
Retrofit Measures for Abutments, Footings, and Foundations

Purpose

- To describe typical retrofit measures for:
 - ❑ Abutments
 - ❑ Footings
 - ❑ Piles

Abutment retrofit measures

- Approach slabs
- Anchor slabs
- Diaphragm walls
- Transverse shear keys
- Transverse soil anchors
- Soil and gravity anchors

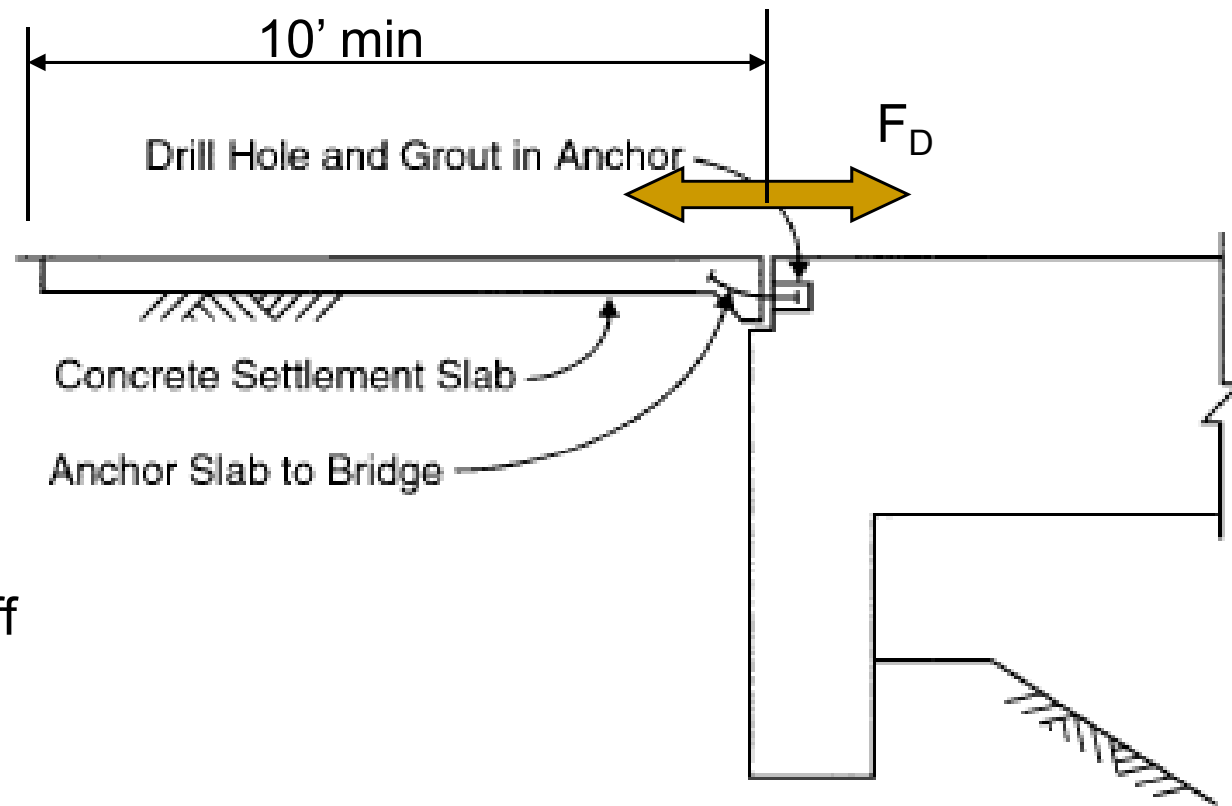
Abutment retrofit measures

■ California settlement (approach) slab

- Design as SS
