges: 90psf
  - IBC (ASCE) Walkways & elevated platforms: 60psf









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# **Pedestrian Bridge Loading: IBC vs AASHTO**

- IBC (ASCE) & AASHTO use different load factors for strength design
- Compare strength level live loading:
  - IBC (ASCE): 1.6x100 = **160psf**
  - AASHTO: 1.75x90 = **158psf**









# **AASHTO Pedestrian Loading Illustration**







50psf

100psf

150psf









# **Consider Reduced Occupancy for TTT**

- **60psf** live load per IBC (ASCE) Walkways & Elevated Platforms
- Approx. 25-30% reduction on strength level loading to existing beam & column structures, depending on deck system selection.
- Significant reduction in required strengthening of existing structures
- Compare 100psf vs 60psf for 70'x10' section of TTT:
  - **100psf** = 70,000lbs = approx. **400 people\***
  - **60psf** = 42,000lbs = approx. **240 people\***

\*Using 175lbs/person









# **Live Loads - Distributed**

### Final design live loading per IBC 2018 / ASCE 7-16:

Area	Occupancy	Live Load (psf)
Stairs and entry ramps	Stairs and exit ways	100
Assembly areas	Yards and terraces, pedestrian	100
Main walkway	Walkways and elevated platforms (other than exit ways)	60

Note: all live loads were considered unreducible









# Live Loads - Concentrated

Custom wheel loading criteria was developed for maintenance vehicle assuming John Deere Gator vehicle or similar:

- Maximum vehicle weight = 2,000 lbs / Maximum payload weight = 1,000 lbs
- Total vehicle load = 3,000 lbs
- Wheel load = 1,000 lbs

Note: the TTT will be accessible to maintenance vehicles only, hence not subject to passenger vehicle load requirements









### **Live Load Patterning**

- ASCE requires Live Load Patterning
- Complicated for a continuous beam
- LL effect on torsion also considered

**4.3.3 Partial Loading.** The full intensity of the appropriately reduced live load applied only to a portion of a structure or member shall be accounted for if it produces a more unfavorable load effect than the same intensity applied over the full structure or member. Roof live loads shall be distributed as specified in Table 4.3-1.







# **SYSTEM BEHAVIOR**









# **Structural Analysis – SAP2000**



- Modeled initially for vibration analysis
- Ultimately used for full strength & service checks, due to complexity of 'system' behavior including influence of slide bearings on lateral loading & locked-in thermal forces.



# **Structural Analysis Model**

- Overall geometry of model
- Section types
- Boundary conditions
  - Foundations springs
  - One-way slide bearings
  - Two-way slide bearings
- Load application
- Load combinations








- Foundation springs used to soften model to better represent behavior
- LPile used for analysis
- Different pier depths and loading criteria for each column could require different spring for each column
- Sensitivity analysis justified use of a single set of average stiffness springs in all locations.



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Minnesota Zoo Tree Top Trail Lateral Analysis Results 42-inch Diameter Drilled Shaft with a W27x84 Beam Embedded Full Depth 30 foot Shaft Length

Braun Intertec Project No. B16xxxxx











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	Applied Loading		Top of Pile	Movement	Stiffness		
Case	Shear (k)	Moment (k-ft)	Disp (in)	Rotation (rad)	$K_{\Delta}$ (k/in)	K <sub>θ</sub> (k-ft/rad)	
1	25	100	0.2329	0.00141	107	70922	
2	25	425	0.4978	0.00419	50	101432	
3	40	100	0.3864	0.00243	104	41152	
4	40	700	0.9076	0.0076	44	92105	
5	20	55	0.1749	0.00108	114	50926	
6	20	130	0.2168	0.00143	92	90909	
7	15	70	0.1426	0.000924	105	75758	
8	15	150	0.1866	0.00129	80	116279	
9	20	100	0.1999	0.00129	100	77519	

- Translation Stiffness = 100 k/in
- Rotational Stiffness = 75,000 k-ft/rad











- Slide bearing connections required special consideration in the analysis model due to keeper plates
- Modeled as non-linear springs
  - Frictionless until engaging keepers, then column stiffness engaged

Property Name	2-Way Link w/ 3.5in Keepers			
Direction	U2			
Туре	Damper - Friction Spring			
NonLinear	Yes			
Properties Used For Line	ar Analysis Cases			
Effective Stiffness	0.			
Effective Damping	0.			
Shear Deformation Loca	tion			
Distance from End-J	0.			
Properties Used For Non	linear Analysis Cases			
Initial (Nonslipping) St	iffness 1.000E+15			
Slipping Stiffness (Lo	ading) 5.000E-09			
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Precompression Disp	lacement 0.			
Stop Displacement	S 3.5			
Active Direction	Both v			









- Load Combinations (more than 5!)
  - o Service and Ultimate
  - o Live load patterning
    - Inside/outside
    - Alternating spans
  - Temperature + and -
- 608 Load Combinations!

