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Chapter Sixty-one

BRIDGE DECKS

61-1.0BACKGROUND

61-1.01 Bridge Deck and Superstructure Type

The *LRFD Specifications* encourages the integration of the deck with the primary components of the superstructure by means of either composite or monolithic action. The deck sometimes becomes the superstructure, or the deck may disappear as a separate structural component, leading to confusion in definition. The method of categorizing bridge superstructures described herein is based essentially on the type of modeling required for analysis. The categories for which the superstructure type designations, as provided in Figure 59-3B, are applied, are as follows:

- a. Category I: Thin Decks. These include all decks made of concrete, steel, wood, or any combination thereof, usually not exceeding 300 mm in depth, supported by straight or curved line components, and which are treated as follows:
 - a. designed as strips to satisfy specified limit states for a single line of wheels;
 - b. designed empirically by satisfying a specified set of conditions; or
 - c. selected from the manufacturer's table, whose content is verified as required by the *LRFD Specifications*.
- b. Category II: Deck Systems. These include types G3, G4, L1, and L2.
- c. Category III: Slab Bridges. These include types A and B.
- d. Category IV: Spine Beams. These include types C, D1, D2, and H.
- e. Category V: Multiple Beams. These include types E1, F, G1, G2, I, J, L3, and L4.
- f. Category VI: Multiple Boxes. These include types E2 and K.

This Chapter addresses the design of Categories I and II only. No separate decks exist in Category III. The deck parts in Category IV are designed either in accordance with Category I, or by satisfying minimum requirements, or by special design provisions (e.g., long cantilever overhangs). The deck parts in Category V are designed in accordance with Category I. The same applies to Category VI, except where deck force effects are determined using two-dimensional analyses.

The *LRFD Specifications* (Article 9.5.5) mandates that a deck withstands the vehicular collision force effects generated by the yield resistance of the barrier. For that reason, barriers are treated as a part of the deck. The *LRFD Specifications* also promotes the use of structurally continuous composite barriers, as described herein in conjunction with perimeter beams. The problem of discontinuity in the deck caused by drainage facilities is also discussed.

For the design of the deck, by using either the strip method or the empirical method, open box beams, either flared or rectangular in cross section, may be considered as two separate beams. Open box beams include superstructure types C, D2, E2, H, and K.

61-1.02 Crack Control in Beam-Supported Concrete Deck Slab

A bridge deck which was designed in accordance with superseded AASHTO Specifications almost never fails under loads. If failure occurs, it is invariably precipitated by non-load type actions such as the disintegration of the concrete as a material due to freeze-thaw, carbonation, solar radiation, toxic chemicals, etc., and the cracking of the concrete due to corrosion of metallic elements in the concrete.

There are more than 20 parameters that may potentially affect cracking, and there appears to be not any one parameter that acts as the primary source of distress. Cracking is the cumulative effect of unfavorable variations in a few key parameters, and only these will be discussed herein. For a discussion on all of the parameters, see NCHRP Report 380.

Cracking is caused by tensile stresses exceeding the tensile strength of the concrete. This discussion addresses only those tensile stresses which are caused by restrained volumetric changes such as the following:

1. shrinkage of concrete;
2. residual hydration temperature strains; and
3. corrosion of reinforcing steel.

Restraint to volumetric changes can be either external or internal, as described below.

61-1.02(01) External Restraint

External restraint is usually the result of composite action, either voluntary or involuntary, between the concrete deck and the beams, in which the shortening of the deck due to shrinkage and residual temperature strains is resisted by the beam. The action develops tensile force in the deck, an equal compressive force in the beam, and moments in both because of the eccentric application of this force. The maximum tensile stress occurs at the bottom of the deck.

61-1.02(02) Internal Restraint

The incompatibility between concrete and reinforcing steel has often been ignored, namely that, by resisting shrinkage strains, the steel sets up tensile stresses in the concrete. A tensile ring develops around the bar and, if the bar is transverse, this annular stress is additive to the tensile stress caused by the external, longitudinal restraint.

61-1.02(03) Shrinkage

The total shrinkage value particular to a given concrete mix design cannot be influenced by the method of construction. The cracks usually appear very soon after concrete placement, and that cracking often depends on the rate of shrinkage, the rate of gaining tensile strength, and the plastic creep capacity of the concrete. There is a lack of information available on the interaction among these three parameters. However, it is reasonable to assume that the application of wet curing and the retention of moisture by means of impervious sheeting decelerate both the rate of shrinkage and the loss of plasticity without impeding the gain in tensile strength.

61-1.02(04) Residual Temperature Strain

Hydration of the cement is a chemical process which produces heat and, thus, a rise in the temperature of the deck. During this process, the concrete solidifies at a temperature higher than that of the beam. When the concrete cools off, tensile strains are set up in the deck, which are the same as, in their effects, and are additive to, shrinkage strains. The hydration temperature is further increased by solar radiation if present. The temperature can effectively be controlled as follows:

- a. reduction in cement content, as the hydration heat is directly proportional to the amount of cement; and
- b. the method and duration of curing.

61-1.03 Delamination Control in Concrete Deck

Although the issue of crack control relates primarily to a beam-supported, cast-in-place concrete deck slab, the problem of delamination is potentially present in every concrete deck. In the presence of air and moisture, reinforcing steel corrodes, and the corrosion process is accelerated by salts. The corrosion product (i.e., rust) has a much larger volume than the steel consumed, resulting in large spalled areas at the top of the deck.

The methods to decelerate the rate of corrosion and control deck cracking are described below.

- a. Coated Reinforcing Steel. Retards corrosion of reinforcing steel.
- b. Waterproofing and Asphaltic Overlay. Most waterproofing cannot be made perfect and, by trapping moisture, it is counterproductive. Its usage will be permitted only if approved by the Design Division.
- c. Concrete Bridge Deck Overlay (Microsilica or Latex-Modified). Because they are virtually impervious, they perform well on an old deck, but they are expensive.
- d. Concrete Cover. Increased depth of cover delays but does not prevent the chloride from eventually reaching the reinforcing steel.
- e. Post-Tensioning. Minimizes cracking.
- f. Cathodic Protection. Retards corrosion of reinforcing steel.
- g. Bar Size. Smaller diameter bars for the same steel cross sectional area provide better crack-size control.

61-2.0 STRIP METHOD

61-2.01 Description

For the design of the deck, Article 4.6.2 of the *LRFD Specifications* presents a new version of the strip method that had been the basis of the previous editions of the *AASHTO Standard Specifications*. The strip method is based on a structural simplification in which the deck is replaced by a parallel set of continuous beams running in the primary direction of the deck, supported by unyielding supports with the span lengths taken as the beam spacings, and the vehicular loading represented by a single line of wheel loads acting on this beam. The effective width of this beam (i.e., the strip width, E) is determined from LRFD Table 4.6.2.1.3-1.

In analyzing a transverse strip, the following procedure may be applied.

- a. Determine the number of design lanes in accordance with LRFD Article 3.6.1.1.1.
- b. Position the loads on the strip. The following applies.
 - a. only full axles of 145 kN (72.5 kN per wheel) are to be used;
 - b. the center-to-center distance of the wheels is 1.8 m;
 - c. the center of the wheel does not become closer than 0.3 m to the edge of the roadway boundary (curb or barrier);
 - d. the axle is positioned to obtain extreme moments irrespective of the position of the design or traffic lanes;
 - e. the wheel loads may be modeled as concentrated loads or as patch loads; and
 - f. if patch loads are used, calculate the transverse base length of a wheel, as shown in Figure 61-2A, by adding twice the distance between the neutral axis of the deck and the top of the deck to the specified transverse footprint. This rule is based on a conservative 45° angle of load distribution.
- c. Calculate the maximum moments by considering multiple lane loads and multiple presence factors. For negative moment, see LRFD Article 4.6.2.1.6 for determination of the critical design section.

Live load moments for the strip method may be obtained from LRFD Table A4-1 in lieu of calculating them. These moments may be 15% to 20% more conservative than those calculated using the method described in this Section.

61-2.02 Application of the Strip Method to a Composite Concrete Deck

The strip method is appropriate for all types of supporting members, including AASHTO I-beams, spread box beams, steel beams, and concrete beams with T-shaped flanges, by using Equation 61-2.1 with the appropriate values of B_p . The following will apply to the application of the strip method of analysis.

- a. Reinforcing Steel. It is not necessary to use the same size and/or the same spacing of reinforcing steel in the top and bottom of the bridge deck in the primary direction. For constructibility, the top and bottom bars should be of the same size, and the spacing of bars in one mat should be a multiple of the other.

- b. Moment Influence. Either calculate or obtain moment influence lines from textbooks for four-tenths span and support points.
- c. Shear Effects. By using the strip method, a 200-mm deck is designed for flexure, and shear effects can be neglected.

Figure 61-2B illustrates the cross section of a typical beam-slab bridge with four beams spaced at 3.0 m, a minimum-depth 200-mm concrete deck, and concrete barriers. The deck overhang width of 1450 mm shown in Figure 61-2B is intended only for use in the design examples in Sections 61-2.0 and 61-5.0. For criteria for deck overhang width limitations, see Section 61-5.02. A dead load of 1.70 kN/m² should be considered as a future wearing surface. The 11-m wide clear roadway accepts three 3.6-m wide travel lanes. Influence lines, as shown in Figures 61-2D and 61-2E, are drawn for Points C and B. Influence lines can readily be obtained in discrete form from standard tables for continuous beams. Influence-line ordinates are shown at 0.1L intervals for this example. Figure 61-2D also shows the influence line for reaction at Point C.

61-2.02(01) Patch Loading

Maximum bending moment at a point is higher due to a concentrated load as compared to the same load spread over some distance. A simple approximation is derived to account for the patch loading effect.

1. Positive Moment. The patch loading is distributed over a tire width of 510 mm (LRFD Article 3.6.1.2.5) plus the depth of the deck (LRFD Article 4.6.2.1.6). Because positive moment influence lines have sharp peaks at the point of interest and ordinates drop off rapidly, using a patch loading can result in significantly lower design moments than the concentrated wheel load. Using a simple span, an approximation will be developed which simplifies the application of a patch loading. Extension to a continuous member is also approximate, because the pertinent influence lines are curved.

Consider a simple beam having a span length L . Assume it is desired to compute the maximum positive moment at the 0.4 point of the span due to a patch loading of width BL , such that B is a fraction. From Figure 61-2C, it is desired to locate the patch load, measured with X as a fraction of the base length, to cause the maximum bending moment. The bending moment at the 0.4 point will be the uniform (patch) loading times the area of the influence line subtended by the load: $A_1 + A_2$ in Figure 61-2C. To maximize the bending moment, the fraction X should maximize the sum of the areas $A_1 + A_2$.

$$\text{The ordinate } Y_1 = 0.6(0.4L - XBL).$$

The (trapezoidal) area $A1 = 0.24BXL^2 - 0.3B^2X^2L^2$.

Likewise, the ordinate $Y2 = 0.4L(0.6 - B + XB)$.

The (trapezoidal) area $A2 = 0.24BL^2 - 0.24BXL^2 - 0.2B^2L^2 + 0.4B^2XL^2 - 0.2B^2X^2L^2$.

Summing the areas yields the following:

$$A1 + A2 = 0.24BL^2 - 0.2B^2L^2 + 0.4B^2XL^2 - 0.5B^2X^2L^2.$$

Taking the derivative of total area with respect to the variable X and setting it to zero to find the maximum area yields the following:

$$\frac{d(A1 + A2)}{dX} = 0.4B^2L^2 - B^2XL^2 = 0.$$

Solving for X yields $X = 0.4$.

This position of the patch loading will yield maximum moment at the 0.4 point. The maximum positive moment at the 0.4 point is the patch uniform load P/BL times the influence area $A1 + A2$. This results in the following:

$$M_{\max} = \frac{P}{BL} (0.24BL^2 - 0.2B^2L^2 + 0.4B^2XL^2 - 0.5B^2X^2L^2)$$

Setting $X = 0.4$ for the maximum moment yields $M_{\max} = P (0.24L - 0.12BL)$.

This first term is the moment that results from the concentrated wheel load being applied at the point in question (0.4 point). The second term is a correction resulting from the load being spread out over a width BL .

This result can be generalized, because the proportion X is directly related to the point in question. For the 0.5 point, $X = 0.5$, etc. Without showing all the steps, for maximum moment at the center, with $X = 0.5$, the equation becomes the following:

$$M_{\max} \text{ at } 0.5 \text{ point} = P (0.25L - 0.125BL).$$

This leads to a convenient approximation for patch load maximum moments. Place the concentrated load at the maximum influence line ordinate and correct with the term $PBL/8$, where BL is the length of the patch loading. The result at the 0.4 point is not quite correct and the error increases as the point is farther away from the midspan. For design purposes, however, we are concerned with points near midspan and the error is minimal.

For continuous spans, this approximation should be used as a reasonably accurate simplification to the arduous process that would be required with the curved influence lines.

$$M_L = M_{OL} - \frac{PB_p}{8} \quad (\text{Equation 61-2.1})$$

Where:

- M_L = adjusted design positive moment for live load
- M_{OL} = positive moment using concentrated wheel loads
- P = concentrated wheel load at the point of interest
- B_p = patch load base length (0.51 m plus deck depth)

2. Negative Moment. A similar formula for deck design negative moments is derived, but with slightly different terminology and background. Influence lines for support moments are typically curved and the use of patch loads does not change the design moment significantly.