- Spans soil to deck
- Connection F_D is

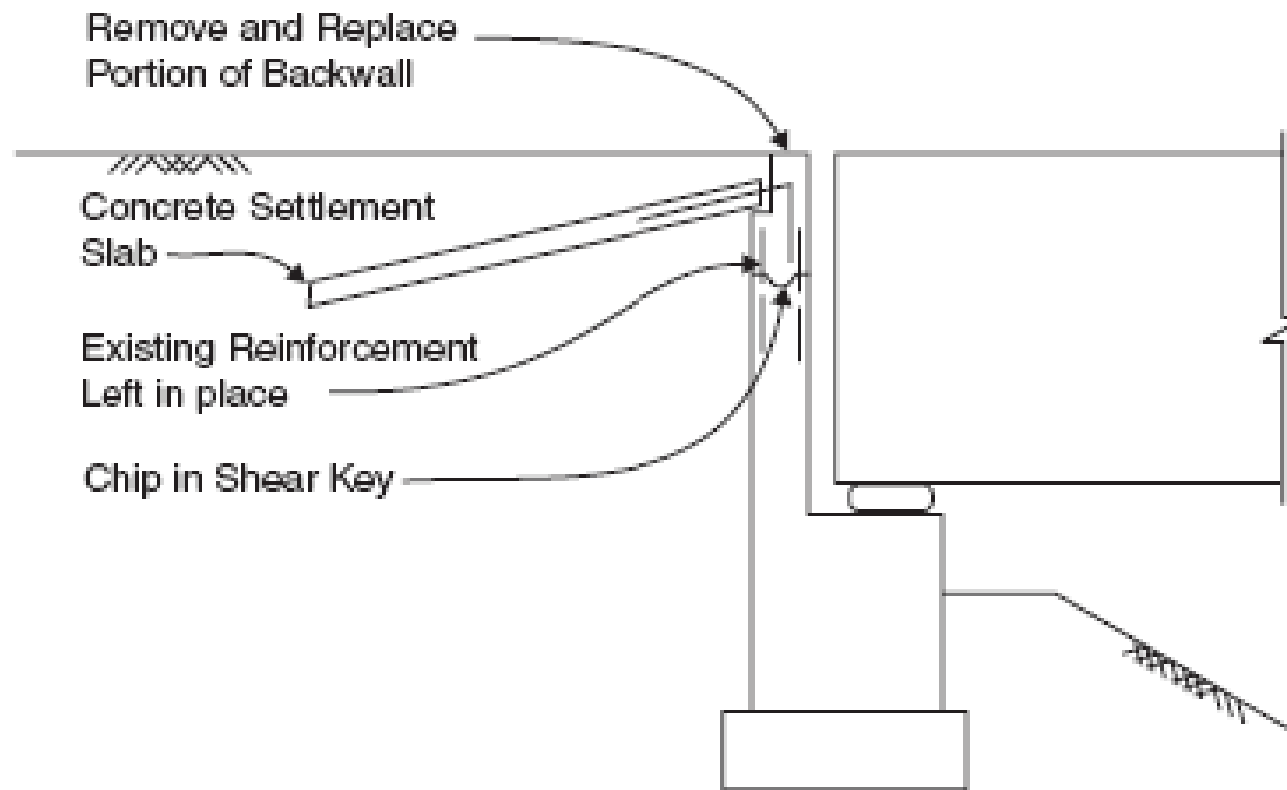
$$F_D := (\mu + S_a) \cdot DL$$

$\mu \approx 0.6$ Friction Coeff
 S_a = Spectrum Acc
DL = Dead Load



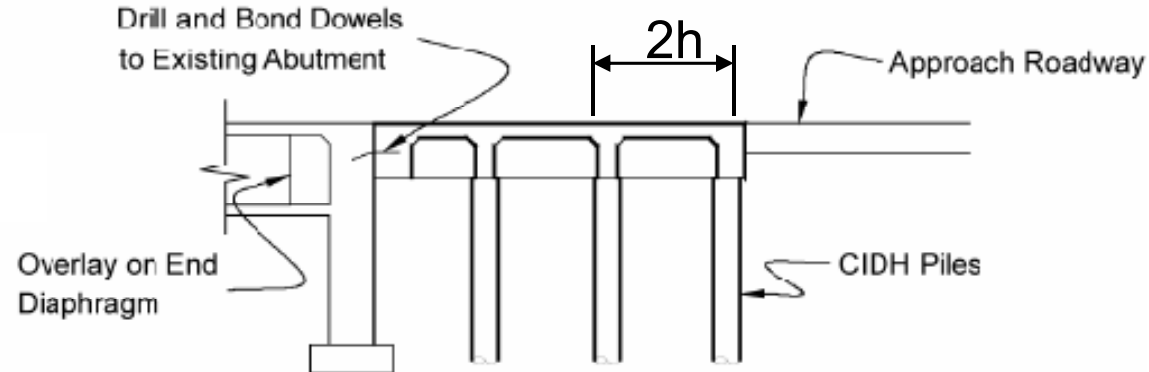
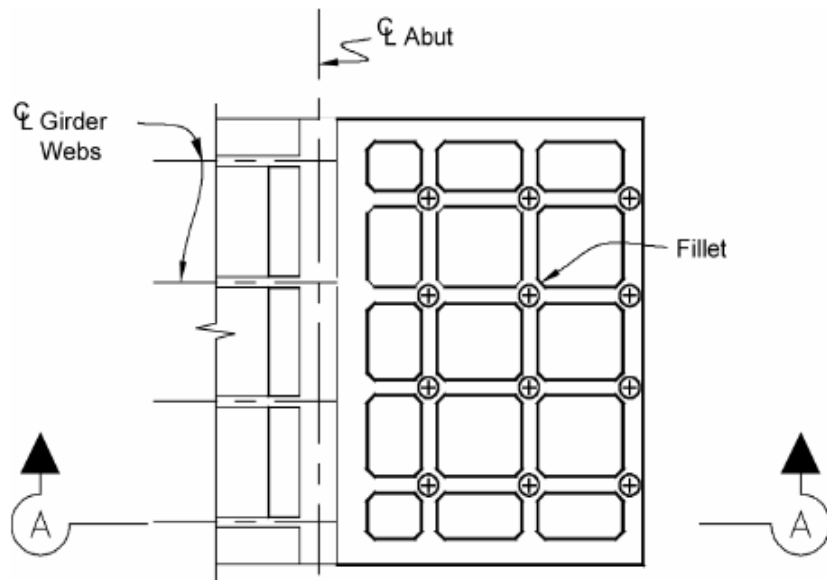
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- New Zealand settlement slab
 - Angle offers longitudinal resistance
 - Still have smooth approach



