

# 2016 PTI Convention Long Beach, California



## Technical Session 1 Bridge Design and Construction



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# New Gerald Desmond Cable Stay Bridge Replacement

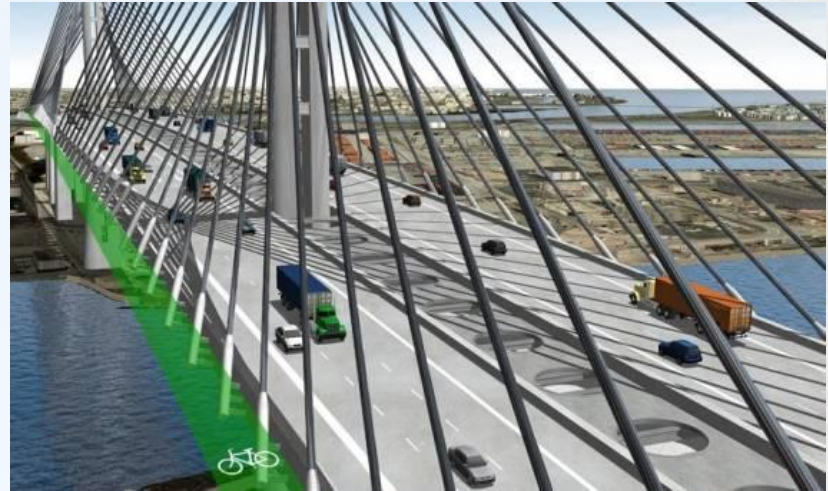


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# Presentation Goals:

- History of Existing Bridge
- Replacement Bridge
  - New vs. Old
  - Award, Schedule, Cost
  - Design Build
  - New Bridge Details
  - Various Construction Methods
    - Heavy Lifting - Pier Tables
    - Access - Deck & Pylon
    - Foundation Method – Tip Grouting
    - Balanced Cantilever Construction - Main Span
    - MSS (Mobile Scaffolding System) - Approaches



# History of Existing Bridge

- Steel Arch Bridge
  - Ground breaking in 1965 & completed in 1968
  - Clearance is 155 Ft
  - Main Span is 410 Ft
- Key link connecting Port of Long Beach to surrounding area and 710 Freeway
- Approximately 15% of nations containerized water cargo crosses the bridge
- Has become unable to accommodate larger container ships underneath its span & the greater traffic across its deck





# Building a New Bridge

- New vs. Old
- Ships are now 6 times larger than in 1968
- Affecting other bridges
  - Bayonne Bridge in NY
  - Panama Canal
    - large containers

## Building a new bridge

The Gerald Desmond Bridge is an arch bridge originally built in 1968 that carries four lanes of traffic across the Cerritos Channel between Terminal Island and Long Beach. Over the years the bridge has developed maintenance issues and the Port of Long Beach plans to replace it.

**Current Gerald Desmond Bridge**  
(Arch structure)



**Gerald Desmond replacement bridge**  
(Cable-supported structure)



The new Gerald Desmond Bridge will feature six traffic lanes and higher clearance for larger ships. There are also certain advantages to the replacement. The structure is economical, strong yet flexible, slender and lighter, which is an advantage in earthquake-prone areas such as California.