Instead, the negative moments are computed at the center of the support and then corrected to the actual design section using Equation 61-2.2. The second (correction) term in the equation represents the change in moment from the center of support to the design section. Rather than assuming a hypothetical concentrated reaction, the reaction is assumed to be uniformly distributed over a length of twice the distance from the center of support to the design section ($B_N/2$). The correction term is then the area of the shear diagram between the center of support and design section. This is a triangle with base length $B_N/2$ and ordinate equal to shear at the support. The area of the triangle is then $VB_N/4$. Because the shear on either side of the reaction is approximately half of the support reaction, the correction to the moment becomes $RB_N/8$. Because the support moment is negative, the formula is similar to Equation 61-2.1, except that the sign of the correction is positive, which reduces the design moment.

Summarizing, the maximum negative moment and accompanying reaction at the center of support are computed using concentrated wheel loads. LRFD Article 4.6.2.1.6 specifies the location of the negative moment design section as follows:

- a. at the face of support for concrete box beams;
- b. one-quarter of the flange width from centerline of support for steel beams; or
- c. one-third of the flange width, not to exceed 380 mm from the centerline of support, for precast I-shaped and T-shaped concrete beams.

The negative design moment can then be computed as follows:

$$M_L = M_{OL} + \frac{RB_N}{8} \quad (\text{Equation 61-2.2})$$

Where:

M_L = adjusted design negative moment for live load

M_{OL} = support negative moment using concentrated wheel loads

R = support reaction due to concentrated wheel loads

B_N = twice the distance from centerline of support to negative design section

61-2.02(02) Live Load Moment at Point C

For maximum negative moment, two situations are examined. Two wheels (single truck, with a multiple presence factor of 1.20) are placed in the worst position for negative moment at the center of the support. The design moment is then computed at the critical section by correcting the negative support moment using Equation 61-2.2. A similar process is followed using four wheels (side-by-side trucks, with a multiple presence factor of 1.00). The minimum spacing between adjacent truck axles is 1.2 m.

As a guideline for computation of design negative moments, a single truck will control for a beam spacing less than approximately 2.9 m. For a beam spacing greater than approximately 3.7 m, the spacing between adjacent axles (two trucks) will be greater than the minimum of 1.2 m.

The design negative moment is computed by correcting the live load moment at the centerline of support to the critical design section. Because dead loads contribute only a small component to the total deck design moment, the (conservative) correction of dead load moment to the critical section is not made.

Figure 61-2D shows the wheel positions and moment influence line particulars for Point C.

The critical position for the single truck places the first wheel 1.0 m left of Point C and the second wheel 0.8 m right of Point C. Moment and reaction influence ordinates for this position are obtained by linear interpolation between 1/10 point ordinates, resulting in the following:

$$M_{OL} = 72.5 (-0.293 - 0.218) = -37.0 \text{ kN-m}$$

$$R = 72.5 (0.886 + 0.835) = 124.8 \text{ kN}$$

Equation 61-2.2 will be used to compute the negative design moment.

For an AASHTO Type IV I-beam, the flange width is 0.508 m.

$$B_N = 2\left(\frac{0.508}{3}\right) = 0.339 \text{ m.}$$

$$M_L = -37.0 + 124.8 (0.339)/8 = -31.7 \text{ kN-m (Single truck)}$$

The critical position for two trucks places the first wheel 2.25 m left of Point C, the second wheel 0.45 m left, the third wheel 0.75 m right, and the fourth wheel 2.55 m right, resulting in the following:

$$M_{OL} = 72.5 (-0.186 - 0.184 - 0.212 - 0.070) = -47.3 \text{ kN-m}$$

$$R = 72.5 (0.390 + 0.988 + 0.851 + 0.146) = 172.2 \text{ kN}$$

$$M_L = -47.3 + 172.2 (0.339)/8 = -40.0 \text{ kN-m (Two trucks)}$$

The multiple presence factors need to be considered when concluding which situation gives the maximum live load moment. Multiplying the single truck result by 1.2 gives a design moment of -38.0 kN-m, meaning that two trucks give a slightly larger design moment (40.0 > 38.0).

Therefore, in terms of the wheel load $P = 72.5 \text{ kN}$, $M_L = -0.552P$.

61-2.02(03) Live Load Moment at Point B

The moment influence line for Point B is shown in Figure 61-2E. The 0.4L point is selected as the point more likely to develop maximum positive moment. A single truck axle with a multiple presence factor of 1.20 is used for design, because the influence line ordinates in the third span (where a second truck would be placed) are only 5% of those in the first span. Because the multiple presence factor is 1.00 for two trucks, the contribution of the second truck must be 20 more than the single truck for this situation to control, which is obviously not true. The critical wheel position places one wheel at the 0.4 point, with the other over support C. Using Equation 61-2.1 as follows:

$$M_L = M_{OL} - \frac{PB_p}{8}$$

where:

$$B_p = 0.51 \text{ m} + 0.20 \text{ m (depth of deck)} = 0.71 \text{ m}$$

$$M_{OL} = P (0.613). \text{ (0.613 is influence ordinate at wheel)}$$

$$\text{such that } M_L = 0.613P - \frac{P(0.71)}{8} = 0.524P.$$

61-2.02(04) Deck Reinforcing Steel

Table 4.6.2.1.3-1 of the *LRFD Specifications* specifies the strip widths for a concrete deck as follows:

- For positive moment, $E^{(+)} = 660 + 0.55S = 660 + 1650 = 2310$ mm.
- For negative moment, $E^{(-)} = 1220 + 0.25S = 1220 + 750 = 1970$ mm.

The unit weight of concrete is taken as 23.6 kN/m^3 . The weight of the future wearing surface is 1.70 kN/m^2 . To account for the additional concrete weight in the corrugations of steel forms, an additional dead load of 0.70 kN/m^2 is included. Dead loads per 1-m wide strip are as follows:

Concrete Slab:	$(0.200)(23.6)$	$=$	4.72 kN/m
Steel Form Effect:	$(0.70)(1.0)$	$=$	<u>0.70 kN/m</u>
	Total Concrete DL	$=$	5.42 kN/m

Future Wearing Surface: 1.70 kN/m

The dead load due to a 1-m length of 840-mm-height concrete barrier railing with cross-sectional area of 0.237 m^2 is as follows:

$$(0.237)(23.6) = 5.59 \text{ kN/m}$$

Maximum factored force effects per 1-m width are summarized in Figure 61-2F.

Required reinforcement can be computed using the following:

$$M_u = \phi A_s f_y \left(d_s - \frac{a}{2} \right); \quad a = \frac{A_s f_y}{0.85 b f'_c}$$

Combining as follows:

$$M_u = \phi A_s f_y \left(d_s - \frac{A_s f_y}{1.70 b f'_c} \right)$$

Or:

$$1.70 b f'_c M_u = \phi A_s f_y d_s (1.70 b f'_c) - \phi A_s^2 f_y^2$$

Setting up a quadratic for A_s :

$$A_s^2 - A_s \left(\frac{1.70 b f'_c d_s}{f_y} \right) + \frac{M_u (1.70 b f'_c)}{\phi f_y^2} = 0$$

This can be solved by the quadratic formula as follows:

$$B = \frac{1.70 b f'_c d_s}{f_y}; \quad C = \frac{1.70 b f'_c M_u}{\phi f_y^2}$$

Which results in the following:

$$A_s = \frac{B - \sqrt{B^2 - 4C}}{2} \quad (\text{Equation 61-2.3})$$

Where:

$$B = \frac{1.70 b f'_c d_s}{f_y} \quad (\text{mm}^2) \qquad C = \frac{1.70 b f'_c M_u}{\phi f_y^2} \quad (\text{mm}^4)$$

- f'_c = specified concrete strength (MPa)
- b = width of unit strip: 1000 mm
- d_s = distance between the center of steel and the outer compressive fiber (mm)
- f_y = yield strength of reinforcing steel (MPa)
- M_u = factored moment per unit width (N•mm)
- ϕ = specified resistance factor: 0.9

For a 200-mm slab with specified minimum cover, 15-mm wearing surface, allowing for 25-mm cover on the bottom steel and 50 mm on the top steel and assuming a No. 16 bar, the following apply.

1. For positive moment. $d_s^{(+)} = 200 - 15 - 25 - 8 = 152$ mm.
2. For negative moment, $d_s^{(-)} = 200 - 15 - 50 - 8 = 127$ mm.
3. $f'_c = 28.0$ MPa, and $f_y = 420$ MPa.

For positive moment:

$$B = (1.70)(1000)(28)(152) \div 420 = 17\,227 \text{ mm}^2$$

$$C = (1.70)(1000)(28)(45\,000 \times 1000) \div (0.9)(420)^2 = 13\,492 \times 10^3 \text{ mm}^4$$

$$A_s = 822 \text{ mm}^2/\text{m}$$

For negative moment:

$$B = (1.70)(1000)(28)(127) \div 420 = 14\,393 \text{ mm}^2$$

$$C = (1.70)(1000)(28)(52\,730 \times 1000) \div (0.9)(420)^2 = 15\,810 \times 10^3 \text{ mm}^4$$

$$A_s = 1198 \text{ mm}^2/\text{m}$$

61-2.02(05) Crack Control

The negative moment steel will be checked for crack control under Service I Limit State as per Article 5.7.3.4 of the *LRFD Specifications*. The value of Z will be computed and compared to the limiting value of 23 000 N/mm (severe exposure) assuming that the exact amount of negative steel is furnished with No. 16 bars. The actual steel placement would provide at least that area, meaning that the calculation is valid.

$$Z = f_{sa} (d_c A)^{1/3}$$

Where:

f_{sa} = stress in steel at service limit state

d_c = concrete depth from center of bar to extreme tension fiber

A = area of concrete surrounding the bar ($2 d_c \times$ bar spacing for this situation)

The maximum clear cover for computation of d_c is 50 mm.

Using No. 16 bars to provide the negative steel area of $1198 \text{ mm}^2/\text{m}$ results in a spacing of 167 mm.

$$d_c = 50 \text{ mm (cover)} + 8 \text{ mm (bar radius)} = 58 \text{ mm}$$

$$A = 2 d_c (\text{spacing}) = 2(58)(167) = 19\,372 \text{ mm}^2$$

The service limit moment for Point C is 30.71 kN-m/m (values from Figure 61-2F, with load factors equal to 1.00).

Using elastic theory, the location of the neutral axis for negative moment (kd) can be found by solving the quadratic equation as follows:

$$\frac{b(kd)^2}{2} = n A_s (d - kd)$$

with:

$$n = \frac{E_s}{E_c} = \frac{200\,000}{25\,400} = 8$$

The quadratic becomes: $\frac{1000 (kd)^2}{2} = (8)(1198)(127 - kd)$

The solution yields $kd = 41 \text{ mm}$.

The moment arm between compression and tension forces is $(d - kd/3) = 113 \text{ mm}$.

$$f_{sa} = \frac{M_w}{A_s jd} \quad f_{sa} = \frac{30.71 \times 10^6}{1198 \times 113} = 226.8 \text{ MPa}$$

The maximum stress to be used is $0.6f_y$ or 252 MPa.

$$Z = (226.8) (58 \times 19\,372)^{1/3} = 23\,580 \text{ N/mm}$$

This value is slightly (2.5%) above the limit of 23 000 N/mm. If a practical bar spacing of 150 mm is chosen, the calculated Z becomes 20 500 N/mm, which is acceptable.

61-2.02(06) Minimum Reinforcing Steel

Article 9.7.3.2 of the *LRFD Specifications* determines the minimum longitudinal bottom steel as a percentage of the transverse bottom reinforcement as follows:

$$\gamma = \frac{3840}{\sqrt{S}} \leq 67\% \quad (\text{Equation 61-2.4})$$

Where:

S = effective span in millimeters per LRFD Article 9.7.2.3. (Distance between flange tips plus flange overhang.)

For an AASHTO Type IV I-beam, the flange width is 508 mm, the web thickness is 203 mm, resulting in a flange overhang of 152 mm. Therefore, $S = 3000 - 508 + 152 = 2644$ mm and $\gamma = 75\%$. The 67% limit governs, requiring $A_s = (0.67)(822) = 551$ mm²/m.

Minimum longitudinal top reinforcement is determined by using LRFD Article 5.10.8.2, which presents shrinkage and temperature steel requirements. The minimum steel is determined as follows:

$$A_s = \frac{0.75 A_g}{f_y} \quad (\text{Equation 61-2.5})$$

Where:

A_g = gross sectional area (mm²)

f_y = yield strength of steel (MPa)

Because the bottom reinforcement is already given, A_g will be interpreted as the top half of the slab, as follows:

$$A_s = (0.75)(100)(1000) / 420 = 179 \text{ mm}^2/\text{m}$$

Summary of Steel:

Transverse Bottom: 822 mm²/m

Transverse Top: 1198 mm²/m (1250 mm²/m when crack control is enforced)

Longitudinal Bottom: 551 mm²/m

Longitudinal Top: 179 mm²/m

Figure 61-2G presents typical deck reinforcement for the strip method for analysis.

61-2.03 Longitudinal Application of Strip Method

Where a deck or deck system is supported by cross-beams (floor beams) and/or by substructure components, the primary direction of structural action is longitudinal. The cross section of a reinforced concrete slab bridge is shown in Figure 61-2H. The width of the slab is set to be greater than the clear roadway width as required. The span lengths of this continuous slab bridge are 17.6 m, 22.0 m and 17.6 m. The strip width, in millimeters, with more than one lane loaded, is determined as follows:

$$E = 2100 + 0.12 \sqrt{L_1 W_1} \leq \frac{W}{N_L} \quad (\text{Equation 61-2.6})$$

Where:

N_L = Number of design lanes as specified in LRFD Article 3.6.1.1.1.