#### 2.3 LOAD COMBINATIONS FOR STRENGTH DESIGN

**2.3.1 Basic Combinations.** Structures, components, and foundations shall be designed so that their design strength equals or exceeds the effects of the factored loads in the following combinations. Effects of one or more loads not acting shall be considered. Seismic load effects shall be combined loads in accordance with Section 2.3.6. Wind and seismic loads need not be considered to act simultaneously. Refer to Sections 1.4, 2.3.6, 12.4, and 12.14.3 for the specific definition of the earthquake load effect *E*. Each relevant strength limit state shall be investigated.

- 1. 1.4D
- 2.  $1.2D + 1.6L + 0.5(L_r \text{ or } S \text{ or } R)$
- 3.  $1.2D + 1.6(L_r \text{ or } S \text{ or } R) + (L \text{ or } 0.5W)$
- 4.  $1.2D + 1.0W + L + 0.5(L_r \text{ or } S \text{ or } R)$
- 5. 0.9D + 1.0W









#### **Structural Analysis – Data Management**

- 608 LCs, 915 Frames, 951 Points = Millions of data points
- Use of SAP2000 Table data to Excel
  - Frame forces
  - Displacements
  - Reactions
- Use of "Envelope" only is too conservative for section capacity checks
- Selection of like section types prior to export from SAP2000
  - 6 different selection sets





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### **Structural Analysis – Data Management**

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phi*Pnc	-1953	[k]	Soction	Excel RowNumber	5661			Vy	47.664	Did		meracio	in chiec	
phi*Vn-x	392	[k]		Controlling Frame	58			Vx	-14.979	(K)		for each I	C	
phi*Vn-y	1205	[k]						Tn	277.0273	[k-ft]		IOI each L		
phi*Tn	499	[k-ft]	capacitie	es tor				My-y	352.095	[k-ft]				
phi*Mn-y	1420	[k-ft]	1,	•				Mx-x	-195.0326	[k-ft]				
phi*Mn-x+	2681	[k-ft]	each lim	it state									```	$\mathbf{N}$
phi*Mn-x-	-2560	[k-ft]	each mh		Axial	Vy	Vx	Tn	My-y	Mx-x				$\backslash$
TABLE: Element Forces - Fra	mes			Max	134.74	87.15	21.01	277.03	492.91	1001.06				
Frame-Text	<ul> <li>Station-ft</li> </ul>	*	OutputCase-Text	CaseType-Text 💌	P-Kip 💌	V2-Kip 💌	V3-Kip 💌	T-Kip-ft 💌	M2-Kip-f	M3-Kip-f	FrameElem-Text	ElemStation-ft GroupName	<ul> <li>RowNumber</li> </ul>	DCR
	3	0 ULS.1 1	L4D	Combination	1.115	8.03	-0.058	4.0417	0.0244	-3.5953 3-1	L.	0	16	0.00
	3 3.38	57 ULS.1 1	L4D	Combination	1.149	11.34	-0.058	8.2983	0.2199	-36.3862 3-1	L	3.3857	17	0.0
	3 6.77	15 ULS.1 1	1.4D	Combination	1.182	14.651	-0.058	12.5548	0.4154	-80.3863 3-3	L	6.7715	18	0.0
	3	0 ULS.2.0.1	L 1.2D+1.6L+0.55	Combination	0.646	18.704	-0.026	3.9416	0.1116	-9.1026 3-1	L	0	19	0.0
	3 3.38	57 ULS.2.0.1	L 1.2D+1.6L+0.55	Combination	0.724	26.295	-0.026	7.5901	0.2004	-85.2806 3-3	C	3.3857	20	0.0
	3 6.77	15 ULS.2.0.1	L 1.2D+1.6L+0.5S	Combination	0.801	33.886	-0.026	11.2385	0.2891	-187.1599 3-1	1	6.7715	21	0.0
	3	0 ULS.2.1.1	L 1.2D+1.6LPO+0.5S	Combination	6.512	14.611	-0.361	18.3065	-0.2947	-5.7716 3-3	L.	0	22	0.0
	3 3.38	57 ULS.2.1.1	l 1.2D+1.6LPO+0.55	Combination	6.576	20.902	-0.361	32.356	0.9273	-65.8923 3-1	L	3.3857	23	0.0
	3 6.77	15 ULS.2.1.1	L 1.2D+1.6LPO+0.5S	Combination	6.64	27.194	-0.361	46.4055	2.1493	-147.3126 3-1	1	6.7715	24	0.0
	3	0 ULS.2.1.2	2 1.2D+1.6LPI+0.55	Combination	-2.487	14.53	0.149	-3.7853	0.3406	-2.3161 3-1	1	0	25	0.0
	3 3.38	57 ULS.2.1.2	2 1.2D+1.6LPI+0.5S	Combination	-2.423	20.821	0.149	-2.737	-0.1655	-62.1596 3-1	1)	3.3857	26	0.0
	3 6.77	15 ULS.2.1.2	2 1.2D+1.6LPI+0.5S	Combination	-2.359	27.112	0.149	-1.6888	-0.6715	-143.3028 3-1	1	6.7715	27	0.0
	3	0 ULS.2.2.1	l 1.2D+1.6LP1+0.5S	Combination	0.538	17.977	-0.011	6.2946	0.159	40.3769 3-1		0	28	0.0
	3 3.38	57 ULS.2.2.1	1 1.2D+1.6LP1+0.5S	Combination	0.616	25.569	-0.011	9.9431	0.196	-33.3408 3-1		3.3857	29	0.0
	3 6.77	15 ULS.2.2.1	L 1.2D+1.6LP1+0.55	Combination	0.693	33.16	-0.011	13.5915	0.2329	-132.7599 3-1	5 <u>7</u>	6.7715	30	0.0
	3	0 ULS.2.2.2	2 1.2D+1.6LP2+0.5S	Combination	1.008	9.731	-0.061	1.197	-0.0102	-53.6419 3-1		0	31	0.0
	3 3.38	57 ULS.2.2.2	2 1.2D+1.6LP2+0.55	Combination	1.046	13.422	-0.061	4.8455	0.195	-92.8369 3-1		3.3857	32	0.0
	3 6.7	15 ULS.2.2.2	2 1.2D+1.6LP2+0.55	Combination	1.084	17.113	-0.061	8.494	0.4002	-144.5282 3-1		6.7715	33	0.0
	3	0 015.2.2.3	5 1.2D+1.6LP3+0.55	Combination	0.787	16.19	-0.037	5.7161	0.0476	35.7916 3-1		0	34	0.0
	3 3.38	57 ULS.Z.2.3	5 1.20+1.6LP3+0.55	Combination	0.864	23.781	-0.037	9.3646	0.1728	-31.875 3-1		3.3857	35	0.0
	3 0.7	15 ULS.2.2.3	5 1.20+1.60P3+0.55	Combination	0.942	31.372	-0.037	13.0131	0.298	-125.243 3-1		6.7/15	30	0.0
	3 33	0 ULS.2.2.4	1.20+1.0LP4+0.55	Combination	0.473	20.817	-0.008166	3./1//	0.2218	-21.0886 3-1		2 2057	3/	0.0
	3 3.38	37 015.2.2.4	1.20+1.00+4+0.55	combination	0.551	28.408	-0.008100	7.3001	0.2495	-105.019 3	51	3.3637	38	0.0