Sources: OPAC Consulting Engineers Inc.; Port of Long Beach

Paul Penzella Staff Artist

# New Bridge Award, Schedule, Cost

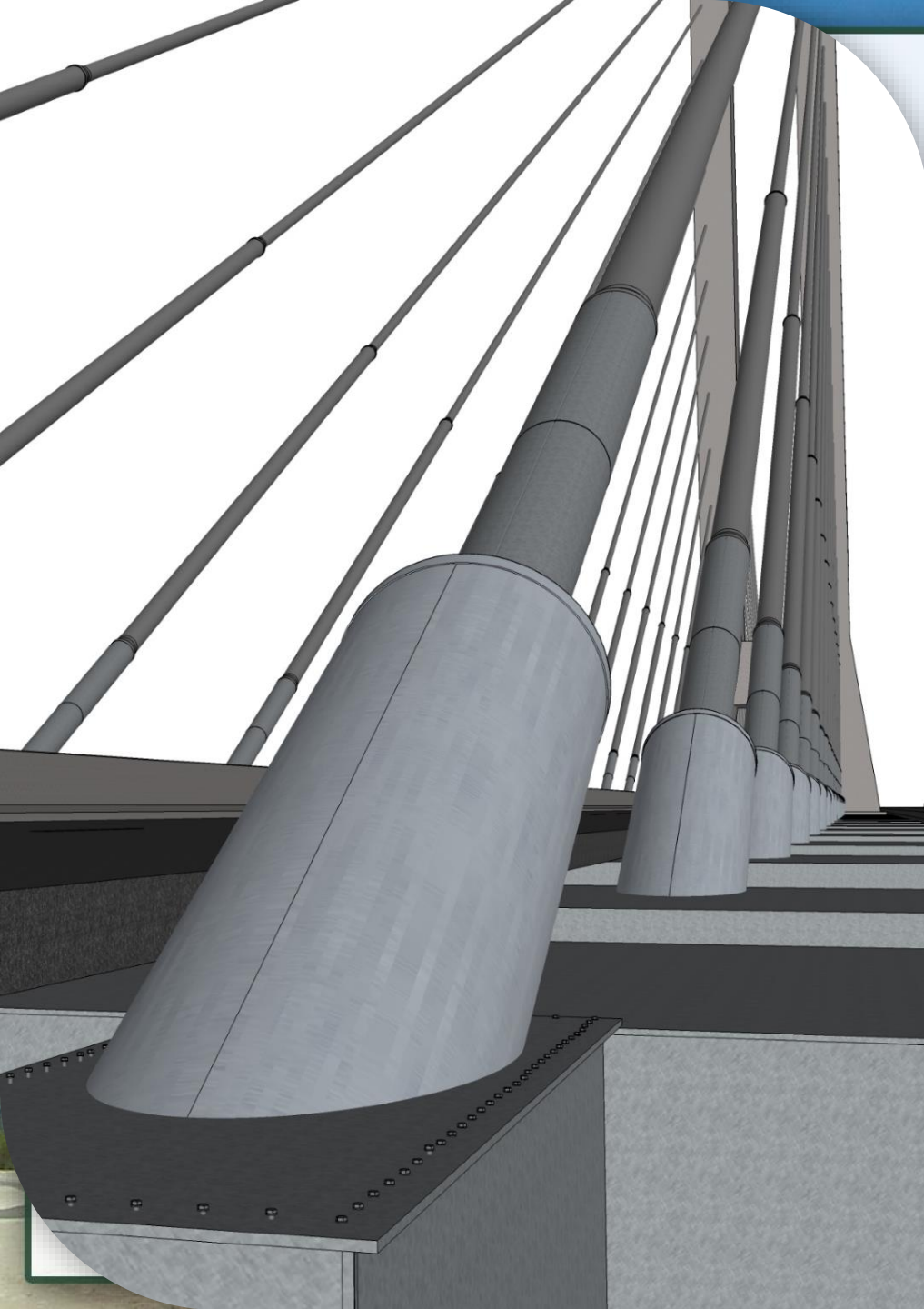
- Owner - Port of Long Beach
- Design Build awarded to SFI in 2012
  - Shimmick Construction Co, Inc; FCC Construction; S.A. Impregilo S.P.A.
- Original Completion was 2016
  - Towers were redesigned
- New Completion is now 2018
- Final Cost is anticipated to be around 1.5 billion

# New Replacement Bridge Design

- Design Build
- Cable Stays/Armor/Fire Protection
  - Awarded to VSL
    - Scope-
      - Furnish & Install VSL SSI 2000 Cable Stay System
      - Furnish & Install VSL Friction Dampers
      - Furnish & Install VSL/Hardwire Armor & Fire Protection
      - Stay Installation is schedule to begin in November 2016 with completion in June 2017
      - Armoring will begin in June 2017 with completion by Sept





A detailed 3D architectural rendering of a stay cable system. It shows multiple thick, grey, cylindrical stay cables extending from a bridge deck down to a concrete pier. The cables are bundled together and feature a segmented armor design. The background is a clear blue sky.

# Integrated Stay Cable Solution

Stays | Armor | Fire



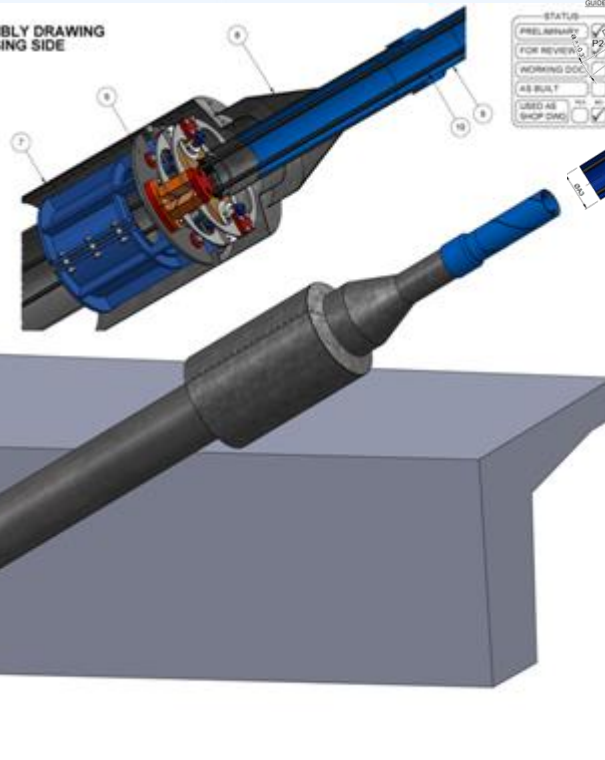
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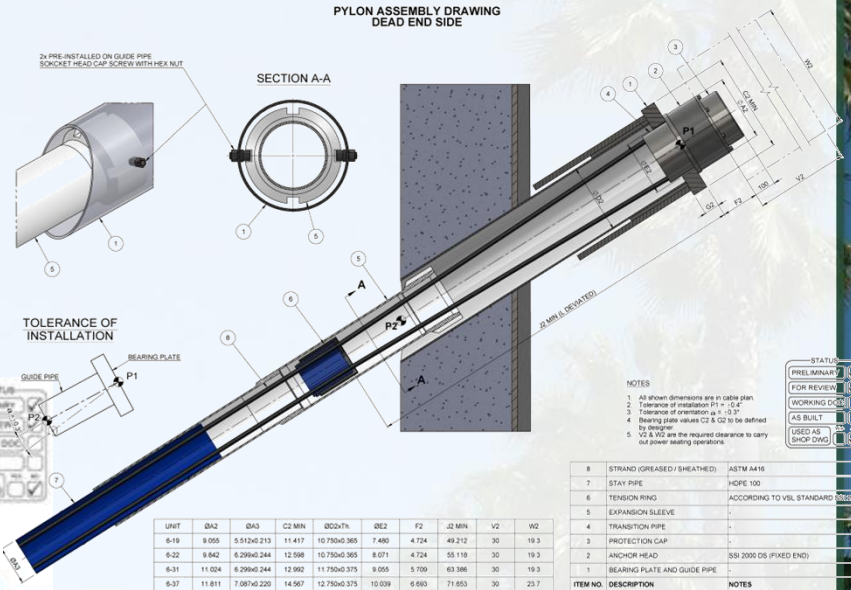
# Stays- SSI 2000 System