L_1 = The lesser of the shortest span length or 18 000 mm; therefore, $L_1 = 17\ 600$ mm is taken.

W_1 = The lesser of the slab width or 18 000 mm; therefore, $W_1 = 11\ 900$ mm is taken.

W = Physical edge-to-edge width of bridge (mm).

$E = 2100 + 0.12\sqrt{(17600)(11900)} = 3837\ \text{mm}$

E is less than the limiting value of $W/N_L = 3967$ mm; therefore, $E = 3837$ mm is taken.

The longitudinal force effects may be reduced for a skewed bridge in accordance with LRFD Article 4.6.2.3. The design for all loadings is in accordance with LRFD Article 3.6.1.2.1, including the lane load.

61-3.0 EMPIRICAL DESIGN OF CONCRETE DECK

61-3.01 Application of Empirical Design

The empirical design method may be used to design a deck that is supported on beams or girders if the following conditions, in addition to those specified in LRFD Article 9.7.2.4, are met.

1. The design year AADT is less than 5000.
2. The design year ADTT is less than 500.
3. The skew angle is less than or equal to 20 deg.

The above criteria apply to either a bridge rehabilitation project (which includes a new deck), or a new bridge.

If empirical design is used, a memorandum should be sent to the Design Division Chief so that a database can be kept of each such bridge.

61-3.02 Behavior of Plates and Plate-Like Components

If the inelastic response of the deck includes cracking as in a concrete slab, or separation of laminates as in a wood deck, it results in a local rise in the position of the neutral axis which, in turn, leads to internal arching. Physical testing on concrete decks has demonstrated that close to 80% of the wheel load is being carried in the arching mode at ultimate limit state, that the failure mode is not one of flexure but punching shear, and that the resistance at ultimate is at least five times the value calculated by applying flexural theory. Figure 61-3A illustrates the actual failure mode of a reinforced concrete deck, which is the basis of the empirical design presented in the *LFRD Specifications*. As shown, failure is initiated at a perimeter line surrounding the tire footprint, which is either circular or elliptical in plan, under a combination of compression and shear. The location of failure initiation is not at the center of the wheel load where the lateral compression is a maximum, because therein the shear is zero. The presence of the vertical load creates tri-axial compression which is highly favorable in terms of resistance.

In addition, the angle α between the failure surface and the horizontal is rather shallow, usually 3:1, indicating the presence of large in-plane compressive forces. Because of the cover requirement, the position of the top steel is too low to allow participation in the failure initiation zones, and the angle α too small to permit either the top or the bottom steel to meaningfully share in resisting the wheel load. At this angle, the effectiveness of horizontal steel is only 33% in comparison with vertical steel which would have an effectiveness, if used, of 100%. Under testing, a locally unreinforced concrete deck indicates a loss of resistance not exceeding 25%, an indication that flexural reinforcement contributes very little to the load-carrying capacity of a concrete deck slab.

The deck should be made fully continuous over the superstructure unit for the application of the empirical design. The lack of discontinuities, either voluntary or involuntary, and the general tightness of the deck provide the lateral confinement which should be considered the most important feature in the design of a plate-type bridge deck.

61-3.03 Criteria for Empirical Design

The complexity and sophistication that may be required in the computations when dealing with in-plane forces in the inelastic phase is deemed to be beyond the normal scope of design. Instead, the *LFRD Specifications* provides a set of criteria that must be satisfied if the empirical design is applied. The criteria are repeated herein with commentary added as appropriate.

- a. *Cross-frames or diaphragms are used throughout the cross section at lines of support.*

- b. *For cross sections involving torsionally stiff units, such as individual separated box beams, either intermediate diaphragms between the boxes are provided at a spacing not to exceed 8000 mm, or the need for supplemental reinforcement over the webs to accommodate transverse bending between the box units is investigated and reinforcement is provided if necessary.*
- c. *The supporting components are made of steel and/or concrete.*
- d. *Deck is fully cast in place and water cured.* The intent of this requirement is to exclude a deck in which either the reinforcing steel or the concrete, or both, are discontinuous.
- e. *The deck is of uniform depth, except for haunches at girder flanges and other local thickening.* This requirement reflects that all research work was carried out on slabs of uniform depth.
- f. *The ratio of effective length to design depth does not exceed 18.0 and is not less than 6.0.* This is perhaps the most important requirement, by which flatness of the internal arch is limited. Figure 61-3B interprets the effective length of deck S for various support conditions such as AASHTO I-beams, box beams, steel I-beams, or concrete bulb-tee beams.
- g. *Core depth of the slab is not less than 100 mm.* The intent of this requirement is to provide adequate internal moment arm for the slab.
- h. *The effective length, as specified in Article 9.7.2.3, does not exceed 4100 mm.* This requirement reflects upon the maximum size of specimens tested. If effective length, S, exceeds 3330 mm, the depth of slab needs to be increased according to Item 6 above. If S is less than 1100 mm, the strip method of design shall be used.
- i. *The minimum depth of slab is not less than 175 mm, excluding a sacrificial wearing surface.* The minimum depth of slab is 200 mm, which includes a 15-mm sacrificial wearing surface.
- j. *There is an overhang beyond the centerline of the outside girder of at least five times the depth of the slab; this condition is satisfied if the overhang is at least three times the depth of the slab, and a structurally continuous concrete barrier is made composite with the overhang.* The intent is to provide a tension ring of sufficient width at the edge to resist internal arching forces between the exterior and the first interior beam. The concrete barrier railing shown on the INDOT *Standard Drawings* is considered a structurally continuous concrete barrier.

- k. *The specified 28-day strength of the deck concrete is not less than 28 MPa.* Tests have indicated insensitivity of the deck to compressive strength. The intent is to provide a reasonably resilient and non-permeable deck.
- l. *Deck is made composite with the supporting structural components.* Tests have indicated a definite enhancement of lateral confinement due to composite action.
- m. A minimum of two shear connectors at 600-mm centers shall be provided in the negative moment region of a continuous steel beam/girder superstructure. The requirements of LRFD Article 6.1.0.3 shall also be satisfied. For prestressed concrete beams, the use of stirrups extending into the deck shall be taken as sufficient to satisfy this requirement.
- n. Stay-in-place concrete formwork shall not be permitted in conjunction with empirical design. A special provision is required for deleting the option of allowing the use of precast deck panels.

The *LRFD Specifications* requires four layers of isotropic reinforcement. For each of the two top layers, the minimum steel area is $380 \text{ mm}^2/\text{m}$, and for each of the bottom two layers, the minimum steel area is $570 \text{ mm}^2/\text{m}$. The recommended minimum reinforcing bars sizes and spacings for constructability and crack control are as follows:

- 1. Two top layers, each #13 at 300 mm
- 2. Two bottom layers, each #16 at 300 mm

Figure 61-3C presents the typical deck reinforcement for the empirical design.

All reinforcement shall be straight bars except where hooks are required. The additional longitudinal reinforcement provided in the deck in the negative moment regions of a continuous beam or girder type bridge, beyond that required for isotropic reinforcement according to the provisions of LRFD Article 9.7.2.5, need not be matched in the transverse direction.

A skewed deck tends to develop torsional cracks in the end zones of the deck. To control crack size, Article 9.7.2.5 of the *LRFD Specifications* specifies that the minimum reinforcement be doubled in the end zones of the deck, but not at intermediate piers, with a skew in excess of 25° . As shown in Figure 61-3D, end zones, as bounded by dotted lines, are defined for the additional transverse and longitudinal steel. The additional steel should be present at both ends.

In Section 61-3.02, the role of arching effects is discussed and the significance of tightness is stated. The question of tightness (i.e., effective confinement of the compressive zone) is relative to cracking due to shrinkage and/or negative moments in the supporting beams where the slab is

in tension. The entire superstructure should be designed and constructed with the objective of minimizing cracking in the deck.

61-4.0 DESIGN DETAILS FOR BRIDGE DECK

61-4.01 General

The following general criteria shall apply to bridge deck design.

- a. Thickness. The depth of a reinforced concrete deck shall not be less than 200 mm.
- b. Reinforcement. The bottom reinforcement cover shall be 25 mm. The top reinforcement cover shall be 65 mm. The primary reinforcement shall be on the outside.
- c. Sacrificial Wearing Surface. The top 15 mm of the bridge deck shall be considered sacrificial and shall not be included in the structural design or as part of the composite section.
- d. Class of Concrete. Class C concrete shall be used.
- e. Concrete Strength. The specified 28-day compressive strength of concrete shall not be less than 28 MPa.
- f. Reinforcement Steel Strength. The specified yield strength of reinforcing steel shall not be less than 420 MPa.
- g. Epoxy Coating. All reinforcing steel in both top and bottom layers shall be epoxy coated for a bridge deck supported on beams.
- h. Sealing. All exposed roadway surfaces, concrete railings, and outside copings shall be sealed from drip bead to drip bead. In addition, the underside of the copings and the exterior face of outside concrete beams shall also be sealed.
- i. Length of Reinforcement Steel. The maximum length of individual reinforcing steel bars shall be 13 m. All reinforcing bar splice lengths shall be shown on the plans.
- j. Truss Bars. Truss bars shall not be used in a concrete deck supported on longitudinal stringers or beams.

- k. Placement of Reinforcing Steel. For a skew greater than 25°, transverse reinforcing steel shall be placed perpendicular to the beams. For a skew of 25° or less, reinforcement shall be placed parallel to the skew.

61-4.02 Dimensional Requirements for Concrete Deck

61-4.02(01) Screed Elevations for Cast-in-Place Concrete Deck

Screed elevations shall be furnished to ensure the gutters, or the edges of deck on a bridge without curbs, will be at the proper final elevations. Screed elevations are required for a beam or girder bridge, or a continuous reinforced concrete slab bridge on a superelevation transition. Screed elevations, if not shown on the plans, should be provided in tabular form on letter-size sheets.

This information should include a diagram or table showing the elevations at the top of the concrete deck that are required before the concrete is placed. Elevations should be shown for both curblines, or sidewalk gutter lines, and crown of the roadway and above all beam or girder lines for the full length of the bridge, at all bearings, and at a maximum of 3-m intervals. Elevations at mid-span are optional and need be shown only for short spans where the nearest 3-m station might be some distance from the point of maximum deflection. Elevations at splice points will be required.

A structure on a horizontal or vertical curve, or in a superelevation transition, will require additional elevation points to define the concrete deck screed elevations. A sufficient number of screed elevations must be provided so that the contractor is not forced to interpolate or make assumptions in the field.

The designer shall furnish all elevation points to allow the proper construction and finishing of the deck.

Figure 61-4A illustrates the locations of screed elevations for a bridge deck with curbs and sidewalks. Screed elevations should be determined using the following criteria.

- a. Screed lines should be established parallel to the skew and at approximately 3.0-m intervals longitudinally within each span.
- b. Transversely, screed elevations should be provided at both copings, curb lines, at the centerline of each beam, and at the profile grade and longitudinal construction joints.

- c. Deflections should be computed on the basis of beam continuity at the time of deck placement.
- d. Use an elastomeric bearing pad deflection of 5% of the elastomer thickness.
- e. Screed elevations shall be rounded to the nearest 0.001 m.

61-4.02(02) Fillet Dimensions for Steel Beams and Girders

Figure 61-4B illustrates fillet dimensions for steel beams and girders. The following will apply to the use of the Figure.

- a. Control Dimension Y should be established so that the theoretical bottom of deck clears the thickest and widest top flange plate by 20 mm to compensate for the allowed tolerance for beam camber, or so that the bottom reinforcement clears the field splice plate by 15 mm, whichever controls.
- b. Dimension Y should be shown on deck details to the nearest millimeter.
- c. Control Dimension Y should be established immediately after the top flange plate and splice plate sizes have been determined. The maximum slope of deck should be used to set Dimension Y.
- d. Dimension Y should be held constant at all girders, where possible, throughout the structure.
- e. Once established, Dimension Y should be used for all elevation computations such as bridge seats, top of splice elevations, etc.

61-4.02(03) Fillet Dimensions for Concrete Beams

Figure 61-4C illustrates fillet dimensions for concrete beams. The basic requirement is to have the top of beam not higher than 20 mm below the bottom of slab at the center of the span. This allows the actual beam camber to exceed the calculated value up to 45 mm before the top of the beam would begin interfering with the deck steel.

Dimension A at the center of the span represents an input item generally required for prestressed beam design computer programs and can be determined as follows:

$$A = 20 + W \left(\frac{e}{2} \right)$$

Where:

W = beam top flange width, mm

e = deck crown or superelevation slope

The following may occur.

- a. The critical location of the 20-mm minimum fillet will most often occur at the center of each span.
- b. The critical location of the 20-mm minimum fillet will sometimes occur at the ends of the beam, for example, where either the residual beam camber is negative or where the residual beam camber allowance is less than the crest vertical curve effect.

61-4.03 Forms for Concrete Deck

Contractor options regarding the use of permanent metal forms and precast concrete deck panels are provided in the INDOT *Standard Specifications*. The following criteria apply to forms for concrete decks.

61-4.03(01) Precast Deck Panels

Precast prestressed concrete deck panels may be used as an alternative to removable wood forms for certain types of prestressed concrete I-beam structures and only where the deck is designed using the strip method. If a prestressed concrete I-beam bridge is located wholly or partially within a sag vertical curve or a superelevation transition, precast concrete deck panels may be permitted if the following condition is met. Deck panels may be used if the additional Class C concrete deck thickness, t as shown on Figure 61-4D, is 75 mm or less. For such a prestressed concrete I-beam bridge, a note should be placed on the deck slab details as follows:

Precast prestressed concrete deck panels may be substituted for removal forms on this structure.