 Different data set for each section type

# THERMAL









#### **Thermal Design**

- Original 1.25-mile structure had no existing expansion joints.
- Thermal expansion of structure occurred by lateral deflection of columns and sliding of box-beam section over column and ground supports.
- In some conditions, historic movement was observed as being several inches in magnitude!
- The basic design approach was to replicate existing behavior as closely as possible.
- An alternate (traditional) approach with regularly occurring expansion joints would have required new column supports and lateral bracing which would have added significant scope and costs to the project.









#### **Thermal Demands**

EXPANSION JOINTS IN BUILDINGS

Technical Report No. 65

Prepared by the Standing Committee on Structural Engineering of the Federal Construction Council Building Research Advisory Board Division of Engineering National Research Council

	Tempe	rature	(°F)
Station	Tw	Tm	Tc
innesota			
Duluth	85	55	-19
International Falls	86	57	-29
Minneapolis/St. Paul	92	62	-14
Rochester	90	60	-17
St. Cloud	90	60	-20

Data from 1972 ASHRAE Handbook of Fundamentals

• 2021 ASHRAE Handbook of Fundamentals

- T<sub>C</sub> = -8 °F
- $T_W = 89 \, ^{\circ}F$

NATIONAL ACADEMY OF SCIENCES Washington, D.C. 1974









#### **Thermal Demands**

#### Load combinations including thermal effects:

- A. No temperature loading (basic load combinations)
- 1. 1.4D
- 2. 1.2D + 1.6L + 0.5S
- 3. 1.2D + 1.6S + 1.0L
- 4. 1.2D + 1.0W +1.0L + 0.5S
- 5. 0.9D + 1.0W
- A. Full (100%) live load / Max temperature load: T = +55deg
- 1. 1.4D + **1.0T**
- 2. 1.2D + 1.6L + 0.5S + **1.0T**
- 3. 1.2D + 1.6S + 0.5L + 1.0T
- 4. 1.2D + 1.0W + 0.5L + 0.5S + 1.0T
- 5. 0.9D + 1.0W + **1.0T**
- A. Full (100%) live load / Min temperature load: T = -55deg
- 1. 1.4D + **1.0T**
- 2. 1.2D + 1.6L + 0.5S + **1.0T**
- 3. 1.2D + 1.6S + 1.0L + 1.0T
- 4. 1.2D + 1.0W +1.0L + 0.5S + 1.0T
- 5. 0.9D + 1.0W + 1.0T

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**2.3.4 Load Combinations Including Self-Straining Forces and Effects.** Where the structural effects of T are expected to adversely affect structural safety or performance, T shall be considered in combination with other loads. The load factor on T shall be established considering the uncertainty associated with the likely magnitude of the structural forces and effects, the probability that the maximum effect of T will occur simultaneously with other applied loadings, and the potential adverse consequences if the effect of T is greater than assumed. The load factor on T shall not have a value less than 1.0.