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■ Waffle slab retrofit

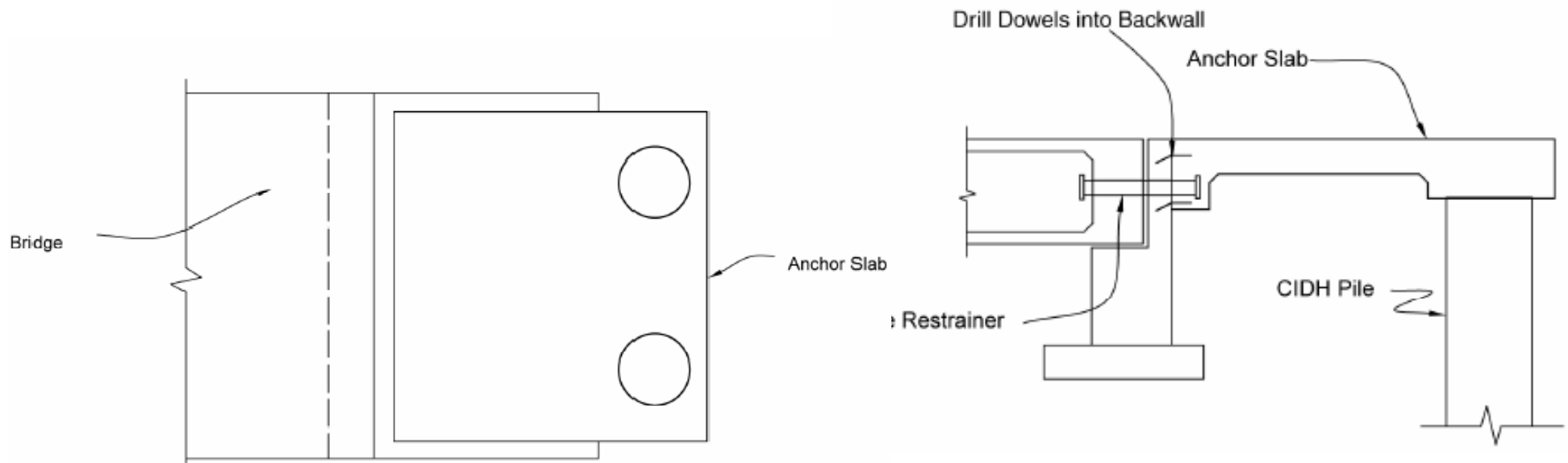


■ Resistance = $.96h$ ksf

■ Resistance 16" pile = 40 kips ultimate

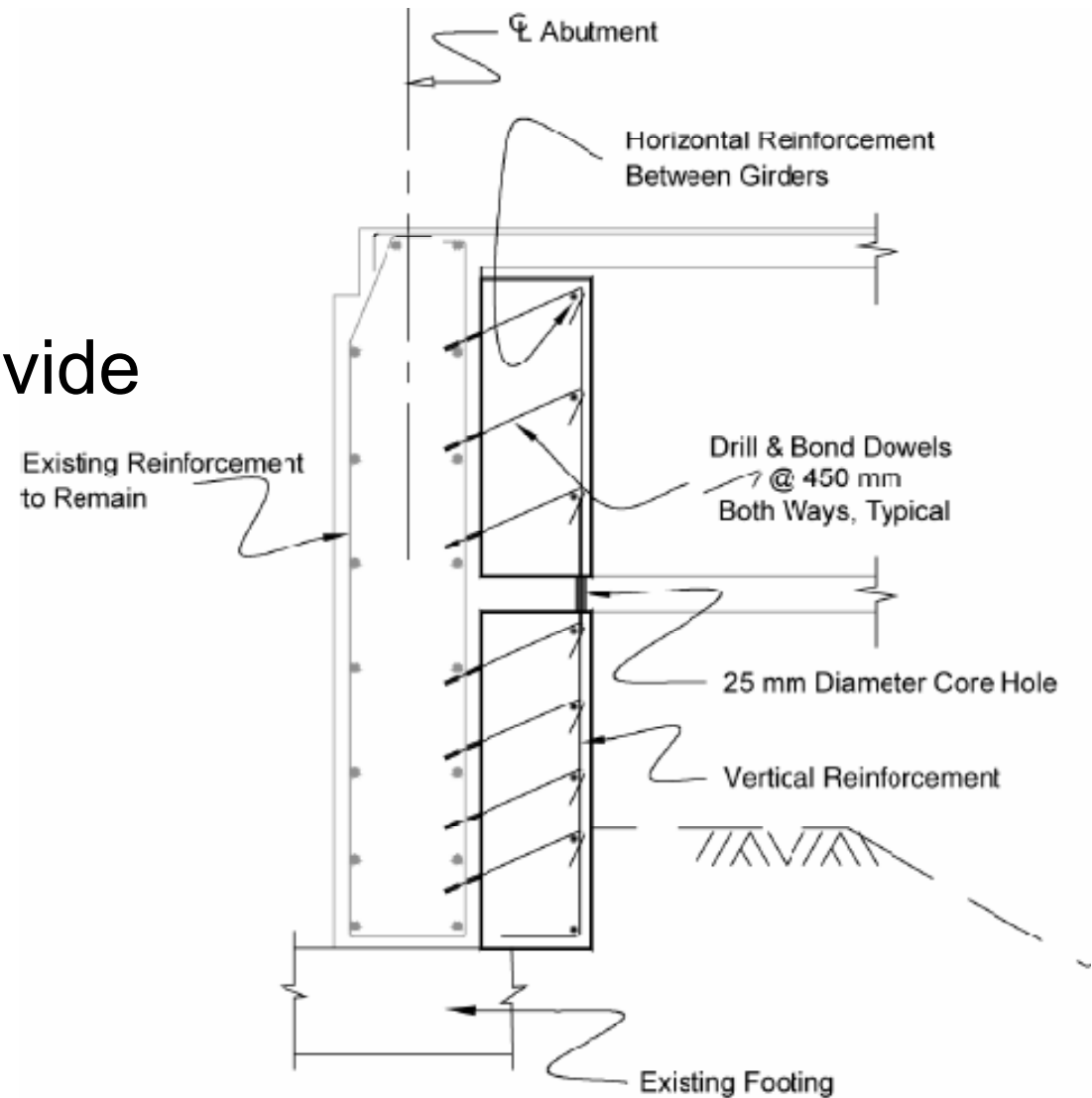
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- Anchor slab retrofit
 - Vertical capacity is of no concern
 - Must be securely connected to superstructure
 - Use damping ratio of 10%
 - Longitudinal forces will reduce 20%