If deck panels are allowed for a multiple-span continuous structure, only the top mat of longitudinal steel shall be used to satisfy negative moment tensile forces.

Article 9.7.4.3.1 of the *LFRD Specifications* recommends that the depth of stay-in-place concrete forms should not be less than 90 mm. However, based upon demonstrated satisfactory performance, the depths of 75 mm or 65 mm shown on the INDOT *Standard Drawings* may be used.

61-4.03(02) Permanent Metal Forms

Metal stay-in-place forms can be used to support the deck between beams or girders of any type of structure regardless of whether the strip method or empirical deck design method is used.

Plan details shall be prepared assuming that removable forms will be used. The INDOT *Standard Specifications* describe acceptable methods of attaching the floor form support angles to the beams. Attachment details shall not be shown on the plans. For a steel beam or girder structure, a detail showing the location of tension and reversal areas in the top flange shall be included in the plans because welded attachments will not be permitted in these areas.

61-4.03(03) Overhangs

Removable forms must be used to support deck overhangs and may be used to support the deck between girders in any type structure.

61-4.04 Skewed Deck

Skew is traditionally defined as the angle between the end line of the deck and the normal drawn to the longitudinal centerline of the bridge at that point. The two end skews can be different. In addition to skew, the behavior of the superstructure is also affected by the span-length-to-bridge-width ratio. The *LRFD Specifications* generally implies that the effects of a skew angle not exceeding 25° can be neglected, but the *LRFD Specifications* regard only those bridges with relatively large span-length-to-bridge-width ratios. Figure 61-4E shows four combinations of skew angles 25° and 50°, and length-width ratios of 3:1 and 1:3. Both the 50° skew and the 1:3 length-width ratio are considered extreme values, but this often occurs where the deck constitutes the top slab of a culvert. It can be judged visually that both combinations with 25° skew may be orthogonally modeled for design.

The Commentary to Article 9.7.1.3 of the *LRFD Specifications* provides valid arguments supporting the limit of 25° concerning the direction of transverse reinforcement. It suggests that placing the transverse reinforcement parallel to a skew larger than 25° will create a structurally undesirable situation in which the deck is essentially unreinforced in the direction of principal stresses. It is required that, for $\alpha > 25^\circ$, the transverse reinforcement must be placed perpendicular to the beams.

The combination of 50° skew and $L/W = 1:3$, as indicated in Figure 61-4E, produces a layout such that if the deck is a cast-in-place concrete slab without beams, the primary direction of

structural action is one being perpendicular to the end line of the deck. Because of the geometry of the layout, consideration should be given to placing the primary reinforcement in that direction and fanning it as appropriate in the side zone. With that arrangement, the secondary reinforcement could then be placed parallel to the skew, thus regaining the orthogonality of the reinforcement as appropriate for this layout.

61-4.05 Shear Connectors and Vertical Ties

Based on the *LRFD Specifications*, composite action between the deck and its supporting components should be ensured where it is technically feasible. The design of stud or channel shear connectors for steel sections and vertical ties for concrete beams or girders is discussed in the *LRFD Specifications*. See Chapters Sixty-two, Sixty-three and Sixty-four for details and criteria. Shear connectors and vertical ties between the deck and its supporting members shall be designed for force effects calculated on the basis of full composite action, whether or not that composite action is considered in proportioning the primary members.

61-4.06 Deck Joints

61-4.06(01) Longitudinal Open Joints

Longitudinal open joints are not required in a concrete bridge deck with a width of 27 m or less. If a deck width of wider than 27 m is required, a longitudinal open joint may be used or a longitudinal closure pour, not less than 0.60 m wide, may be used. Transverse steel lap splices shall be located within the longitudinal closure pour. Such a joint should remain open as long as the construction schedule permits to allow transverse shrinkage of the deck concrete to occur. The bearings supporting a superstructure that has a deck width exceeding 15 m shall be capable of allowing movement in the transverse direction due to temperature and shrinkage movements.

61-4.06(02) Construction Joints

Construction joints create planes of weakness that frequently cause maintenance problems. The use of deck construction joints is discouraged and their number should be minimized. The contractor, however, has the option of requesting additional joints if the number or locations shown on the plans are too restrictive.

1. Longitudinal Construction Joints. The following will apply to longitudinal construction joints.

- a. Usage. Construction joints need not be used on a deck having a constant cross section where the width of pour is less than 20.0 m. This applies even when the constant cross section is rotated along the length of the deck if the angular breaks within the cross section remain constant. Where the angular breaks within the cross section are variable, as in the runout length of a superelevation transition, a construction joint should be provided. Longitudinal construction joints will also be required on a deck with phased construction.
- b. Location. The following applies.
 - (1) Where construction joints are required, they should preferably be placed along the edges of traffic lanes, except that joints close to a curb may be placed up to 300 mm outside the traffic lane.
 - (2) The joints should not be located over a beam flange, unless phased construction dictates otherwise.
 - (3) The joint locations should limit the maximum width of pour to 15 m to 16.5 m.
- c. Transverse Reinforcing Steel. The lengths of transverse reinforcing bars should be selected so that bar laps do not fall within longitudinal construction joints.

2. Transverse Construction Joints. The following will apply to transverse construction joints.

- a. Steel Beam or Girder Structure. Concrete may be placed continuously on a steel beam or girder structure with a deck requiring less than 200 m³ of concrete. A bridge deck that is poured integrally with the end bents may usually be placed with one pour.

For a longer structure that exceeds the pour volume limitation of 200 m³, an alternative may be considered in which the deck length is subdivided into segments near the points of final dead load contraflexure, with segments in positive flexure placed first and those in negative flexure last.

- b. Prestressed Concrete Structure. A prestressed concrete beam bridge made continuous for live load only shall be treated such transverse construction joints located 750 mm on each side of the pier centerline shall be shown on the plans. The short deck segment and diaphragm over the support provide continuity for live load in the superstructure after the previously poured center regions of the deck have been poured as simple span loads.

- c. **Location.** Where used, transverse joints should be placed parallel to the transverse reinforcing steel.
3. **Diaphragms.** For a prestressed concrete beam bridge with a cast-in-place deck, the *LRFD Specifications* requires concrete diaphragms at the bearings. These diaphragms should be poured at the same time as the deck.
4. **Steel Structure.** A steel superstructure with short end spans relative to the adjacent interior span may be subject to uplift at the end bent during the deck pour. This may occur where the far end span is 60% or less of the adjacent interior span. Where this occurs, and if objectionable, a required transverse construction joint should be placed in the far end span and a terminal portion of the end span poured first to counterbalance the uplift. The deck may then be poured from the opposite end forward in the usual manner. The designer should investigate the effects of the deck pouring sequence including its effect on camber, screed elevations, and stresses.
5. **End Bents.** The simply-supported end of a short end span may experience uplift under live load. A counterweight may be poured near the end of the span to counterbalance the uplift, or positive hold-down devices may be installed. The details of counterweights or tie-downs should be shown on the plans. Integral end bent concrete should be considered as a counterweight.
6. **Pour Diagrams.** Figure 61-4F illustrates the pour diagrams for a continuous, prestressed concrete beam structure. The plans should include a note similar to that shown on Figure 61-4F, revised as necessary. Figure 61-4G illustrates the pour diagrams for a continuous steel beam or girder structure.

61-4.06(03) Expansion Joints

Indiana is considered a cold climate. See Table 3.12.2.1-1 of the *AASHTO LRFD Specifications* for temperature range values to use to calculate joint movements due to temperatures.

The following presents criteria for the use of expansion joints.

1. **Compression Seal (Type BS).** This type of seal has not performed well in the past and should not be used as an expansion joint.
2. **Expansion Joint Sealing System.** This joint may be used on a bridge to be rehabilitated.
3. **Strip Seal (Class SS).** The following will apply to this type of expansion joint.

- a. Details. The details are shown on the INDOT *Standard Drawings*.
- b. Expansion Length. This expansion joint may be used for expansion lengths up to 120 m. The plans must designate the expansion length for the contractor to use the Joint Setting Table shown in the *Standard Drawings*, which is dependent upon the ambient temperature when the deck is poured (see Item c). Therefore, the designer must compute the expansion length in meters for each joint location and indicate this value on the General Plan at each joint location.
- c. Width of Opening. This joint is designed by the manufacturer to accommodate a minimum of 0.10 m of movement. The width of the joint opening at installation depends upon the ambient temperature when the deck is poured, and the expansion length of the structure at the joint location.

This joint opening width is shown in the Joint Setting Table in the *Standard Drawings* for a range of ambient temperatures and expansion lengths.

4. Modular (Type M). The following will apply to the modular-type expansion joint.
 - a. Details. Figures 61-4H and 61-4 I illustrate typical schematic details for the modular expansion joint.
 - b. Length of Expansion. The modular joint is used only where the anticipated expansion movement exceeds the length that can be accommodated by a class SS expansion joint. For expansion movements greater than 100 mm, modular expansion joints are recommended.
 - c. Splices. Where practical, a modular joint should be full length with no field splices across the roadway width. If a field splice is required for traffic continuity, the support beams should be spaced at a maximum of 600 mm. See Section A-A in Figure 61-4 I.
 - d. Elastomeric Seal. The elastomeric seal will be one piece across the roadway width, regardless of traffic continuity considerations and the presence of a field splice in the steel armor. See the INDOT *Standard Specifications* for more information.

61-4.07 Drainage Outlets

Chapter Thirty-three discusses the hydrological and hydraulic analyses for a bridge deck. This includes the methodologies for calculating the flow of water on the bridge and for determining the necessary spacing of drainage outlets to prevent the spread of water on the deck from exceeding the acceptable limits. Additional design criteria and details of drainage outlets on a bridge deck and closed drainage systems are also provided in Chapter Thirty-three.

To make deck drainage facilities operationally effective and insensitive to blocking by debris and/or ice, they should be large in size and few in number as suggested by the *LRFD Specifications*. See Article 2.6.6 for more information. Where practical, the use of roadway drain type SQ is preferred over roadway drain type OS because it does not accumulate debris as easily. Locations of roadway drains types SQ and OS should always be checked to verify that they clear the top flange of the outside beam or girder. The large drainage facility, however, creates a discontinuity in the deck which should be considered. A deck acting monolithically is not too sensitive to this, and for a drainage facility whose maximum dimension does not exceed 400 mm, no additional deck reinforcement is required. If the facility interrupts a main bar of a steel grid deck, the facility should be framed, and the frame should support the interrupted element.

61-5.0 MISCELLANEOUS STRUCTURAL ITEMS

61-5.01 Longitudinal Edge Beams

The *LRFD Specifications* does not require the presence of side longitudinal edge beams but permits the utilization of solid concrete barriers as structural parts of the deck or deck system. Railing-type barriers consisting of wood, steel, or concrete beams and posts offer only negligible structural contribution, so the usable advantages relate exclusively to solid concrete wall and safety shape types. However, the structural contribution of concrete appurtenances to the deck shall not be considered for the strength or extreme-event limit states per Article 9.5.1 of the *LRFD Specifications*, because other than immediate repair of an accidentally damaged barrier would result in temporary, yet unacceptable, under-strength of the bridge. The structural contribution of the concrete barrier shall only be considered for the service or fatigue-and-fracture limit states. If the bridge railing is structurally discontinuous (i.e., beam and post), a longitudinal edge beam may be required.

61-5.02 Deck Overhangs

Additional top steel to resist the collision load transmitted through the barrier may be required in a large overhang designed by the strip method and will generally be required for each slab designed by the empirical method. In accordance with Article 4.6.2.1.3 of the *LRFD*

Specifications, the width in millimeters of the primary strip for a cast-in-place concrete deck is $1140 + 0.833X$, where X is the distance from load to point of support.

Overhang-width restrictions apply only to a multi-girder type superstructure, as follows:

The overhang width criteria for the empirical deck design method are as follows:

1. not less than 3.0 times the slab depth with continuous concrete barriers (type TX railing is considered a continuous barrier), and
2. not less than 5.0 times the slab depth with all other barriers.

Article 9.7.2.4 of the *LRFD Specifications* defines the overhang for the empirical deck design as the distance from the centerline of the outside beam to the outside coping of the deck.

The suggested overhang width criteria for the empirical or strip design method areas follows:

- a. not more than 0.45 times the beam spacing;
 - b. not more than 0.85 times the depths as follows:
 - (1) web depth for a steel beam or girder bridge;
 - (2) beam depth for a concrete I-beam bridge; or
 - (3) beam depth minus bottom flange thickness for a concrete bulb-tee beams;
 - c. not more than 1500 mm; and
 - d. the deck overhang for a prestressed concrete box beam bridge shall not exceed 600 mm from the edge of the box.
3. Deck overhang width is defined as the distance from the centerline of the exterior beam to the face of the deck coping.

For curved deck copings with reference to segmentally spaced straight beams, the above limits on maximum width should be interpreted as the average width within a span. A 20-mm, half-round drip bead shall be placed 150 mm in from the edge of the coping. The depth of the outside coping should be a minimum of 200 mm. Once a coping depth is selected, it should be maintained over the full length of the superstructure along that coping.

Because of the geometry of construction jacks used to support an overhang, the bottom of the coping should be made flush with the underside of the top flange of a steel structure. The bottom of coping may be sloped to match the slope of the top of deck, or at least be made level.

The depth of the outside coping for a superelevated deck shall be greater than the minimum 200-mm deck thickness. The coping depth will generally be Dimension Y minus the superelevation

rate times half the flange width at the low side and plus the superelevation rate times half the flange width at the high side. See Figure 61-5A. The slope of the bottom of the overhang will then be parallel to the top of deck. The coping depth selected at each coping should be maintained over the full length of the superstructure along that coping.