#### **Thermal Movement**

Straight line expansion/contraction

 $\begin{array}{l} {\sf L}_0\approx 6600'\\ \alpha\ =\ 0.0000065\ in/in^{*\circ}{\sf F}\\ {\Delta_t}\ =\ 55^{\circ}{\sf F}\\ d{\sf L}_0\ =\ 6600'\ x\ 55^{\circ}\ x\ 0.0000065\ =\ 2.36' \end{array}$ 

Radial expansion/contraction

```
Circumference \approx 6600'

D_0 \approx 2100.8'

\alpha = 0.0000065 \text{ in/in*}^{\circ}\text{F}

\Delta_t = 55^{\circ}\text{F}

dD_0 = 6600' \times 55^{\circ} \times 0.0000065 / \pi = 0.75'
```

Actual trail has both straight line and radial expansion behavior



## **Thermal Design**











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### **Existing Structure Support Conditions**

#### TRAIL SUPPORTS - KEY PLAN

SYMBOL	DESCRIPTION	FIXITY ASSUMPTIONS(*)							
		U1	U2	U3	R1	R2	R3		
COLUMN SI	JPPORTS								
	FIXED	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$		
	ONE-WAY	$\times$		$\times$					
•	TWO-WAY			$\times$					
GRADE SUF	PORTS								
	ANCHOR	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$		
	ONE-WAY	$\times$		$\times$		$\times$			
-	TWO-WAY			$\times$					
•	SPECIAL	$\times$		$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$		

(\*) SIGN CONVENTION NOTES: U INDICATES TRANSLATIONAL FIXITY R INDICATES ROTATIONAL FIXITY DIRECTION 1 = AXIS PERPENDICULAR TO BEAM DIRECTION 2 = AXIS PARALLEL TO BEAM DIRECTION 3 = VERTICAL AXIS "X" INDICATES FIXITY IN THE APPLICABLE DIRECTION











#### **Support Conditions**



One-way column slider



Two-way column slider



• One-way ground slider









## **Existing Structure Support Conditions** One-way ground slider





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#### **Thermal Design & Modeling**

- ASCE 7 requires temperature loading to be applied (1.0 factor) in combination with all strength design combinations
- Due to nature of existing condition, 'locked-in' thermal forces were significant
  - The addition of supports / restraints (e.g. to resist torsion) was found to exacerbate these effects
  - A 'brute force' approach to thermal design is typically a losing battle, since increased stiffness will lead to increased thermal loading!
- Thermal modeling considerations:
  - Temperature range
  - Foundation stiffness
  - Simplified section parameters to minimize design iterations



#### **Thermal Design Approach**

- Ultimately, the design approach used a combination of:
  - 'Fine tuning' the existing condition
  - Replacement of bearing elements at sliding connections
  - Localized strengthening where required









# WIND/LATERAL









- Determination of appropriate wind loads required substantial engineering judgement.
  - Not a building
  - Not a bridge
- Continuous guardrail represented the possibility of significantly higher lateral wind loading on the structure than would have occurred during monorail operation
- Develop confidence by referencing multiple sources











#### Wind Loading – ASCE 7-16

- ASCE 7-16
  - 109 mph wind speed (700yr MRI)
  - Exposure category C

**26.10.2 Velocity Pressure.** Velocity pressure,  $q_z$ , evaluated at height z above ground shall be calculated by the following equation:

 $q_z = 0.00256K_zK_{zt}K_dK_eV^2$  (lb/ft<sup>2</sup>); V in mi/h (26.10-1)

 $q_z = 0.00256(1.0)(1)(.85)(1)(109mph)^2 = 25.9 psf$ 

- Box beam and trail structure is like a solid sign.
- Guardrail is like an open sign or frame.











#### Wind Loading – ASCE 7-16

#### Trail Structure

29.3.1 Solid Freestanding Walls and Solid Freestanding Signs. The design wind force for solid freestanding walls and solid freestanding signs shall be determined by the following formula:

$$F = q_h G C_f A_s (lb) \tag{29.3-1}$$

 $C_{f}$  = 1.95 based on applied parameters (maximum value in specification)

F = 25.9psf(0.85)\*1.92\*As= 42.3 psf \* As = 42.3 psf \* 3.5 ft = 148 plf

Wind Load on Trail Superstructure:

WL = 148 plf + 42 plf = 190 plf





#### Railing

#### 29.4 DESIGN WIND LOADS: OTHER STRUCTURES

The design wind force for other structures (chimneys, tanks, open signs, single-plane open frames, and trussed towers), whether ground or roof mounted, shall be determined by the following equation:

$$F = q_z G C_f A_f (lb) \tag{29.4-1}$$

#### Force Coefficients, Cf

		Rounded	Members
ε	Flat-Sided Members	$D_{\sqrt{q_z}} \le 2.5$ $(D_{\sqrt{q_z}} \le 5.3)$ s.i	$D\sqrt{q_z}$ > 2.5 $(D\sqrt{q_z}$ > 5.3) s.i
<0.1	2.0	1.2	0.8
0.1 to 0.29	1.8	1.3	0.9
0.3 to 0.7	1.6	1.5	1.1

