







MANHATTAN WEST PLATFORM

NEW YORK CITY

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Facts





- Brookfield was looking for a solution to create a 7 million square foot development
- Railway tracks are partially uncovered 55 ft below grade





Challenges

- Working in the heart of Manhattan over one of the **busiest railway** tracks in the World
- Avoid touch down at track level
- Outages available of less than 2 hours



And the solution is....



"... a <u>Post Tensioned</u> <u>segmental platform</u> that allows to bridge the gap without any columns or supports built at the track level"



Design Features

- •110,000 SQUARE FEET OF SEGMENTAL PLATFORM
- •38 PRE-ENGINEERED FUTURE COLUMN OPENINGS
- •3 UNITS SEPARATED BY MOVEMENT JOINTS
- •NOTCH FOR FUTURE BUILDING
- •6" STRUCTURAL SLAB
- DUAL PURPOSE AS **FIRE VENTILATION** SYSTEM
- •STRADDLES CATENARY STRUCTURES •SUB LEVEL FOR **PLAZA**





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- 240' SIMPLE SPAN, 2400 TONS/GIRDER
- 11'-6" DEPTH PLUS 6" CIP STRUCTURAL SLAB
- 16 GIRDERS, SIDE BY SIDE 480' TOTAL WIDTH

• 9500 PSI CONCRETE **100 TONS** OF POST-TENSIONING PER GIRDER

• 20 x 37-STRAND & 14 X 31-STRAND TENDONS



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Design Features













COMPRESSIVE STRESS LIMITS:

- 5600 psi COMPRESSION IN BOTTOM SLAB DURING CONSTRUCTION
- COUNTERWEIGHT DURING POST-TENSIONING & GROUTING
- 5500 psi COMPRESSION IN TOP SLAB WITH FULL LIVE LOAD
- NEAR ZERO COMPRESSION IN BOTTOM SLAB WITH FULL LIVE LOAD

50 kips per foot per girder Top and Bottom Slab Stresses under Full Live Load 0 -1 **Stress (psi)** -3 —TOP SLAB BOTTOM SLAB **—**0.6 f'c -5 -6 -100 -75 -50 -25 25 50 75 100 -125 125 Dis





END ANCHOR SEGMENT INTEGRATION:

- 4'-2" LONG, 56 TON SEGMENT
- 20 x 37-STRAND ANCHORS
- 6 x 31-STRAND ANCHORS
- 4 x 7-STRAND TRANSVERSE TENDONS
- 12 x 1.25" DIA PERMANENT PT BARS
- 8 x 3" DIA BARS FOR LIFTING
- BEARING RECESS
- 9000 LBS (350 lbs/CY) REBAR
- OVER 200 FORM-SAVERS / T-HEADS







FUTURE COLUMN OPENINGS: • EXTREME COMPRESSION IN TOP SLAB • 5' X 5' CLEAR OPENINGS FOR COLUMNS ALIGNED WITH CLOSURES BETWEEN GIRDERS • 1.5" STEEL PLATE WITH NELSON STUDS PLATES SPLICED ACROSS SEGMENT JOINTS •12 - #9 BARS TO RESIST SPLITTING • MECHANICAL BAR-LOCK COUPLERS • FULL-PEN FIELD WELDS • DEBRIS PLATE • TOLERANCE



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BOTTOM TENDON ANCHORAGES:

•31-STRAND TENDONS ANCHORED IN 6' LONG SEGMENTS
•ANCHOR IN ONE SEGMENT AND DEVIATE IN THE NEXT
•20' DIA BEND RADIUS USING TIGHT-RADIUS PLASTIC DUCT







TIGHT RADIUS PLASTIC DUCT



MOVEMENT JOINTS:

- +/- 3" DIFFERENTIAL DEFLECTION
- +/- 3¹/₂" LONGITUDINAL MOVEMENT
- +/- 1 ¹/₂" LATERAL MOVEMENT
- STAY-IN-PLACE DECK FORMS
- CAST-IN ANGLE ARMORING
- ELASTOMERIC BEARING WITH TEFLON
 & STAINLESS SLIDING SURFACE
- FIRE BREAK







Construction Management

All the work on site has been **subcontracted** to **local** companies



MANAGEMENT ROLE:

- Provide the know-how and technical support for the execution of segmental works
- Ensure the highest standard of quality in all the operations



Key stake holders



- **DEAL** is the designer and manufacturer of all the specialized equipment
- **TENSA** is supplying all the material, equipment and supervision for PT and grouting operations
- McNARY BERGERON is the Engineer of Record
- Platform erection in partnership with METROPOLITAN WALTERS
- JOHN CIVETTA & Sons is providing all cast in place operations



Construction Sequence

- 1. Precast Operations
- 2. Temporary Protection Platform installation (Only column touch down at track level!)
- 3. Launching Gantry & Straddle Carrier Assembly
- 4. Span 3 & 4 assembly over TPP





Construction Sequence

- 5. Top Slab and Diaphragm Cast in Place
- Relocation of underslung bed over Span 3&4
- 7. Removal of TPP
- 8. Erection of remaining Spans and Completion of Cast in Place





Precast operation





- Precast operations subcontracted to JERSEY PRECAST
- Permanent supervision by RdE at the manufacturing plant
- Molds and geometry control provided by DEAL



Temporary Protection Platform



- Provided initial protection for the railway tracks
- Served as underslung bed for LG assembly, and Span 3 & 4 erection





Erection Site Layout



- Up to 39 segments stored in a 6,100 square feet yard(145'x42')
- New York Real Estate..! → Tight spaces for material handling



Winch Gantry & Underslung System





- Picks up segments by means of the C-hook
- Places segments on top of the underslung equipment
- Each segment temporary seats on 3 screw jacks



Launching Girder





- LG movement speed 10 ft / min
- Span Lowering speed: 0.5 ft / min
- Lowering system with hydraulic cylinder – pin – slotted bars system
 - 3600t SWL

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Typical Span Assembly Sequence

Segment Loading of Span "n" on the underslung

Epoxy & 1st stage PT

Relocation of the Span "n" to the secondary stage area

Secondary stage PT & Grouting on Span "n"

Erection of Span "n"

Segment Loading of Span "n+1" on the underslung

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Relocation of the Span "n" to the secondary stage area

Secondary stage PT & Grouting on Span "n+1"

Erection of Span "n+1"







Cast in place



- All the deck is covered with a 6" CIP slab
- CIP in between pier segments to create 3 solid structures



Span Relocation and Load Test





The Ugly Photos















First Girder Snow Load Test









Advantages \rightarrow the new frontier of the real estate development!

- Minimal disruption of railway traffic
- Precast concrete to allow a 100 years design life
- Solution customizable to many different urban sites





- Combination of top down
 and precast speeds up
 construction operations
- Fast and versatile way of creating Real Estate





Thank you for your attention!

QUESTIONS?

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