For a curved-deck layout, the distance from the centerline of the girder to the face of the coping along both copings should be shown in a Coping Offset Diagram. These offsets should be shown at 3.0-m intervals measured along the centerline of the girder. The offset at all break points of the girders should also be shown.

For the design of a deck overhang with a cantilever not exceeding 1800 mm from the centerline of the exterior girder to the face of a structurally continuous concrete barrier, Article 3.6.1.3.4 of the *LRFD Specifications* permits replacement of concentrated wheel loads with a line load of 14.6-kN/mm intensity, located 300 mm from the face of the railing. Thus, an effective longitudinal distribution of wheel loads and an ease of design is realized. If other barriers are used, the strip method may be applied.

The design approach, as reflected by the *LRFD Specifications*, is that the vehicular collision loads are not specified and that the overhangs are designed for the maximum inelastic force effects which can be generated and transmitted by the barrier resisting the vehicular impact. The LRFD commentary CA13.4.2 also states, *the crash testing program is oriented toward survival and not necessarily the identification of the ultimate strength of the railing system. This could produce a railing system that is significantly over-designed leading to the possibility that the deck overhang is also over-designed.* The computed railing capacity will be far greater than the required capacity. Designing the overhang for full railing capacity will result in an extremely conservative section that is not in accordance with observed field behaviors. Based on observations of impacted bridge railings, overhangs designed according to previous specifications show the desired behavior that the overhang does not fail if a barrier failure occurs due to a collision. Accordingly, the overhang should be designed for a collision force of 25% greater than the required capacity, which results in a design approximating present satisfactory practice.

There is a normal concentration of force effects in the end zone of the barrier, and the deck may need strengthening therein. An extension of the end beam (hidden or otherwise) to the barrier may be necessary to strengthen the overhang. LRFD Equations A13.3.1-3 and A13.3.1-4 can be used to check the barrier strength for impact near the end of the barrier and to compute the magnitude of the loads to be transferred to the deck overhang and the need for extra top deck reinforcement.

61-5.02(01) Deck Overhang Design

The deck overhang is a cantilever slab that supports the barrier railing and can be designed independently of the deck spans. Sufficient negative moment reinforcement must be provided for the design conditions, and the reinforcement must be adequately anchored into the first deck span.

Two limit states are used for design, Strength I and Extreme Event II. LRFD Article A13.4.1 also requires the deck overhang to be designed for the vertical forces specified in the Article A13.2 Extreme Event limit state. However, for a continuous concrete railing, this never controls. The strength limit state considers vertical gravity loads and will only govern the design if the cantilever span is very large. The extreme event limit state considers horizontal forces caused by the collision of a vehicle with the barrier and will usually govern the deck overhang design.

A deck overhang will be designed for the multi-beam bridge shown in Figure 61-2B.

2. Strength I Limit State. The design negative moment is computed at the critical section, which is one-third of the beam flange width from the center of support. For an AASHTO Type IV I-beam, the flange width is 508 mm. The overhang is a non-redundant member ($\eta_R = 1.05$), and an operational importance factor of $\eta_i = 1.05$ will be used. Accordingly, the load modifier factor is as follows:

$$\eta = \eta_d \eta_R \eta_i = (1.0)(1.05)(1.05) = 1.10.$$

Figure 61-5B shows the dimensions relating to the overhang. Figure 61-5C presents the moment computations. Dead load of the 200-mm thick concrete deck equals $(0.200)(23.6)$ or 4.72 kN/m^2 .

Where a structurally continuous concrete barrier railing is to be used (see Section 61-5.04), the live loading for the cantilever slab specified in Article 3.6.1.3.4 of the *LRFD Specifications* can be used. The dynamic load allowance of 1.33 and the multiple presence factor for a single truck of 1.20 are included in the load factor column. Including the load modifier factor, the design negative moment per meter is as follows:

$$M_{\text{neg}} = 1.10(34.95) = 38.5 \text{ kN} \cdot \text{m}$$

As will be shown, the Extreme Event II Limit State (vehicular collision with barrier) governs the negative reinforcement required over the exterior support.

3. Extreme Event II Limit State. The forces to be transmitted to the deck overhang due to a vehicular collision with the barrier are determined from a strength analysis of the barrier. Design forces applied to the barrier for this example are from the LRFD Article A13.2, Test Level (TL) 4. This test level is *generally acceptable for the majority of applications on high-speed highways, freeways, expressways and Interstate highways with a mixture*

of trucks and heavy vehicles. The barrier must be strong enough to resist these forces. The deck overhang is designed to be stronger than the barrier so that collision repairs can be made to the barrier rather than the deck itself.

The 840-mm height concrete bridge railing (see the INDOT *Standard Drawings*) is used in the example. The following equations from the *LRFD Specifications* can be used to check the barrier strength away from the end of the wall and to compute the magnitude of the loads to be transferred to the deck overhang.

$$R_w = \left(\frac{2}{2L_c - L_t} \right) \left(8M_b + 8M_w H + \frac{M_c L_c^2}{H} \right) \quad (\text{Equation A13.3.1-1})$$

$$L_c = \frac{L_t}{2} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{L_t}{2} \right)^2 + \frac{8H(M_b + M_w H)}{M_c}} \quad (\text{Equation A13.3.1-2})$$

Where:

- R_w = total transverse resistance of the railing (N)
- L_c = critical wall length of yield line failure pattern (mm)
- L_t = longitudinal length of distribution of impact force (mm)
- M_b = moment strength (in addition to M_w) of beam at top of wall, if present (N-mm)
- M_w = moment strength of wall about its vertical axis (N-mm)
- M_c = moment strength of cantilevered wall about horizontal axis (N-mm)
- H = height of wall (mm)

For the chosen barrier railing, $M_b = 0$ and $H = 840$ mm.

The materials' yield stresses are as follows:

$$f'_c = 28 \text{ MPa}$$

$$f_y = 420 \text{ MPa}$$

4. Moment Strength of Wall About Vertical Axis. The moment strength about the vertical axis is dependent on the horizontal reinforcement in the wall. Both positive and negative moment strengths are computed, because the yield line mechanism develops both types (LRFD Figure CA13.3.1-1). The wall thickness varies, and it is convenient to divide the wall into segments as shown in Figure 61-5D.

Segment 3 contains no reinforcement and does not contribute to the moment strength. The positive and negative moment strengths of Segment 1 are essentially equal, and the compressive reinforcement contribution can be neglected as having minimal effect. The resistance factor ϕ is taken as 1.0 for this situation (LRFD Article 1.3.2.1).

$$A_s = 3 \text{ No. 16} = 3(199) = 597 \text{ mm}^2$$

$$d_{ave} = \left(74 + \frac{77 + 96 + 115}{3} \right) = 170 \text{ mm}$$

$$a = \frac{A_s f_y}{0.85 f'_c b} = \frac{(597)(420)}{0.85(28)(585)} = 18.0 \text{ mm}$$

$$\phi M_{n1} = \phi A_s f_y \left(d - \frac{a}{2} \right)$$

$$\phi M_{n1} = 1.0(597)(420) \left(170 - \frac{18.0}{2} \right) = 40.4 \times 10^6 \text{ N - mm}$$

For Segment 2, the positive and negative moment strengths are slightly different. Both will be calculated and the average used in the strength computation. Designating positive moment as producing tension on the straight face, as follows:

$$A_s = 1\text{-}\#16 = 199 \text{ mm}^2$$

$$d_{pos} = 113 + 134 = 247 \text{ mm}$$

$$a = \frac{199(420)}{0.85(28)(180)} = 19.5 \text{ mm}$$

$$\phi M_{npos} = 1.0(199)(420) \left(247 - \frac{19.5}{2} \right) = 19.8 \times 10^6 \text{ N - mm}$$

For negative moment:

$$d_{neg} = 74 + 134 = 208 \text{ mm}$$

$$\phi M_{nneg} = 1.0(199)(420) \left(208 - \frac{19.5}{2} \right) = 16.6 \times 10^6 \text{ N - mm}$$

The average value is as follows:

$$\phi M_{n2} = \frac{19.8 + 16.6}{2} \times 10^6 = 18.2 \times 10^6 \text{ N - mm}$$

The total moment strength of the wall about the vertical axis is the sum of the strengths in the segments, as follows:

$$M_w H = (40.4 + 18.2) \times 10^6 = 58.6 \times 10^6 \text{ N - mm} = 58\,600 \text{ kN - mm}$$

5. Moment Strength of Wall About Horizontal Axis. The moment strength about the horizontal axis is dependent on the vertical reinforcement in the wall. The yield lines that

cross the vertical reinforcement cause tension in the (inside) sloping face of the wall. Therefore, only the negative moment strength need be calculated. The depth to the vertical reinforcement increases from the top to the bottom of the wall and the moment strength increases accordingly. The LRFD Commentary (Article CA13.3.1) states that the value of M_c used in the analysis should be the average of strengths along the wall height. For this situation, the average structural depth will be used to compute the average moment capacity. The vertical reinforcement on the tension side is #16 at 200 mm, both for the barrier railing and the hairpin bars which tie the railing into the deck.

The development length of the hairpin bars should be considered prior to making the moment strength calculations, because the full strength of the bars may not be developed. From LRFD Article 5.11.2.1.1, the basic development length for a No. 16 bar is as follows:

$$l_{db} = \frac{0.02 A_b f_y}{\sqrt{f'_c}} = \frac{0.02(199)(420)}{\sqrt{28}} = 316 \text{ mm}$$

but not less than

$$0.06d_b f_y = 0.06(16)(420) = 403 \text{ mm}$$

with modification factors of 1.2 for epoxy-coated bars and 0.8 because the bars are spaced more than 150 mm apart. Accordingly, the required development length is as follows:

$$l_d = 403 (1.2) (0.8) = 387 \text{ mm}$$

The hairpin bar does not have a standard hook, however, the bar extension into the deck may be considered as part of the available development length. The available development length for the hairpin bar is then $200 - 50 + 330 = 480$ mm. The hairpin bars may be considered as fully developed. A width of 200 mm (equal to the bar spacing) will be used in the computations, and the moment will then be divided by 200 to obtain values per millimeter.

For Segment 1, the average wall thickness is 250 mm and the moment strength is as follows:

$$d = 250 - 50 - \frac{16}{2} = 192 \text{ mm}$$

$$a = \frac{A_s f_y}{0.85bf'_c} = \frac{(199)(420)}{0.85(28)(200)} = 17.6 \text{ mm}$$

$$\phi M_{cl} = \frac{\phi A_s f_y}{b} \left(d - \frac{a}{2} \right) = \frac{1.0(199)(420)}{200} \left(192 - \frac{17.6}{2} \right) = 76\,600 \text{ N} \cdot \text{mm} / \text{mm}$$

For Segments 2 and 3, the structural depth to the hairpin steel varies linearly. The average wall thickness is $(275+400)/2 = 337$ mm. Using this average thickness, the effective depth for the tension leg of the hairpin bar is as follows:

$$d = 337 - 50 - 16/2 = 279 \text{ mm}$$

The moment strength for Segments 2 and 3 is as follows:

$$\phi M_{c2+3} = \frac{1.0(199)(420)}{200} \left(279 - \frac{17.6}{2} \right) = 112\,900 \text{ N} \cdot \text{mm} / \text{mm}$$

Using a weighted average for the moment strength about the horizontal axis:

$$M_c = \frac{M_{cl}(585) + M_{c2+3}(180 + 75)}{840} = \frac{(76\,600)(585) + (112\,900)(255)}{840}$$

$$M_c = 87\,600 \text{ N} \cdot \text{mm} / \text{mm} = 87.6 \text{ kN} \cdot \text{m} / \text{m}$$

6. Critical Length of Yield Line Failure Pattern. LRFD Equation A13.3.1-2 may be used to determine the critical length of the yield line failure pattern, L_c . The longitudinal length of impact force distribution, L_t , is 1070 mm for the TL-4 barrier (LRFD Table A13.2-1).

$$L_c = \frac{L_t}{2} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{L_t}{2} \right)^2 + \frac{8H(M_b + M_w H)}{M_c}}$$

$$L_c = \frac{1070}{2} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{1070}{2} \right)^2 + \frac{8(840)(0 + 58600)}{87.6}}$$

$$L_c = 2722 \text{ mm}$$

7. Nominal Resistance to Transverse Load, R_w . The resistance to transverse load can be computed using LRFD Equation A13.3.1-1, and must be at least 240 kN for this barrier (LRFD Table A13.2-1).

$$R_w = \left(\frac{2}{2L_c - L_t} \right) \left(8M_b + 8M_w H + \frac{M_c L_c^2}{H} \right)$$

$$R_w = \left(\frac{2}{2(2722) - 1070} \right) \left(0 + (8)(58600) + \frac{87.6(2722)^2}{840} \right)$$

$$R_w = 568 \text{ kN} > 240 \text{ kN}$$

The barrier provides adequate collision capacity.

8. Shear Transfer Between Barrier and Deck. The nominal resistance, R_w , is transferred across the cold joint between the barrier and deck slab by shear friction. Assuming that R_w (applied at the top of barrier) spreads out at a 1:1 slope from L_c , the shear force at the base of the wall from the vehicular collision, V_{ct} , is given as follows:

$$V_{ct} = \frac{R_w}{(L_c + 2H)}$$

$$V_{ct} = \frac{568000}{(2722 + 2(840))} = 129 \text{ N/mm} = 129 \text{ kN/m}$$

V_{ct} is also the axial tensile force, T , in the deck slab per unit length of the overhang.