 $C_f = 1.8$  for flat sided members with 15% solidity

F = 25.9psf(0.85)\*1.8\*Af = 25.9psf(0.85)(1.8)(0.15)As= 5.95 psf \* As

= 5.95 psf \* 3.5 ft \* 2 = 42 plf



### Wind Loading - AASHTO

- AASHTO LRFD Bridge Specification
  - 115 mph wind speed (700 yr MRI)
  - Exposure Category C
  - o 100% Transverse, 25% longitudinal
  - o 177 plf transverse, 44 plf longitudinal

- AASHTO LRFD Sign Specification
  - 115 mph wind speed (700 yr MRI)
  - Exposure Category C
  - o 254 plf transverse

Use ASCE 7 wind load as it appears reasonable and is bounded by AASHTO values









- Freeform shape of treetop trail makes defining primary wind directions impossible.
- Given any wind direction, it will intersect different portions of the trail at different angles.
- Utilize AASHTO Skew Angle Coefficients to account for varying angle of application.



Skew	Transverse	Longitudinal
Angle	Coefficient	Coefficient
0	1.00	0
15	0.88	0.12
30	0.82	0.24
45	0.66	0.32
60	0.34	0.38











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### **Column Reinforcement** First Pass – No Lateral Bracing













#### **Vertical Bracing**





## **Vertical Bracing**



## **Column Reinforcement Final Design – With Lateral Bracing**



- 0.75" Strengthening Required (19)
- Add'l Strengthening Required (0)











#### **Column Reinforcing**





	REINFORCEMENT TYPE
	RI
LATE THICKNESS, T	3/4*
ELD 1 LENGTH, W1_L	96"
ELD 1 THICKNESS, W1_T	1/4*
ELD 2 LENGTH, W2_L	2'@4*
ELD 2 THICKNESS, W2, T	1/4*

NOTE: 1. REFERENCE \$4.01 FOR EXISTING COLUMN REINFORCEMENT ASSIGNMENTS.











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# VIBRATION













Fig. 2.1 Recommended peak acceleration for human comfort for vibrations due to human activities (Allen and Murray, 1993; ISO 2631-2: 1989).











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#### Vibrations

$$\frac{a_p}{g} = \frac{P_o \exp\left(-0.35f_n\right)}{\beta W}$$

- Preliminary walking vibration check
  - $\circ$  P<sub>o</sub> = 92 lbs (Table 4.1)
  - o  $f_n = 4.92$  Hz (from SAP model)
  - Beta = 1.0% (Table 4.1) possibly unconservative
  - W = 34,720 lb (Dead load of a single span)
  - o  $a_p = 92 \text{ lbs * exp } (-0.35*4.92 \text{ Hz}) / (0.01*34720 \text{ lb}) * g = 4.74\% \text{ g} < 5.0\% \text{ g OK}!!!$ 
    - Vibrations will be noticeable
    - This is for one person walking, what about a group?
    - What if someone starts running



#### Vibrations



- Standard evaluation for walking excitation unchanged.
- Method for evaluating running excitation added!

$$\frac{a_p}{g} = \frac{0.79Q(e^{-0.173f_n})}{\beta W}$$

• Guidance for incorporating group effects added!

P<sub>group</sub> = sqrt(n) \* P<sub>o</sub> Finite element analysis method added!!!!!

Chapter 7! Chapter 7! Chapter 7!









#### Vibrations

$$\frac{a_p}{g} = \frac{0.79Q(e^{-0.173f_n})}{\beta W}$$

- Preliminary running vibration check
  - Q = 168 lbs (Table 4.1)
  - $f_n = 4.92$  Hz (from SAP model)
  - Beta = 1.0% (Table 4.1) possibly unconservative
  - W = 34,720 lb (Dead load of a single span)
  - a<sub>p</sub> = 0.79\*168 lbs\*exp(-0.173\*4.92Hz)/(0.01\*34720 lb)\*g=16.3% g >> 5.0%g

<sup>10</sup> Running on the trail isn't a great idea








Finite Element Method for Vibration Analysis



• Finite Element Method for Vibration Analysis



- Finite Element Model for Vibrations
  - Limit model to 3 spans with mass to prevent model for predicting motion a great distances from the area of excitation overestimate modal mass and underestimating acceleration response.
  - Add a massless span on each end to capture continuity effects
  - Column bases assumed to be fully fixed
  - Beam and column connections assumed to be fixed
  - Decking and railings included only as mass
  - 1% viscous damping (probably an overestimate)
  - Assume walker and bystander are both at midspan
  - Perform eigen analysis in SAP or RISA to find all modes under 9 Hz









	Mode	Frequency (	Period (S	SX Participati	SY Participati	SZ Participati
1	1	6.003	0.167		3.768	
2	2	7.669	0.13			
3	3	9.85	0.102		72.162	
4	4	11.353	0.088	94.321		
5	5	21.235	0.047			
6	6	23.412	0.043		0.724	
7	7	26.265	0.038			
8	8	35.976	0.028	4.65		
9	9	45.426	0.022		1.599	
10	10	45.983	0.022			
11	11	46.952	0.021		15.731	
12	12	63.154	0.016	0.689		
13	Totals:			99.665	93.985	