STRAND (GREASED/SHEATHED)	ASTM A418
STAY PIPE	HDPE 100
ANTI-VANDALISM PIPE	-
DAMPER CASING	IN 2 PARTS ASSEMBLED WITH RIVETS
FRICTION DAMPER	-
TRANSITION PIPE	LENGTH = 500mm
PROTECTION CAP	-
RING NUT	-
ANCHOR HEAD	SSI 2000 DS (ADJUSTABLE)
BEARING PLATE & GUIDE PIPE	-
NO. DESCRIPTION	NOTES

DECK ASSEMBLY DRAWING  
STRESSING SIDE



PYLON ASSEMBLY DRAWING  
DEAD END SIDE



# Armor/Fire Protection

- VSL will design, fabricate and install armor and fire protection on GDB
- This is becoming more of standard for cable supported bridges - 3 under contract presently
- PTI now requires fire protection on all cable stay bridges
- Protection starts at the roadway and terminates at a certain height above the deck



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# New Replacement Bridge Design

- Multi-strand Post-Tensioning
  - Awarded to DSI
  - Approaches
    - Longitudinal & Bent Cap Tendons- 27 x 0.6" strands
    - Transverse tendons in Deck – 4 x 0.6" strands
  - Main Span Precast Tendons – 12 x 0.6" strands





# New Replacement Bridge Details

- Cable Stay Bridge Details

- 205 Ft. of clearance off water
  - 40 Ft. higher than existing bridge
- Main Span is 1000 Ft. long (two towers)
  - Stay support length is 2000 Ft
- Longer approaches to accommodate increased height
- Towers are 310 Ft high from deck



# New Replacement Bridge Details

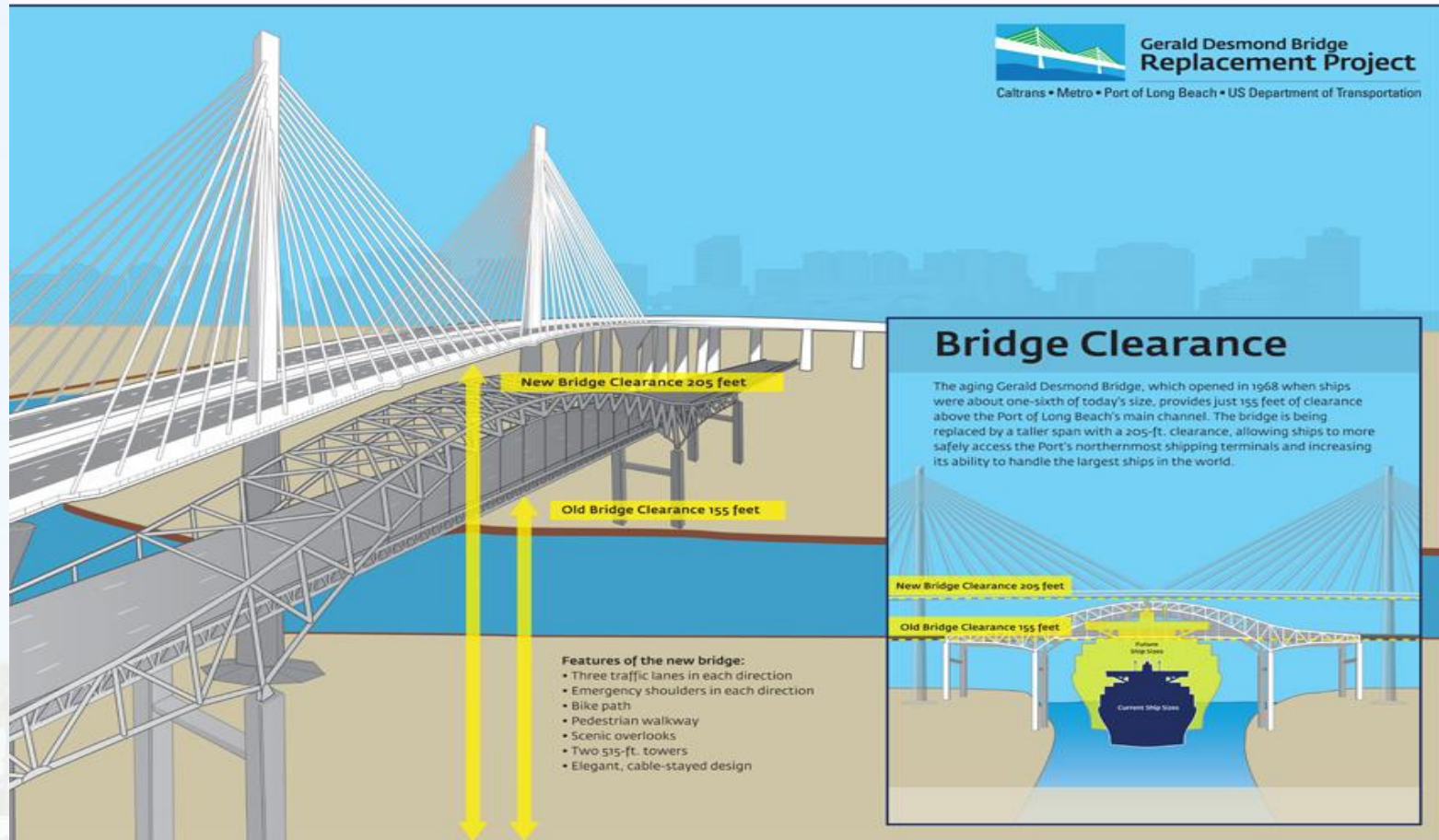
- 80 Stays Total
- Longest stay- 572 ft
- Shortest stay- 236 ft
- Sizes range from 6-43 to 6-85