Using shear friction, LRFD Equations 5.8.4.1-(1-3) give the nominal shear resistance at the interface plan as follows:

$$V_n = cA_{cv} + \mu(A_{vf}f_y + P_c), \text{ not to exceed } 0.2 f'_c A_{cv} \text{ or } 5.5 A_{cv}$$

Where:

c = cohesion factor from LRFD Article 5.8.4.2 = 0.52 MPa

A_{cv} = shear contact area = 400(1) = 400 mm²/mm

μ = friction factor from LRFD Article 5.8.4.2 = 0.6

A_{vf} = area of reinforcement crossing the shear plane = 1.0 mm²/mm

P_c = permanent compressive force normal to shear plane, negligible

When determining values of c and μ , it can be conservatively assumed that the hardened deck concrete is not intentionally roughened.

$$V_n = cA_{cv} + \mu(A_{vf}f_y + P_c) = 0.52(400) + 0.6[1.0(420) + 0]$$

$$V_n = 460 \text{ N/mm} = 460 \text{ kN/m}$$

$$V_n \leq 0.2 f'_c A_{cv} = 0.2(28)(400) = 2240 \text{ N/mm}$$

$$V_n \leq 5.5 A_{cv} = 5.5(400) = 2200 \text{ N/mm}$$

Because $V_n = 460$ is greater than $V_{ct} = 129$, the connection is adequate.

9. Top Reinforcement in Deck Overhang. LRFD Article A13.4.2 states that the deck overhang may be designed to provide a flexural resistance, M_s , which exceeds M_c , the flexural strength of the barrier wall at its base. The effect of the tensile force, T , in the deck due to the collision force is to be included in this computation.

The railing capacity (568 kN) exceeds the required capacity (240 kN) by more than 25%, therefore 125% of the required railing capacity will be used to design the deck overhang, as follows:

$$R_w = 1.25(240 \text{ kN}) = 300 \text{ kN}$$

The force T is distributed over a length of $(L_c + 2H)$, resulting in the following:

$$T = \frac{R_w}{(L_c + 2H)} = \frac{3\,000\,000}{[2722 + 2(840)]}$$

$$T = 68 \text{ kN/m}$$

The top reinforcement must resist the negative bending moment over the exterior beam due to the collision loading and the dead load of the overhang. The moment strength of the wall for use in the overhang design is computed by neglecting the M_w term (contribution of the longitudinal barrier steel), as follows:

$$R_w = \left(\frac{2}{2L_c - L_t} \right) \left(8M_b + 8M_w H + \frac{M_c L_c^2}{H} \right)$$

$$300 = \left(\frac{2}{2(2722) - 1070} \right) \left(8(0) + 0 + \frac{M_c (2722)^2}{840} \right)$$

$$M_c = 74.4 \text{ kN} \cdot \text{m} / \text{m}$$

Using the dead load moments calculated previously for the Strength I limit state, the required moment capacity for the Extreme Event II limit state is as follows:

$$M_n = \eta[1.25M_{DC} + 1.50M_{DW} + M_c]$$

$$= 1.10[-7.58 - 4.84 - 0.88 - 74.4]$$

$$= -96.5 \text{ kN} \cdot \text{m} / \text{m}$$

As stated in the Strength I limit state discussion, this Extreme Event II limit state moment controls the cantilever design ($96.5 > 38.5$).

The 200-mm deck thickness will be used for the overhang design. A slightly greater thickness of perhaps 225 mm is often available in the overhang. The required flexural resistance will be approximately 100 kN-m/m if the effects of the applied axial tension force are included.

The negative moment structural depth is as follows:

$$d = 200 - 65 - 16/2 = 127 \text{ mm}$$

To supply a flexural resistance of 100 kN-m/m (100 000 N-m/m), the approximate amount of tension reinforcement would be as follows:

$$A_s = \frac{\phi M_n b}{f_y (\approx 0.8d)} = \frac{1.0(100\,000)(1000)}{420(\approx 0.8)(127)} = 2343 \text{ mm}^2 / \text{m}$$

The negative moment deck steel used over the interior supports for the strip method design was #16 bars at 160 mm. For the cantilever, if #16 bars at 160 mm are added, the total amount of negative steel becomes the following:

$$\begin{aligned} \#16 \text{ at } 160 \text{ mm} &= 1244 \text{ mm}^2/\text{m} \\ \#16 \text{ at } 160 \text{ mm} &= \underline{1244} \text{ mm}^2/\text{m} \\ \text{Total} &= 2488 \text{ mm}^2/\text{m} \end{aligned}$$

Article 5.7.3.3.1 of the *LRFD Specifications* states that a reinforced concrete section must be under-reinforced with reinforcement such that the neutral axis depth is less than 0.42 times the effective depth, d . For this amount of tension steel (and neglecting the bottom compression steel that would improve the comparison), the neutral axis depth would be as follows:

$$c = \frac{a}{\beta_1} \quad \text{where } a = \frac{A_s f_y}{0.85 f'_c b}$$

$$a = \frac{(2488)(420)}{0.85(28)(1000)} = 44 \text{ mm}$$

$$c = \frac{44}{0.85} = 52 \text{ mm}$$

$$\frac{c}{d} = \frac{52}{127} = 0.41$$

Because c/d is slightly less than 0.42, the section is under-reinforced, even without the beneficial effect of the compression steel.

The actual flexural resistance is then the following:

$$M_u = \frac{\phi A_s f_y}{b} \left(d - \frac{a}{2} \right) = \frac{(1.0)(2488)(420) \left(127 - \frac{44}{2} \right)}{(1000)} = 109\,720 \text{ N} - \text{mm/mm} = 109.7 \text{ kN} - \text{m/m}$$

The flexural resistance is reduced because of the axial tensile force in the deck of 68 kN/m. A portion of a typical interaction diagram for reinforced concrete members is shown in Figure 61-5E. If it is conservatively assumed that the interaction diagram is linear between pure flexure and pure tension, the following relationship holds.

$$\frac{P_u}{P_n} + \frac{M_u}{M_n} = 1.0$$

Solving for M_n :

$$M_u = M_n \left(1.0 - \frac{P_u}{P_n} \right)$$

wherein $P_u = T = 68 \text{ kN/m}$ and $P_n = A_{st} f_y$. A_{st} is the total top and bottom steel (computed as $820 \text{ mm}^2/\text{m}$ for the strip method of design for the deck) area.

$$\begin{aligned} A_{st} &= 2.488 + 0.820 = 3.31 \text{ mm}^2/\text{mm} \\ P_n &= (3.31)(420) = 1390 \text{ kN/m} \\ M_u &= 109.7 \left(1.0 - \frac{68}{1390} \right) = 104.3 \text{ kN} - \text{m/m} \end{aligned}$$

The capacity of 104.3 kN-m/m is greater than the demand of 96.5 kN-m/m, meaning that the suggested negative moment steel arrangement is adequate.

Directly below the barrier, the negative moment reinforcement must resist the collision moment of 74.4 kN-m/m. The calculated reinforcement will be satisfactory if it is fully developed at this point. The basic tension development length is taken from Article 5.11.2.1.1 of the *LRFD Specifications*, as follows:

$$l_{db} = \frac{0.02 A_b f_y}{\sqrt{f'_c}} = \frac{0.02 (199)(420)}{\sqrt{28}} = 316 \text{ mm}$$

$$l_{db} \geq 0.06 d_b f_y = 0.06(16)(420) = 403 \text{ mm (controls)}$$

The applicable modification factors are as follows:

Epoxy-coated reinforcement with clear spacing between bars less than $6d_b = 96$ mm: 1.5

$$\text{Excess reinforcement: } \frac{A_s \text{ required}}{A_s \text{ provided}}$$

The ratio of steel areas can be approximated by the ratio of required moment to provided moment.

$$l_d \geq 403(1.5) \left(\frac{1.10 \times 74.4}{104.3} \right) = 474 \text{ mm, where } \eta = 1.10$$

Adequate development length for the #16 bar is not available, because there is only approximately 350 mm between the hairpin bar and the ends of the #16 bars. Therefore, the free ends of the top bars must terminate in a standard 180° hook.

For the hook development, from LRFD Article 5.11.2.4.1, the basic hook development length is as follows:

$$l_{hb} = \frac{100 d_b}{\sqrt{f'_c}} \Rightarrow 8d_b \Rightarrow 150 \text{ mm}$$

$$l_{hb} = \frac{100 (16)}{\sqrt{28}} = 302 \text{ mm}$$

The applicable modification factors are as follows:

Adequate side cover and cover beyond hook: 0.7

Epoxy-coated reinforcement: 1.2

$$\text{Excess reinforcement: } \frac{A_s \text{ Required}}{A_s \text{ Provided}}$$

The required development length is therefore as follows:

$$l_{dh} = 302(0.7)(1.2) \left(\frac{1.10 \times 7.4}{104.3} \right) = 199 \text{ mm}$$

Adequate development length for the hook is available, because there is approximately 350 mm between the hairpin dowel and the hook extremity.

10. Cut-off Point for Additional Deck Overhang Bars. The additional #16 bars placed in the top of the deck must extend beyond the centerline of the exterior beam far enough to satisfy flexural and development requirements. The theoretical cut-off point is where the continuing bars provide flexural resistance equal to the dead load moment plus the collision moment, with a ϕ factor of 1.0.

The flexural resistance for the continuing bars (No. 16 at 160 mm = 1244 mm²/m) is as follows:

$$a = \frac{(1244)(420)}{0.85(28)(1000)} = 22.0 \text{ mm}$$

$$\phi M_n = \frac{1.0(1244)(420)}{1000} \left(127 - \frac{22.0}{2} \right) = 60\,600 \text{ N} \cdot \text{mm} / \text{mm} = 60.6 \text{ kN} \cdot \text{m} / \text{m}$$

A simplified and conservative approach to locating the cut-off point is to consider the barrier weight, slab overhang dead load, and collision moment as causing a negative moment at the exterior support. Using a carry-over factor of $\frac{1}{2}$, the moment at the interior support is determined. The future wearing surface and the deck dead load in the first interior span are neglected, because they will reduce the cut-off distance. Accordingly, the moment at the centerline of the exterior support for the Extreme Event II limit state is as follows:

Barrier:	1.25(5.59 kN/m)(1.254 m)	=	-8.8 kN-m/m
Deck:	1.25(4.72 kN/m ²)(1.45 m) ² /2	=	-6.2 kN-m/m
FWS:	1.50((1.70 kN/m ²)(1.00 m) ² /2	=	-1.3 kN-m/m
Collision:		=	<u>-74.4 kN-m/m</u>
	M_{ext}	=	-90.7 kN-m/m

Including the load modifier, $M_{\text{ext}} = -(1.10)(-90.7) = -99.8 \text{ kN} \cdot \text{m} / \text{m}$. The moment at the centerline of the first interior support is then $-\frac{1}{2}(-99.8) = +49.9 \text{ kN} \cdot \text{m} / \text{m}$. Figure 61-5F shows the resulting moment diagram. The theoretical cut-off point is determined by simple proportion at 786 mm from the centerline of the exterior support. The bars must extend beyond the theoretical point (LRFD Article 5.11.1.2.1) by the largest of the following:

- Structural depth (d) of the member = 127 mm;
- 15 bar diameters: 15(16) = 240 mm (Controls); or
- 1/20 of the clear span: (3000 – 508)/20 = 125 mm

The bars should extend $(786+240) = 1026$ mm from the centerline of support. Development length is adequate by inspection. Figure 61-5G shows the details of the additional bars in the overhang.

61-5.03 Transverse Edge Beam

61-5.03(01) Design of Transverse Edge Beam

Article 9.7.1.4 of the *LRFD Specifications* requires the end zone of the deck to have adequate resistance against the increase of force effects due to the structural discontinuity at the deck joint. This additional resistance is easily provided by the diaphragms that are commonly used for an integral end bent superstructure. In the absence of diaphragms, a transverse edge beam, hidden or exposed, is acceptable. The beam should be designed as specified in Article 4.6.2.1.4 of the *LRFD Specifications*.

Typical configurations of transverse edge beams are shown in Figures 61-5H through 61-5L for various types of superstructures. For the positive moment steel, the designer should consider using crankshaft bars (see Figure 61-5L) instead of straight bars between beams, unless the requirements for tension development length provided in Article 5.11.2.1 of the *LRFD Specifications* can be satisfied by placement of straight bars between beams. Crankshaft bars that extend from coping to coping can be difficult to handle and install. Preferably, they should consist of two bars that are lapped above the beam at the centerline of the roadway or above a beam that is adjacent to the centerline of roadway. As shown in Figure 61-5L, past designs have included a 45° fillet along the inside face of the edge beam. The 45° fillet is available as an option for additional resistance to force effects or assurance of a smooth flow of stress at a location where there is a significant change in section depth.

For a deck with no skew or with a skew angle not exceeding 25°, the transverse deck reinforcement will be placed parallel to the skew, but for a greater skew angle, it must be placed perpendicular to the supporting beams. For a greater skew angle, the transverse deck reinforcement will be terminated at points encompassed by the edge beam. Hence, it should not be counted as part of the resistance. For a skew angle not exceeding 25°, the top transverse deck steel may be included in the design of the edge beam. For a skew angle exceeding 25°, the negative moment reinforcement in the edge beam shall be placed below the top longitudinal deck steel.

Although LRFD Article 4.6.2.1.4c specifies a strip width for positive and negative moment for the edge member, it is acceptable to use the thickened edge beam or diaphragm width. The edge beam will be assumed to carry one truck axle for each vehicle considered.