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Acceleration Calculation (Chp7)

$$a_p = FRF_{Max}\alpha Q\rho \tag{7-1}$$

where

- $FRF_{Max}$  = maximum FRF magnitude at frequencies below 9 Hz, %g/lb
- Q = bodyweight = 168 lb
- $\alpha$  = dynamic coefficient
- $\rho$  = resonant build-up factor

The dynamic coefficient is computed using the following equation, which approximates the Willford et al. (2007) second through fourth harmonic dynamic coefficients in Table 1-1. The equation was derived using the procedure described in Section 2.2.1.

$$\alpha = 0.09e^{-0.075fn} \tag{7-2}$$

where

 $f_n$  = dominant frequency, Hz



A frequency response function (FRF)—a plot of steadystate response due to sinusoidal load with unit amplitude versus frequency—is used to determine which mode(s) provides highest response, thus solving the problem.



Fig. 7-4. Example predicted FRF for framing in Figure 7-1.

## Mode1:

- o  $f_1 = 6.00$  Hz phi = 2.57
- FRF =  $0.332 \text{ in}^2/\text{s}^2/\text{lb}$
- a = .332\*.09\*e^(-.075\*6.00)\*168lb\*.75
   = 2.40 in2/s = 0.6%g
- Mode 2:
  - f<sub>2</sub> = 7.67 Hz phi = 3.51
  - o FRF =  $0.614 \text{ in}^2/\text{s}^2/\text{lb}$
  - o a = .614\*.09\*e^(-.075\*7.67)\*168lb\*.75 = 3.92 in2/s = 1.0%g
- Mode 3:
  - o f<sub>3</sub> = 9.85 Hz phi = 2.53 FRF = .324









- Mode 2 controls response:
  - Acceleration = 1.0%g < 5.0%g
  - 25 people walking randomly will potential reach the 5% criteria.
  - Great!
    - But why did the numbers go down so much?

Chapter 4 and chapter 7 of design guide 11 use different forces to represent walking

Table 1-1. Fourier Series Parameters for Individuals							
Activity	Source	Q, lb	f <sub>step</sub> Range, Hz	Dynamic Coefficients, $\alpha_i$	Phase Lag, ¢ <sub>i</sub> , radians		
Chp 4 —>	Rainer et al. (1988) Allen and Murray (1993)	157	1.6–2.2	0.5, 0.2, 0.1, 0.05	-		
Walking Chp 7 —	Willford et al. (2007) Smith et al. (2007) Davis and Murray (2010)	168	1.6–2.2	0.4,0.07 0.06, 0.05	0, -π/2, π, π/2		

- For second harmonic, Willford estimates about 37% of Allen and Murray excitation.
- For third harmonic, Willford estimates about 64% of Allen and Murray excitation.
  - Who's correct?



### The first four harmonics of footfall forces.

# **Vibrations**











- Lateral and longitudinal vibrations just as concerning as vertical
- Maintain minimum frequencies to avoid first harmonic excitation
  - Longitudinal natural frequency > ~2.2 to 2.5 Hz
  - Lateral natural frequency > ~ 1.2 to 1.3 HZ











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 Achieve a low probability of adverse comment



Figure 4-1: Comparison of vibration assessment of two footbridges









# **CAPACITY DESIGN**









# **Beam Strengthening Approach**





# **Beam Strengthening Approach**



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# **Beam Section Analysis**



- Analyzed existing and new beam sections with SAP2000 and hand calculations
- Steel checks per AISC 360-16 chapter F7
  - Flexure
  - Combined shear and torsion
  - Weld capacities
- Used to determine required beam strengthening and welds









# **Beam Section Capacity**



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- How do you calculate the section capacity of an existing, built-up, singly symmetric member?
  - Tension
  - Compression
  - Major Axis Bending
  - Minor Axis Bending
  - Shear

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- Torsion
- Check existing welds and size new welds.



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# Major Axis Bending with Section F7 – Square and Rectangular HSS and Box-Shaped Members

- Section F12 directs the designer to determine F<sub>cr</sub> "by analysis"
- Section F7 provides calculations for F<sub>cr</sub> for geometries similar to the built up section
- F1. General Provisions
- F2. Doubly Symmetric Compact I-Shaped Members and Channels Bent About Their Major Axis
- F5. Doubly Symmetric I-Shaped Members with Compact Webs and Noncompact or Slender Flanges Bent About Their Major Axis
- F4. Other I-Shaped Members With Compact or Noncompact Webs Bent About Their Major Axis
- F5. Doubly Symmetric and Singly Symmetric I-Shaped Members With Slender Webs Bent About Their Major Axis
- F6. I-Shaped Members and Channels Bent About Their Minor Axis
- F7. Square and Rectangular HSS and Box-Shaped Members
- F8. Round HSS
- T9. Tees and Double Angles Loaded in the Plane of Symmetry
- F10. Single Angles
- Fil. Rectangular Bars and Rounds
- F12. Unsymmetrical Shapes
- Fi3. Proportions of Beams and Girders









# Major Axis Bending with Section F7 – Square and Rectangular HSS and Box-Shaped Members

- Approximate the built-up section as a "box shaped member"
- Use Section F7 design calculations with section properties of the real built-up
  - section





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### F7. SQUARE AND RECTANGULAR HSS AND BOX-SHAPED MEMBERS

This section applies to square and rectangular *HSS*, and doubly symmetric boxshaped members bent about either axis, having compact or noncompact webs and compact, noncompact or slender flanges as defined in Section B4.1 for flexure.