- Bike & pedestrian path on one side of bridge
- Scenic overlook
- Six lanes vs. four lanes on existing bridge
- Main Span is steel box girder with steel floor beams with precast panels.
- Steel field sections to be fully assembled and brought in by barge and erected with lifters supplied by Deal



# New Replacement Bridge Details





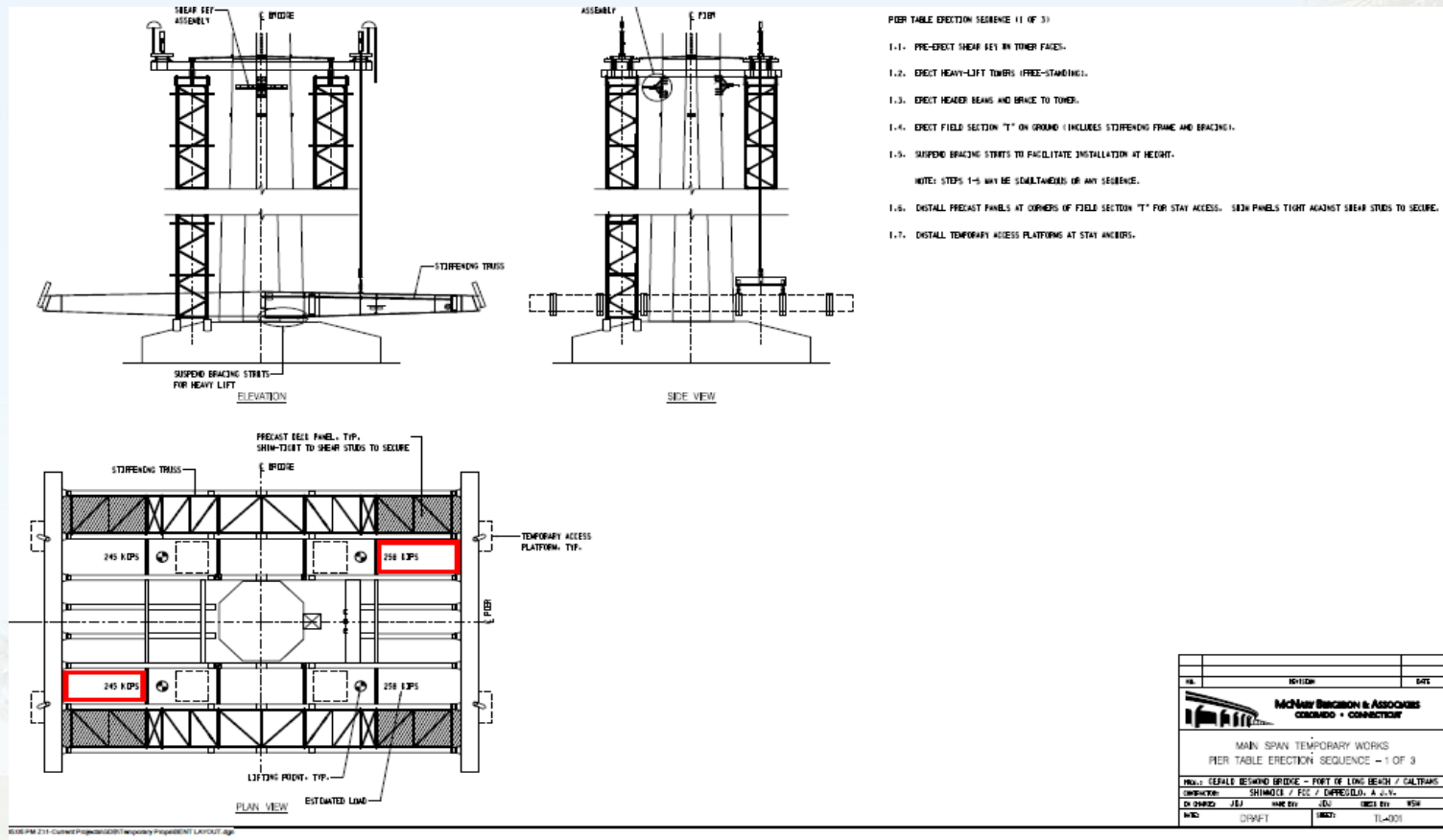
# New Bridge Construction Methods

- Balanced cantilevered construction- Main Span – (one segment out of balance)
- Strand by Strand Installation
- AMS (Automatic Stressing)