61-5.03(02) Transverse Edge Beam Design Example

A transverse edge beam will be designed for the beam-slab bridge shown in Figure 61-2B. Assume a skew angle of zero and the dimensions shown in Figure 61-5 I. Flexural and shear design are based on the Strength I limit state, as follows:

$$f'_c = 28.0 \text{ MPa}$$

$$f_y = 420 \text{ MPa}$$

$$\phi = 0.90$$

For this example, the edge beam dead load moments are based on the area of the rectangular section. The minimum width of 600 mm will be used and the section depth will be taken as 555 mm. This depth places the bottom of the edge beam flush with the bottom of the fillet for the AASHTO type IV I-beam as follows:

$$\text{Area of Section: } (600)(555) = 333\,000 \text{ mm}^2$$

$$\text{Dead Load: } (0.333 \text{ m}^2)(23.6 \text{ kN/m}^3) = 7.86 \text{ kN/m}$$

The edge beam is assumed to carry one axle from each truck, and the live load moments are as computed previously in Section 61-2.02(02) and Section 61-2.02(03). The concrete barrier and future wearing surface moments will be based on the beam width, as follows:

$$\text{Barrier: } (5.59 \text{ kN/m})(0.60 \text{ m}) = 3.35 \text{ kN}$$

$$\text{Future Wearing Surface: } (1.70 \text{ kN/m}^2)(0.60 \text{ m}) = 1.02 \text{ kN/m}$$

The maximum factored moments for the edge beam are shown in Figure 61-5M.

The negative moment steel area required is computed using Equation 61-2.3, with the web thickness taken as 600 mm. If the edge beam negative steel will be placed above the deck longitudinal steel and that the deck transverse steel is included in the resistance, the structural depth of the edge beam (subtracting sacrificial wearing surface, additional cover, and bar radius for #19 bar) is as follows:

$$d_s = 555 - 15 - 50 - 19/2 = 480 \text{ mm}$$

The required steel area from Equation 61-2.3 is then 563 mm^2 . Because the existing negative moment slab steel provides an area of $1250 \text{ mm}^2/\text{m}$ [see summary of steel at end of Section 61-2.02(06)], its contribution to the total beam steel is as follows:

$$0.6 (1250) = 750 \text{ mm}^2$$

The contribution of the existing slab steel satisfies the required area and no additional steel is required.

The section will be under-reinforced according to LRFD Equation 5.7.3.3.1-1, if the following is true.

$$\frac{c}{d_e} \leq 0.42$$

where c is the depth to the neutral axis and d_e is the structural depth.

Using the equivalent slab steel area, the stress block depth is as follows:

$$a = \frac{A_s f_y}{0.85 f'_c b}$$

$$a = \frac{(750)(420)}{0.85(28)(600)} = 22 \text{ mm}$$

The neutral axis depth is as follows:

$$c = \frac{a}{\beta_1} = \frac{22}{0.85} = 26 \text{ mm}$$

and

$$\frac{c}{d_e} = \frac{26}{480} = 0.05 < 0.42$$

so the section is therefore under-reinforced.

The positive moment steel area required is computed in a similar manner. The structural depth for positive moment is as follows:

$$d_s = 555 - 15 - 25 - 13 - 6/2 = 494 \text{ mm.}$$

(Computed with 15-mm sacrificial wearing surface, 25-mm cover, #13 tie and #16 bar.)

Equation 61-2.3 yields $A_s = 581 \text{ mm}^2$. Using three #16 bars in the bottom of the edge beam provides 597 mm^2 .

The resulting positive moment section is under-reinforced by inspection.

According to LRFD Article 5.8.3.2, the critical section for shear is at a distance d_v from the face of the support, where d_v is the structural depth of the member. The highest shear will occur in the exterior span, near the interior support. For this design example $d_v = 445 \text{ mm}$. Adding half

of the beam flange locates the critical section at $445 + \frac{1}{2} (508) = 699$ mm from the center of support, which is at the 0.767 L point in the span.

Figure 61-5N shows the dashed influence line for reaction at the first support and the influence line for the shear at the critical section.

Areas of the influence line for reaction at support 1 are as follows:

Out-to-out copings for edge beam dead load: 3.07 m

Between faces of barriers for FWS: 2.40 m

The dead load shear at the critical section due to the edge beam weight (7.86 kN/m) is computed by summing the upward reaction at the first support and the downward beam load to the left of the critical section (1450 mm + 2301 mm = 3751 mm long).

Edge Beam V: $7.86 \text{ kN/m} (3.070 - 3.751) \text{ m} = -5.35 \text{ kN}$

Factored: $-5.35 (1.25) = -6.69 \text{ kN}$

The calculation is made similarly for the future wearing surface, except that the length of load to be subtracted is as follows:

$1000 \text{ mm} + 2301 \text{ mm} = 3301 \text{ mm}$.

FWS V: $1.02 \text{ kN/m} (2.40 - 3.301 \text{ m}) = -0.92 \text{ kN}$

Factored: $-0.92 (1.5) = -1.38 \text{ kN}$

The barrier shear is computed with the shear influence ordinates at the centroid of the barrier, as follows:

Barrier V: $3.35 \text{ kN} (0.529 - 0.023) = 1.70 \text{ kN}$

Factored: $1.70 (0.9) = 1.53 \text{ kN}$

The total factored dead load shear at the critical section is -6.54 kN.

For live load, a single truck axle will be placed in the first span, with one wheel at the critical section and the other at 1.8 m away. Using the appropriate influence ordinates yields the following:

Live Load V: $72.5 \text{ kN} (-0.852 - 0.210) = -77.0 \text{ kN}$

Applying the multiple presence factor (1.2), the dynamic load allowance (1.33) and the load factor (1.75) gives the following:

$$\text{Factored: } -77.0 (1.2) (1.33) (1.75) = -215.0 \text{ kN}$$

The dead load shear is a small (3%) contributor to the total. The sign of the shear follows the normal convention, but is otherwise unimportant.

The equations for shear design from the *LRFD Specifications* for a reinforced concrete member are as follows:

$$V_n = V_c + V_s \quad (5.8.3.3-1)$$

$$V_c = 0.083\beta \sqrt{f'_c} b_v d_v \quad (5.8.3.3-3) \quad (\beta = 2.0 \text{ for reinforced concrete})$$

$$V_s = \frac{A_v f_y d_v (\cot \theta + \cot \alpha) \sin \alpha}{s} \quad (5.8.3.3-4) \quad (\theta = 45^\circ \text{ for reinforced concrete})$$

$$(\alpha = 90^\circ \text{ for vertical stirrups})$$

which reduces to the following:

$$V_s = \frac{A_v f_y d_v}{s}$$

The nominal shear resistance, V_n , is multiplied by the resistance factor ϕ to arrive at the factored shear resistance. For obtaining the stirrup spacing, s , the equations can be rearranged as follows:

$$V_s = \frac{V_u}{\phi} - V_c \quad \text{and} \quad s = \frac{A_v f_y d_v}{V_s}$$

Where V_u is the total factored shear, dead load plus live load (6.5 kN + 215.0 kN = 221.5 kN). The resistance factor for shear is 0.9 (LRFD Article 5.5.4.2.1). In the above equations, d_v is the distance between the resultant tension and resultant compression forces in the member as follows:

$$d_v = \frac{M_n}{A_s f_y} \quad \text{LRFD Equation C5.8.2.9-1}$$

Substituting the total factored moment at Point B for M_n and the supplied steel area yields the following:

$$d_v = \frac{106\,550(1000)}{(597)(420)} = 425 \text{ mm}$$

The value for d_v need not be less than the larger of $0.9d_e$ or $0.72 h$.

For this member, $h = 555 - 15 = 540$ mm, and $d_e = 494$ mm. The minimum value of d_v is therefore the larger of $(0.9)(494) = 445$ and $0.72(540) = 389$. Therefore, d_v is at least 445 mm, which is larger than the equation value of 425 mm. Use $d_v = 445$ mm.

Substituting the appropriate quantities yields the following:

$$V_c = \frac{0.083 (2.0) \sqrt{28} (600) (445)}{1000} = 234.5 \text{ kN}$$

$$V_s = \frac{221.5}{0.9} - 234.5 = 11.6 \text{ kN}$$

If V_s is negative, nominal shear should be used.

Using #13 stirrups, with two legs effective for shear, $A_v = 2(129) = 258 \text{ mm}^2$. The required stirrup spacing is therefore the following:

$$s = \frac{(258)(420)(445)}{(11.6)(1000)} = 4156 \text{ mm}$$

The maximum stirrup spacing (since the shear stress is obviously low, less than $0.125 f'_c$) is $0.8d_v = 0.8(445) = 356$ mm.

Placing #13 stirrups at a nominal spacing of 300 mm (Figure 61-5 I) throughout the member will satisfy the shear requirements.

61-5.04 Design of Concrete and Steel Barriers

Section 61-6.0 discusses the types of bridge railings used. Section 61-5.04 discusses the structural evaluation of concrete and steel barriers at the copings of a bridge.

Concrete barrier railings will be built monolithically and continuous with no contraction joints at either mid-span or over the interior supports. Full-depth open joints will be provided only between the end of the structure and the reinforced concrete bridge approach and at expansion joints on a structure composed of two or more units.

The INDOT *Standard Drawings* illustrate concrete barriers with the preferred arrangement of reinforcement. This arrangement of barrier steel is a departure from traditional design in which the barrier has essentially been considered as a vertical flexural element and the longitudinal

steel, as secondary, being compatible with frequent relief joints. The uninterrupted barrier becomes a primary longitudinal flexural element, playing a significant role in resisting both gravitational and impact loading. The longitudinal steel is appropriate for this role, in addition to controlling shrinkage-caused cracking.

Stirrups connecting any continuously placed (whether or not structurally continuous) concrete barrier, curb, parapet, sidewalk, or median to the concrete deck should be determined assuming full composite action at the interface, according to Article 5.8.4 of the *LRFD Specifications*.

61-6.0 BRIDGE RAILINGS

61-6.01 Test Level Selection

The basic parameter for bridge-railing selection is the Test Level required at the site. This is a function of the following:

1. highway design speed;
2. average annual daily traffic and percent trucks;
3. bridge railing offset;
4. highway geometry (grades and horizontal curvature);
5. height of deck; and
6. type of land use below deck.

The detailed methodology for determining a bridge railing's Test Level is described herein. The methodology has been adapted from the AASHTO publication *Guide Specifications for Bridge Railings*. The performance-level designations in the *Guide Specifications* have been converted to the Test Level designations in National Cooperative Highway Research Program *Report 350* (NCHRP 350) *Recommended Procedures for the Safety Performance Evaluation of Highway Features*. The *Guide Specifications* methodology is based on a benefit/cost analysis which considers occupant safety, vehicular types, highway conditions and costs. The overall objective is to match the bridge railing's Test Level (and therefore costs) to site needs.

The Performance Level (PL-__) terminology applies to the AASHTO *Guide Specifications for Bridge Railings*. Under the new NCHRP 350 criteria, performance of bridge railings and associated transitions is measured in terms of Test Levels (TL-__). A bridge-railing equivalency table for converting PL-1, PL-2 and PL-3 railings to TL-2, TL-4 and TL-5 railings is provided in Figure 61-6A, Bridge Railing Level Equivalency.

NCHRP 350 identifies six Test Levels. To limit the number of necessary bridge railings, three of these Test Levels have been selected, and warrants have been developed for their use.

The Test Level is selected based on the following.

61-6.01(01) TL-2

A TL-2 bridge railing is appropriate on a bridge which meets the following:

1. the bridge is located on a route not on the State highway system, and the adjusted AADT in the construction year appears within the TL-2 range shown in Figure 49-9D(50), 49-9D(60), 49-9D(70), 49-9D(80), or 49-9D(90), Median Barrier and Bridge Railing Test Level Selection, for the appropriate design speed; or
2. the bridge is located on a State-highway-system route with a design speed of 70 km/h or lower and the adjusted AADT in the construction year appears within the TL-2 range shown in Figure 49-9D(50), 49-9D(60), or 49-9D(70), for the appropriate design speed.

61-6.01(02) TL-4

A TL-4 bridge railing is appropriate on every bridge which meets the following:

1. the criteria for TL-2 are not met; and
2. the adjusted AADT in the construction year appears within the TL-4 range shown in Figure 49-9D(50), 49-9D(60), 49-9D(70), 49-9D(80), 49-9D(90), 49-9D(100), or 49-9D(110), for the appropriate design speed.

61-6.01(03) TL-5

A TL-5 bridge railing is appropriate on a bridge where the adjusted AADT in the construction year appears within the TL-5 range shown in Figures 49-9D(50) through 49-9D(110), whichever applies.

61-6.01(04) TL-6

A TL-6 bridge railing is intended to reduce to almost zero the probability that large van-type, semi-trailer trucks will penetrate the railing. The TL-6 bridge railing is intended to contain and redirect a tanker trailer truck, which has a very high point of contact with a bridge railing.

The decision to use a TL-6 bridge railing is a policy decision based on a site-by-site evaluation; therefore no numerical thresholds are provided. As an example, a TL-6 bridge railing may be selected on a highway with an extremely high volume of large trucks (or tanker trucks) where rollover or penetration beyond the barrier would result in severe consequences.

61-6.01(05) Making Test Level Determination

Test Level determination applies directly to a level roadway on tangent, with a bridge deck surface approximately 10.5 m (35 ft) above the under-structure ground or water surface, and with low-occupancy land use or shallow water under the structure. The traffic volume used to determine the Test Level is the construction year AADT.