The nominal flexural strength,  $M_n$ , shall be the lowest value obtained according to the *limit states* of *yielding (plastic moment)*, flange *local buckling* and web local buckling under pure flexure.

**User Note:** Very long rectangular HSS bent about the major axis are subject to *lateral-torsional buckling*; however, the Specification provides no strength equation for this limit state since *beam* deflection will control for all reasonable cases.

1. Yielding

 $M_n = M_p = F_y Z$  (F7-1)

where

Z = plastic section modulus about the axis of bending, in.<sup>3</sup> (mm<sup>3</sup>)

### 2. Flange Local Buckling

(a) For *compact sections*, the *limit state* of flange *local buckling* does not apply.(b) For sections with noncompact flanges

$$M_n = M_p - \left(M_p - F_y S\right) \left(3.57 \frac{b}{t_f} \sqrt{\frac{F_y}{E}} - 4.0\right) \le M_p$$
 (F7-2)

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$$M_n = F_y S_e$$
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where

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$$M_{n} = M_{p} - \left(M_{p} - F_{y}S\right) \left(0.305 \frac{h}{t_{w}} \sqrt{\frac{F_{y}}{E}} - 0.738\right) \le M_{p}$$
(F7-5)



- Start with Flange Local Buckling
- We have slender flanges
- Steps:
- 1. Determine b effective
- 2. Remove remainder of compression flange from cross section
- Calculate new effective section 3. properties













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- Calculate Yielding and Web Local Buckling
- Yielding:
  - Mn =  $M_p = F_y^*Z$
- Web Local Buckling
  - We have noncompact webs
  - Portion of web that can buckle is "h"

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# Major Axis Bending with Section F7 – Square and Rectangular HSS and Box-Shaped Members

 Lowest value of Mn from Yielding, Flange Local Buckling, and Web Local Buckling determines the nominal flexural strength.





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### F7. SQUARE AND RECTANGULAR HSS AND BOX-SHAPED MEMBERS

This section applies to square and rectangular *HSS*, and doubly symmetric boxshaped members bent about either axis, having compact or noncompact webs and compact, noncompact or slender flanges as defined in Section B4.1 for flexure.

The nominal flexural strength,  $M_n$ , shall be the lowest value obtained according to the *limit states* of *yielding (plastic moment)*, flange *local buckling* and web local buckling under pure flexure.

**User Note:** Very long rectangular HSS bent about the major axis are subject to *lateral-torsional buckling*; however, the Specification provides no strength equation for this limit state since *beam* deflection will control for all reasonable cases.

1. Yielding

 $M_n = M_p = F_v Z \tag{F7-1}$ 

where

Z = plastic section modulus about the axis of bending, in.<sup>3</sup> (mm<sup>3</sup>)

### 2. Flange Local Buckling

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Use same approach as major axis with F7 checks





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- Calculate F<sub>cr</sub> based on Q
- Q: Net reduction factor for all slender elements
  - $Q = Q_s Q_a$

### E7. MEMBERS WITH SLENDER ELEMENTS

This section applies to slender-element compression members, as defined in Section B4.1 for elements in uniform compression.

The nominal compressive strength,  $P_n$ , shall be the lowest value based on the applicable limit states of flexural buckling, torsional buckling, and flexural-torsional buckling.

$$P_n = F_{cr} A_g \tag{E7-1}$$

The critical stress,  $F_{cr}$ , shall be determined as follows:

(a) When 
$$\frac{KL}{r} \le 4.71 \sqrt{\frac{E}{QF_y}}$$
 (or  $\frac{QF_y}{F_e} \le 2.25$ )  
 $F_{cr} = Q \left[ 0.658 \frac{QF_y}{F_e} \right] F_y$  (E7-2)  
(b) When  $\frac{KL}{r} > 4.71 \sqrt{\frac{E}{QF_y}}$  (or  $\frac{QF_y}{F_e} > 2.25$ )  
 $F_{cr} = 0.877F_e$  (E7-3)









- Calculate Q<sub>s</sub> for slender *unstiffened* elements
- Calculate Q<sub>a</sub> for slender *stiffened* elements
- $Q = Q_s * Q_a$
- Use Q to calculate F<sub>cr</sub>

### Slender unstiffened elements:







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# Shear Capacity with Section G2 – Members with Unstiffened or Stiffened Webs

 Calculate the shear capacity of individual web elements and add them all together.



### G2. MEMBERS WITH UNSTIFFENED OR STIFFENED WEBS

### 1. Shear Strength

This section applies to webs of singly or doubly symmetric members and channels subject to shear in the plane of the web.