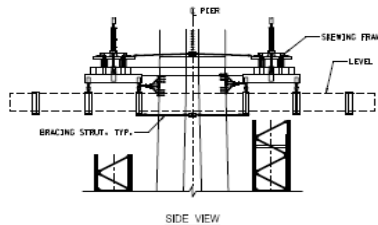
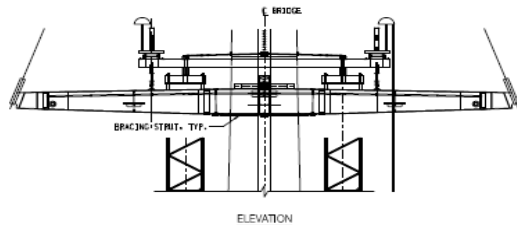
# New Bridge Construction Methods

- Heavy Lifting of Pier Tables



# New Bridge Construction Methods

## • Heavy Lifting of Pier Tables



### PIER TABLE ERECTION SEQUENCE (2 OF 3)

2.1. USE STRAND JACKS TO LIFT FIELD SECTION "T" (LEVEL).

NOTE: REFER TO SHEET TW-003 FOR CAMBER / ELEVATION ADJUSTMENTS.

2.2. INSTALL SAFETY BARS.

2.3. INSTALL BRACING STRUTS.

2.4. PERFORM SURVEY. LOOSEN BRACING STRUTS AND USE SKEWING FRAME TO ADJUST FOR LINE AND LONGITUDINAL OFFSET.

2.5. TIGHTEN BRACING STRUTS AFTER ANY ADJUSTMENT.

2.6. PERFORM CONFORMATION SURVEY.

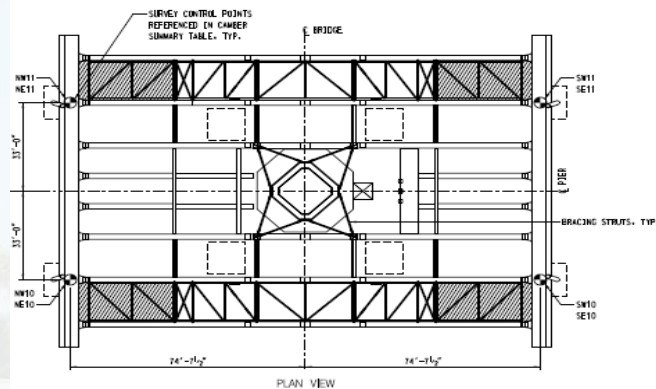
2.7. INSTALL AND STRESS CABLE PAIRS 10 AND 11 PER THE STAY STRESSING SCHEDULE (THIS SHEET).

NOTE: RE-CHECK AND TIGHTEN BRACING STRUTS DURING STAY STRESSING.

2.8. RELEASE ANY REMAINING LOAD IN THE LIFTING JACKS.

2.9. REMOVE SAFETY BARS.

2.10. CUT OFF PAD EYES.



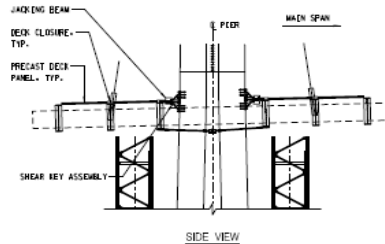
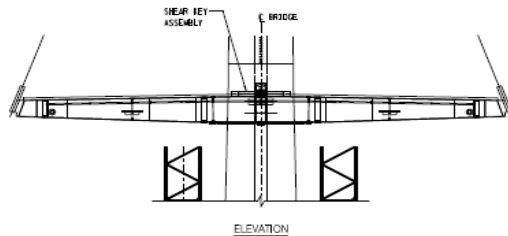
STAY STRESSING SCHEDULE					
PHASE	PIER 16 PIER 17	NW10 NE10	SW10 SE10	NW11 NE11	SW11 SE11
2.7. STRESS STAYS (INITIAL) (STRESS TO FORCE - GRADUATED INCREMENTS)					
TOTAL FORCE (KIPS)		265	271	265	271
NOL STRANDS		42	44	42	44
1ST STRAND (KIPS)		18.60	19.09	18.60	19.09
INCREMENT (KIPS)		-6.30	-6.30	-6.30	-6.30
LAST STRAND (KIPS)		6.31	6.16	6.31	6.16
AVG. / STRAND (KIPS)		6.31	6.16	6.31	6.16
3.4. PLACE PRECAST DECK PANELS (PASSIVE LOADING)					
TOTAL FORCE (KIPS)		607	614	607	614
AVG. / STRAND (KIPS)		14.45	13.95	14.45	13.95
3.5. RE-STRESS STAYS 11 FOR GRADE * (STRESS TO ELONGATION: 8 PASSES @ 2.78" = 22.20")					
TOTAL FORCE (KIPS)		607	614	607	614
AVG. / STRAND (KIPS)		14.45	13.95	14.45	13.95
3.7. RE-STRESS STAYS 10 & 11 * (STRESS FOR GEOMETRY: NOMINAL STROKE = 1.50")					
TOTAL FORCE (KIPS)		607	614	607	614
AVG. / STRAND (KIPS)		14.45	13.95	14.45	13.95
* FOR NOTED PHASES, STRESS ALL STRANDS TO THE SAME ELONGATION. MAXIMUM UNBALANCE FOR NORTH AND SOUTH STAYS = 2 STRANDS.					