For highway conditions that differ from those described above, the AADT should be adjusted by the correction factors shown in Figure 49-9B, Grade Traffic Adjustment Factor (K_g) and Curvature Traffic Adjustment (Factor (K_c), and Figure 49-9C, Traffic Adjustment Factor (K_s) (Deck Height and Under-Structure Shoulder Height Conditions). These correction factors are for highway grade (K_g), horizontal curvature (K_c), and deck/shoulder height and under-structure conditions (K_s). The high-occupancy land use referred to in Figure 49-9C applies to a site where there is a relatively high probability for injury or for loss of human life. The low-occupancy land use applies to a site where the probability for injury or loss of human life is relatively low.

Once the adjusted AADT is determined, the appropriate Test Level can be determined from Figure 49-9D(50), 49-9D(60), 49-9D(70), 49-9D(80), 49-9D(90), 49-9D(100), or 49-9D(110), Median Barrier and Bridge Railing Test Level Selection, for the design speed shown in the figure designation.

The following procedure will apply to the determination of the appropriate Test Level.

1. Determine adjustment factors K_g and K_c from Figure 49-9B, and K_s from Figure 49-9C.
2. Calculate the adjusted AADT by multiplying the construction year AADT (total for both directions) by the three adjustment factors, as shown below.

$$\text{Adjusted AADT} = (\text{Construction year AADT}) (K_g) (K_c) (K_s).$$

3. Determine the figure in the 49-9D figures series which is appropriate for the design speed. If the design speed is 35 mph, a straight-line interpolation between Figures 49-9D(30) and 49-9D(40) should be used to determine the adjusted AADT range.
4. Locate the appropriate line in such figure under the Site Characteristics column.

5. Move across to the columns corresponding to the appropriate Highway Type.
6. Determine which of the three columns (TL-2, TL-4, or TL-5) includes the adjusted AADT value calculated in Step 2 to identify the appropriate Test Level.

Each side of a bridge should be checked against these criteria. This is especially important for a bridge on a horizontal curve. The highest Test Level warrant should be used for both sides of a structure.

See Section 49-9.03 for example calculations on the selection of a TL-4 or TL-5 bridge railing.

For a minor bridge rehabilitation project which does not include bridge deck replacement or deck widening and the bridge currently has a crashworthy TL-4 bridge railing, the existing railing need not be upgraded to a TL-5 railing even though the warrants for the TL-5 railing are satisfied. If there is no significant history of truck accidents, the installation of the TL-5 bridge railing should be deferred until the time of deck replacement or deck widening. However, if truck accidents are a problem, consideration should be given to installing the TL-5 railing on the rehabilitation project along with countermeasures to reduce the truck-accident problem.

61-6.02 Bridge Railing Type Selection

61-6.02(01) INDOT Standard Railings

Once the Test Level has been determined, a bridge railing type should be selected to match the required Test Level and other considerations (e.g., aesthetics, owner preference).

Figure 61-6B, Bridge Railing Types, summarizes the Department-standardized bridge railing types for each Test Level.

61-6.02(02) FHWA-Approved Non-INDOT-Standard Railings

There are other bridge railings which have passed NCHRP 350 crash tests for specified Test Levels, in addition to those which the Department has standardized. These are identified on the FHWA's website, http://safety.fhwa.dot.gov/roadway-dept/road_hardware/bridgerailings.htm. If one of these devices is desired to be used for a specific project, the required documentation to be downloaded from the website and provided is as follows:

1. an acceptance letter from the FHWA that approves the device for use; and
2. complete details for the device as successfully crash tested.

The device may be modified for specific-project use. However, the shape, strength, and performance requirements cannot be changed. If the device is to be modified, the additional required documentation to be provided is as follows:

1. complete details showing the modifications; and
2. calculations showing that the modified version still meets the strength and performance requirements of the crash-tested version.

The appropriate transition or end treatment must be determined. This may be done by further investigating the bridge railing details. Such details should be provided, along with documentation that the transition or end treatment is appropriate for the bridge railing. If an appropriate transition or end treatment cannot be found, the bridge railing cannot be used.

61-6.02(03) Considerations if Sidewalk Present

Including a sidewalk on a bridge may impact the selection and/or location of the bridge railing. The potential problem is that, once a vehicle strikes a curb, it may become airborne. Depending upon the lateral offset of the bridge railing, the vehicle may impact the railing while airborne and thus, may interfere with the proper vehicle/bridge railing interaction.

The following will apply to the selection and location of a bridge railing in combination with a sidewalk.

1. Design Speed of 70 km/h or Lower. Only a railing shown to be crashworthy in the presence of a sidewalk may be used. The bridge railing type may be selected based on the Test Level required at the site as described above, or a vertical concrete wall of the appropriate height may be provided at the back of the sidewalk. The Test Level of such wall should match that of a concrete shape F bridge railing.
2. Design Speed of 80 km/h or Higher. The bridge railing cannot be placed at the coping side of the sidewalk, therefore it must be placed between the roadway and the sidewalk. A pedestrian- or bicycle railing should then be placed at the coping side of the sidewalk as described below. The height of the vehicular bridge railing between the roadway and the sidewalk must meet or exceed the minimum height requirement of a pedestrian railing, 1070 mm, or a bicycle railing, 1370 mm, whichever applies. Where the vehicular bridge railing is placed between the roadway and the sidewalk, the sidewalk need not be raised; i.e., the roadway surface and sidewalk surface may be at the same elevation. However, the sidewalk drainage pattern should be reviewed. The guardrail transition and

bridge railing transition should be connected to the pedestrian railing. An impact attenuator type R1 should be connected to the bridge railing.

61-6.03 Bridge Railing Design Details

61-6.03(01) Superelevated Bridge Deck

The INDOT *Standard Drawings* illustrate the orientation of concrete shape F bridge railing with the bridge deck surface for a bridge on a superelevated roadway section.

61-6.03(02) Barrier Delineators

Barrier delineators are to be placed on all bridge railings. However, barrier delineators are not to be placed on bridge railings at the coping sides of sidewalks. The location of the delineators along the bridge railing should be as described in the INDOT *Standard Specifications*. Barrier delineators should be placed on the roadway faces of bridge railing transitions.

61-6.04 Bridge Railing Transitions

Steel-element roadside barriers deflect upon impact, but rigid bridge railings normally will not. Therefore, where a steel-element roadside barrier approaches a rigid bridge railing, a transition is necessary to gradually strengthen the steel-element roadside barrier as it approaches and connects to the bridge railing. The following will apply to these transitions.

61-6.04(01) Type

The preferred transition for each bridge railing type is shown in Figure 61-6B. Most systems include both a guardrail transition and a bridge railing transition. The details are shown in the INDOT *Standard Drawings* identified in Figure 61-6B.

The transitions are typically used at all locations, except where an intersecting road or driveway prevents the placement of a proper design. To use the bridge railing transition listed, there must be space to place at least 7.62 m of roadside barrier between a curved W-beam guardrail connector terminal system or curved W-beam guardrail system and the beginning of a guardrail transition type TGB.

Bridge railing transition type WBC is not identified in Figure 61-6B. It may be used with concrete bridge railing shape F, common height, only where the proximity of an intersecting road

or driveway prevents the proper installation of the preferred transition. Where at least one bridge railing transition type WBC is required, such transition should be used for all bridge railing ends.

61-6.04(02) Location

The following will apply to the location of bridge railing transitions.

1. Reinforced Concrete Bridge Approach (RCBA). The ideal treatment is to locate a bridge railing transition along the RCBA. This will keep the deck drainage not collected in the deck drains from flowing down the spill slopes at the bridge corners, which may cause erosion at the end bents. Placing the transition on the RCBA will require moving the connection between the bridge railing transition and the guardrail transition a sufficient distance from the wing to allow placement of the posts required with the transition.
2. Bridge Corners. Transitions should be used at all bridge corners for all bridge railing types, including the trailing ends of bridge railings on a one-way roadway such as a ramp or one roadway of a divided highway.
3. Bridge Deck. If it is necessary to locate the transition on the bridge deck, the wings must be extended laterally a sufficient distance to provide a minimum clearance of 150 mm between the roadside face of the wing and the backs of the guardrail transition posts.
4. Intersecting Roads or Drives. The presence of intersecting roads or drives close to the bridge may complicate the location of the transition. Where practical, the intersecting road or drive should be relocated to allow placement of the bridge railing transition on the RCBA. Where this is not practical, the consideration of the bridge railing transition should be determined in the order of preference as follows:
 - a. it should be placed on the bridge deck if the structure has integral or semi-integral end bents;
 - b. a modified version of the bridge railing transition that can be used with guardrail transition type WGB should be placed on the RCBA;
 - c. a modified version of the bridge railing transition that can be used with guardrail transition type WGB should be placed on the bridge deck if the structure has integral end bents;
 - d. an impact attenuator should be used at the end of the bridge railing; or

- e. since standard details for modified versions of bridge railing transitions that can be used with the guardrail transition type WGB are not available, details of a modified version of the appropriate concrete bridge railing transition should be included in the plans if an intersecting drive or public road approach cannot be relocated away from the end of the structure.
5. Expansion Joints. The bridge railing transition cannot be located on the bridge deck if a deck expansion joint is located between the bridge deck and the mudwall.
6. Alternative Locations. In a situation with severe space restrictions, transition locations and/or design modifications which do not comply with the above criteria may be necessary. These alternative treatments require approval by the Design Division Chief.

61-6.05 Pedestrian Railings

If a sidewalk is to be placed on a bridge, and the design speed is 80 km/h or higher, a bridge railing should be used to separate vehicular traffic from pedestrians, and a pedestrian railing should be placed on the outside edge of the sidewalk.

If the design speed is 70 km/h or lower, the need for protection of pedestrians by means of a combination vehicular bridge railing/pedestrian railing will be considered on a site-by-site basis. Additional considerations to be made are as follows:

1. design speed;
2. vehicular-traffic volumes;
2. pedestrian-traffic volumes;
4. accident history;
5. geometric impacts (e.g., sight distance);
6. practicality of providing proper end treatments;
7. construction costs; and
8. local preference.

Figure 61-6D shows the typical reinforcing-steel requirements for a bridge sidewalk.

61-6.06 Bicycle Railings

If bicyclists are permitted to use a bridge, a bicycle railing may be warranted. The following will apply.

61-6.06(01) Bicycle Path

This is defined as a bikeway physically separated from motorized vehicular traffic by an open space or barrier and either within the highway right-of-way or within an independent right-of-way. Each bridge which is a part of a bicycle path will require bicycle railings of 1370 mm height.

61-6.06(02) Other Facilities

The need for combination vehicular bridge railing/bicycle railing to protect bicyclists will be considered on a site-by-site basis. Additional considerations to be made are as follows:

1. motor-vehicular traffic design speed;
2. motor-vehicular traffic volumes;
3. bicycle traffic volumes;
4. accident history;
5. geometric impacts (e.g., sight distance);
6. practicality of providing proper end treatments;
7. construction costs; and
8. local preference.

61-7.0 BRIDGE APPURTENANCES

61-7.01 Outside Curbs

Except for the base of two-tubed curb-mounted bridge railing, outside curbs are only used on a bridge in conjunction with a sidewalk. The typical curb height is 200 mm where used in conjunction with a sidewalk, unless a vehicular bridge railing is placed between the roadway and the sidewalk. For this situation, the roadway and sidewalk will be at the same elevation.

61-7.02 Center Curb or Median Barrier

A center curb or a median barrier on a structure should be a continuation of the curb or median barrier on the approaching roadway. The use of a roughened construction joint between the bridge deck and the center curb or median barrier should be provided. Curb or median barrier should be anchored to the bridge deck with #16 bars spaced at 300 mm maximum.

61-7.03 Lighting

The Design Division's Lighting Unit is responsible for determining warrants for highway lighting. The district traffic office may offer input regarding lighting requirements for an INDOT project in an urban area. Warrants for, and the design of, lighting for a local public agency project shall be determined by the designer and the LPA. Section 78-2.0 discusses warrants for lighting on a bridge structure. Where lighting will be provided on an INDOT bridge, the Lighting Unit will determine the pole size and spacing and submit this information to the Design Division's project coordinator. The INDOT *Standard Drawings* provide the details for attaching standard luminaire supports to a concrete bridge railing.

61-7.04 Traffic Signals

Traffic signals may currently or be proposed to be located near a bridge. It may be appropriate to provide conduits across the bridge for the electrical service. The following will apply.

11. Bridge Location. For each bridge located within an urbanized area, or within 3 km of its boundary, the designer should contact the Design Division's Specialty Projects Group. This group will determine the need for conduits across the bridge.
2. Junction Boxes. Where conduits will be provided, junction boxes should be located at approximately 75-m intervals. The Specialty Projects Group will provide design details for the junction boxes for incorporation into the plans.

61-7.05 Utilities Located on an INDOT Bridge

The Design Division's Utilities Unit and the designer will work together to determine the proper accommodation of utilities across a highway structure. Chapter Ten describes the policy regarding the attachment of utility lines to a bridge. Chapter Ten also discusses procedures on permit applications and cost reimbursement. For approved utility attachments to a bridge, the following procedure applies.

1. Preparation. The utility company must prepare the attachment details for the utility. These are submitted to the Utilities Unit.
1. Review and Approval. The Utilities Unit reviews the attachment details and submits these to the designer for comment. The Utilities Unit will notify the utility company of any needed revisions. Once all changes have been made, the Utilities Unit will approve the utility attachment details and process the Utility Agreement.

3. Plans Incorporation. The Utilities Unit will submit the approved utility attachment details to the designer for incorporation into the final contract plans.