The nominal shear strength,  $V_n$ , of unstiffened or stiffened webs according to the *limit states* of *shear yielding* and *shear buckling*, is

$$V_n = 0.6F_y A_w C_v \tag{G2-1}$$

1/2" Plates:	HSS 6x4x3/16"	3/16" Plates:	8"x3/4" Plates:
h/tw = 9.5"/0.5" = 19	h/tw = 5.478"/0.174" = 31.5	h/tw = 24"/0.1875" = 128	h/tw = 8"/0.75" = 10.7
1.1*sqrt(kv*E/Fy) = 59.2	1.1*sqrt(kv*E/Fy) = 59.2	1.1*sqrt(kv*E/Fy) = 59.2	1.1*sqrt(kv*E/Fy) = 29.0
and the second of the second of the second distribution		1.37*sqrt(kv*E/Fy) = 73.8	1.37*sqrt(kv*E/Fy) = 36.14
h/tw < 1.1*sqrt(kv*E/Fy)	h/tw < 1.1*sqrt(kv*E/Fy)		
Such Such		h/tw > 1.37*sqrt(kv*E/Fy)	h/tw < 1.1*sart(kv*E/Fy)
so C v = 1	so C v = 1		
		so C_v = 1.51k_v*E/ ((h/tw)^2 Fy)	so C_v = 1

V\_n = 0.6 \* (50 ksi) \* [ (9.5 in<sup>2</sup> \* 1) \* (3.8 in<sup>2</sup> \* 1) \* (9 in<sup>2</sup> \* 0.267) \* (12 in<sup>2</sup> \* 1)] = 831 kips

V\_c = phi\_v \* V\_n = 0.9\*831 = 747.9 kips









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 $\label{eq:V_n} V_n = 0.6 * (50 \mbox{ ksi}) * [\ (16 \mbox{ in}^2 * 0.926) + (15 \mbox{ in}^2 * 1) + (2.4 \mbox{ in}^2 * 1) + (4.92 \mbox{ in}^2 * 1) + (12 \mbox{ in}^2 * 1)] = 1474 \mbox{ kips} \\ V_c = phi_v * V_n = 0.9 * 1474 = 1327 \mbox{ kips} \mbox{ (Reinforced Heavy Option)}$ 









# Torsion Capacity with Section H2 – HSS Subject to Combined Torsion Shear, Flexure, and Axial Force

- The beam section is required to carry torsion from dead load (due to the curvature of the beam and the eccentric deck), and torsion from wind and unbalanced live loads on the deck.
- We don't have an HSS section, but the approach is to analyze a conservative simplification "box" structure











# **Torsion Capacity with Section H2 – HSS Subject to Combined Torsion Shear, Flexure, and Axial Force**

- Need to calculate C, the torsional constant
- Need to calculate F<sub>cr</sub>



User Note: The torsional constant, C, may be conservatively taken as:

For rectangular HSS:  $C = 2(B-t)(H-t)t - 4.5(4-\pi)t^3$ 

For round HSS:  $C = \frac{\pi (D-t)^2 t}{2}$ 

# **Capacity Diagram**

Where Tr < 0.2 Tc:  
(a) When 
$$\frac{P_r}{P_c} \ge 0.2$$
  
 $\frac{P_r}{P_c} + \frac{8}{9} \left( \frac{M_{rx}}{M_{cx}} + \frac{M_{ry}}{M_{cy}} \right) \le 1.0$   
(b) When  $\frac{P_r}{P_c} < 0.2$   
 $\frac{P_r}{2P_c} + \left( \frac{M_{rx}}{M_{cx}} + \frac{M_{ry}}{M_{cy}} \right) \le 1.0$ 

Where Tr > 0.2 Tc:

$$\left(\frac{P_r}{P_c} + \frac{M_r}{M_c}\right) + \left(\frac{V_r}{V_c} + \frac{T_r}{T_c}\right)^2 \le 1.0$$











# **Beam Weld Calculations**

- New and existing welds must transfer flexural and torsional shear flows
- q denotes shear flow
  - $q = q_f + q_t$
- For flexure, q<sub>f</sub>=VQ/I
  - V is shear
  - Q is A\*y and changes on each weld
  - I is moment of inertia
- For torsion, q<sub>t</sub>=Tt/C
  - T is torsion
  - t is member thickness
  - C is torsional shear constant, consistent for the whole section










# CONSTRUCTION CHALLENGES & INNOVATION









# **BUILDING IN THE WOODS**











# **BUILDING NEXT TO EXISTING STRUCTURES**



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# **BUILDING OVER WETLANDS & MARSHES**













### **BUILDING OVER GUESTS & EXHIBITS**













# **BUILDING OVER WATER**







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# **ORIGINAL TROLLEY**















# THE NEW TROLLEY









































- Remove Bus Bars
- Test & Inspect the Entire Monorail
- Weld & Repair as Required
- Remove / Relocate Existing Conduit & Fiber
- Install 10 X 10 X 3/4" Stiffener Angle to Underside of Entire Trail













Section "A"























# **MODULAR SECTIONS**



Section F-F

























































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