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MAIN SPAN TEMPORARY WORKS PIER TABLE ERECTION SEQUENCE - 2 OF 3		
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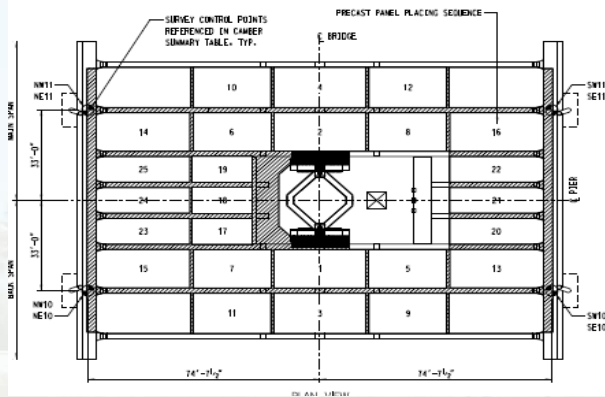
# New Bridge Construction Methods

## • Heavy Lifting of Pier Tables



### PIER TABLE ERECTION SEQUENCE (3 OF 3)

- 3.1. REMOVE HEADER BEAMS AND TOWER SECTIONS THAT EXTEND ABOVE DECK LEVEL.
  - 3.2. PERFORM SURVEY. MAKE FINAL ADJUSTMENTS FOR LINE AND LONGITUDINAL OFFSET USING BRACING STRUTS.
  - 3.3. INSTALL PRECAST PANELS PER THE PANEL PLACING SEQUENCE (THIS SHEET).
- NOTE: AFTER PLACING FIRST PANEL, MAKE  $\frac{1}{8}$ " GAP AT BACK-SPAN BRACING STRUTS. VERIFY GAP AFTER EVERY PANEL IS PLACED.
- 3.4. REINFORCE AND CAST DECK CLOSURES.
  - 3.5. RE-STRESS STAY PAIR 11 PER THE STAY STRESSING SCHEDULE (TM-002).
- NOTE: RE-CHECK AND TIGHTEN BRACING STRUTS DURING STAY STRESSING.
- 3.6. PERFORM SURVEY.
  - 3.7. RESTRESS ALL STAYS PER THE STAY STRESSING SCHEDULE FOR REDUCED ERECTION ELEVATIONS (NOMINAL STROKE = 1.5").
  - 3.8. FORM AND REINFORCE JACKING BEAM / SHEAR KEY.
  - 3.9. AFTER JACKING BEAM / SHEAR KEY CONCRETE REACHES 4000 PSI, RELEASE AND REMOVE BRACING STRUTS.
  - 3.10. PROCEED WITH DECK ERECTION.
  - 3.11. AFTER ERECTING ADJACENT FIELD SECTIONS AND CASTING DECK CLOSURES, THE STIFFENING TRUSSES MAY BE REMOVED.



CAMBER SUMMARY	INCREMENTAL DEFLECTIONS (FT)				ELEVATION ADJUSTMENTS (FT)			
	NW10	SW10	NW11	SW11	NW10	SW10	NW11	SW11
PIER 16								
PIER 17	NE10	SE10	NE11	SE11	NE10	SE10	NE11	SE11
2.1. LIFT STEEL	-0.400	-0.417	-0.400	-0.417	-0.005	-0.003	-1.192	-1.193
2.7. STRESS STAYS (INITIAL)	+0.400	+0.417	+0.400	+0.417	+0.375	+0.364	-1.392	-1.377
3.4. PLACE PRECAST DECK PANELS	-0.270	-0.259	-0.270	-0.259	+0.104	+0.105	-1.662	-1.635
3.5. RE-STRESS STAYS 11 FOR GRADE	0.000	0.000	+1.740	+1.740	+0.104	+0.105	-0.078	-0.104
3.7. RE-STRESS STAYS 10 & 11	+0.118	+0.118	+0.118	+0.118	+0.222	+0.222	+0.195	+0.222
— SUPERIMPOSED DEFLECTIONS	-0.222	-0.222	-0.195	-0.222	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
TOTAL	-0.375	-0.364	-1.392	-1.377				
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# New Bridge Construction Methods

- Tower Crane at Each Pier - Access

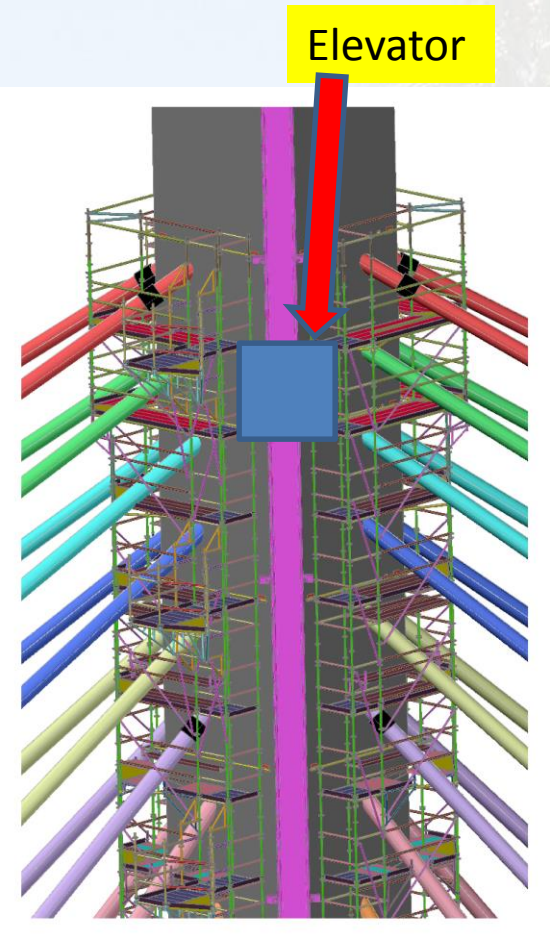


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# New Bridge Construction Methods

- Fully Scaffold Towers - Access
  - with elevator for stay install





# New Bridge Construction Methods

- Foundations
  - 3200 yards of concrete in pier foundations
  - Continuous pour for 24 hours



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# New Bridge Construction Methods

- Tip Grouting on Foundations
  - Not common on Caltrans Projects
  - Used on approximate 6 projects in US
    - John James Audubon Bridge
      - » Article by Steven Dapp, Ph.D., P.E.
      - » Dan Brown, Ph.D., P.E.
- Benefits of Tip Grouting
  - Increases the ultimate tip capacity
  - Tip is able to contribute to useful capacity
  - Provides proof load of capacity for all shafts on site





# New Bridge Construction Methods

- When to Consider Tip Grouting
  - Sandy bearing stratum
  - Shaft tip is difficult to clean or keep clean
  - Increase reliability- proof load every shaft
  - Gaining acceptance in US
- Mass Concrete Pours
  - Majority of foundation and bent cap pours utilized a cooling system



# New Bridge Construction Methods

- MSS (Mobile Scaffolding System)



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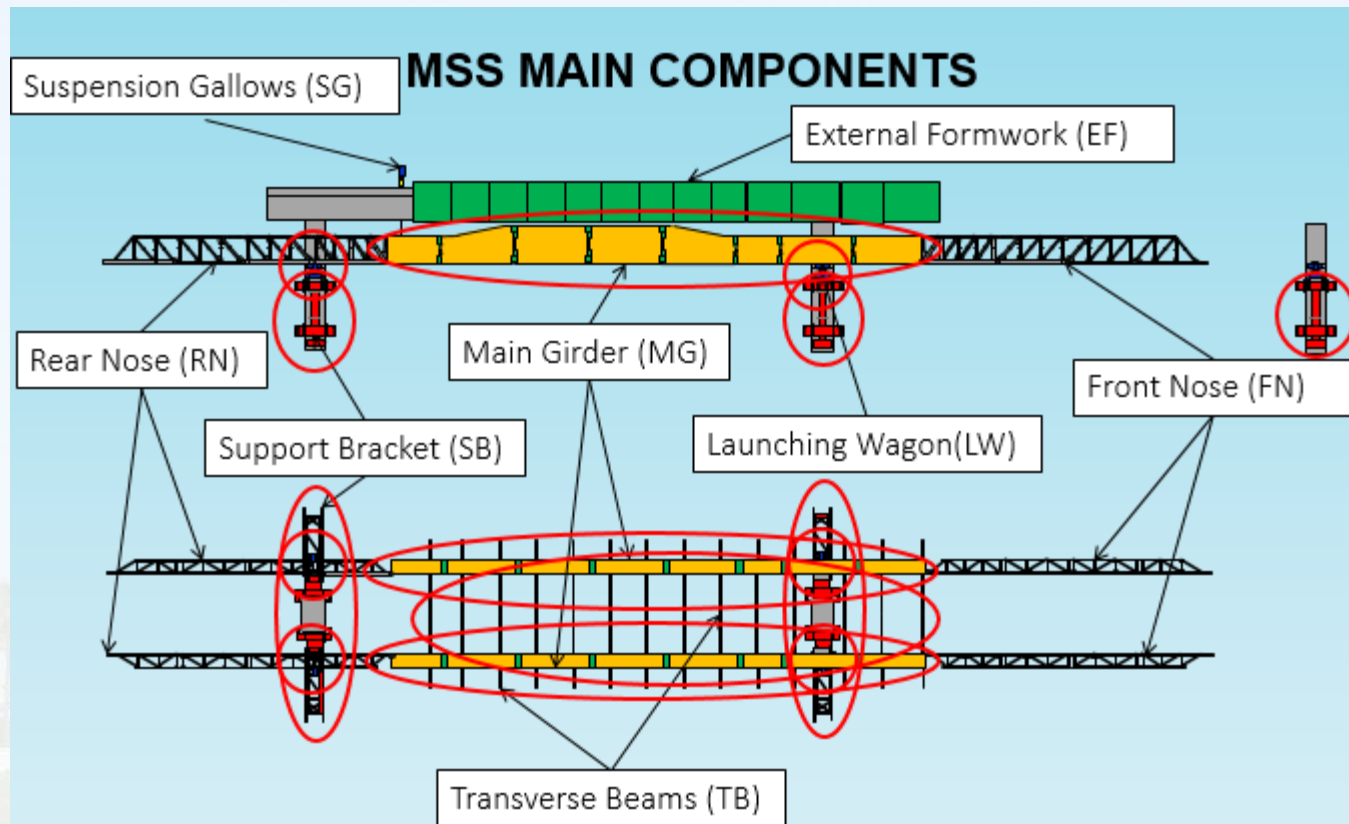
- MSS – Used on E&W Approaches





# New Bridge Construction Methods

- MSS



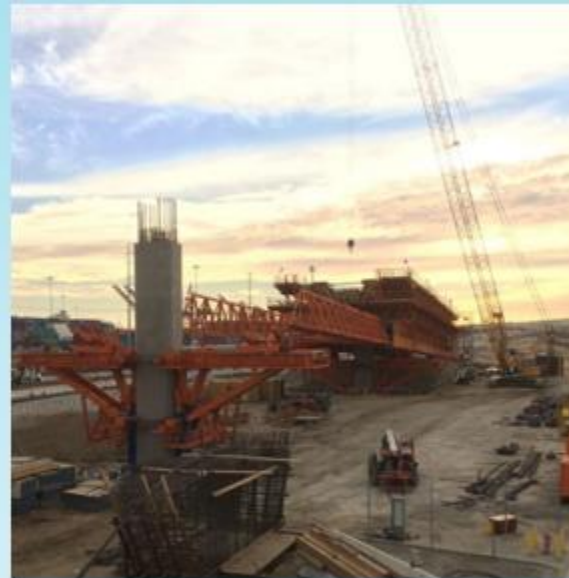


# New Bridge Construction Methods

- MSS



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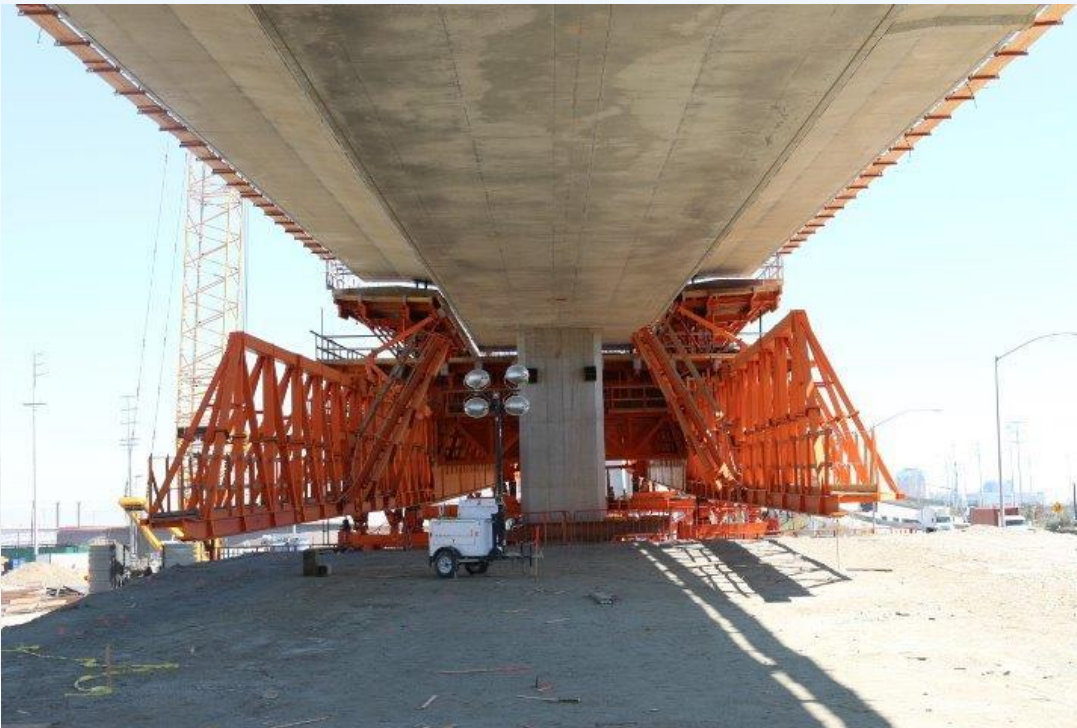
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# New Bridge Construction Methods

- **Movable Scaffolding System MSS**
- MSS replaces conventional falsework means and methods when constructing in unsuitable ground conditions and heights greater than 150 feet
- Approximately 50,000 bolts per MSS, 22,000 of the total are torqued
- Approximately 14,200 pieces, each marked with their own unique I.D.

# New Bridge Construction Methods

- MSS – first time used in North America
- MSS Video for First Launch



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# Project Team

- Project Team:

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|-------------------------|----------------------|
| – Owner                 | Port of Long Beach   |
| – General Contractor    | SFI JV               |
| – Design Engineer       | Arup                 |
| – Construction Engineer | Arup/McNary Bergeron |
| – Stays                 | VSL                  |
| – PT                    | DSI                  |

# Thank You!

# Questions ?



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