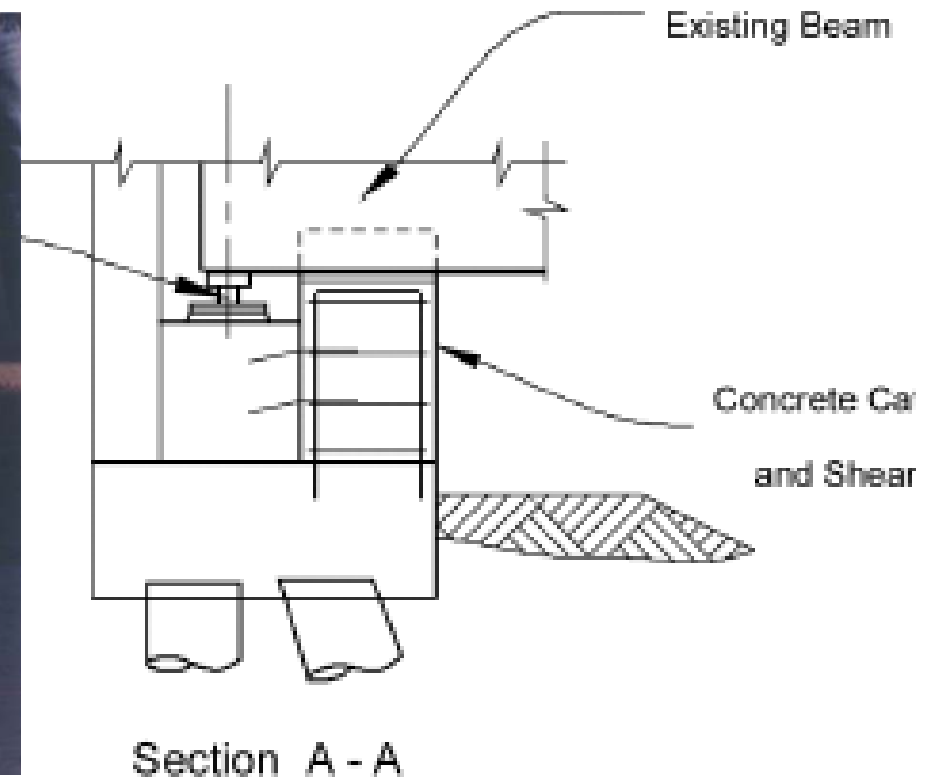
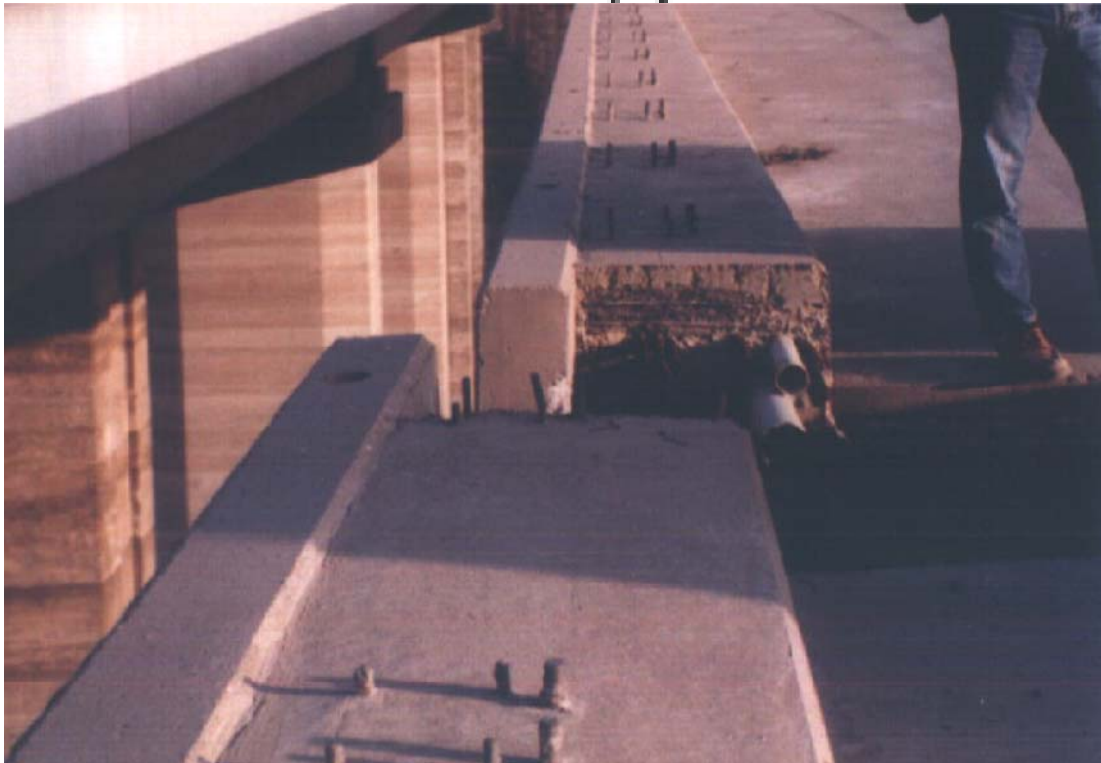
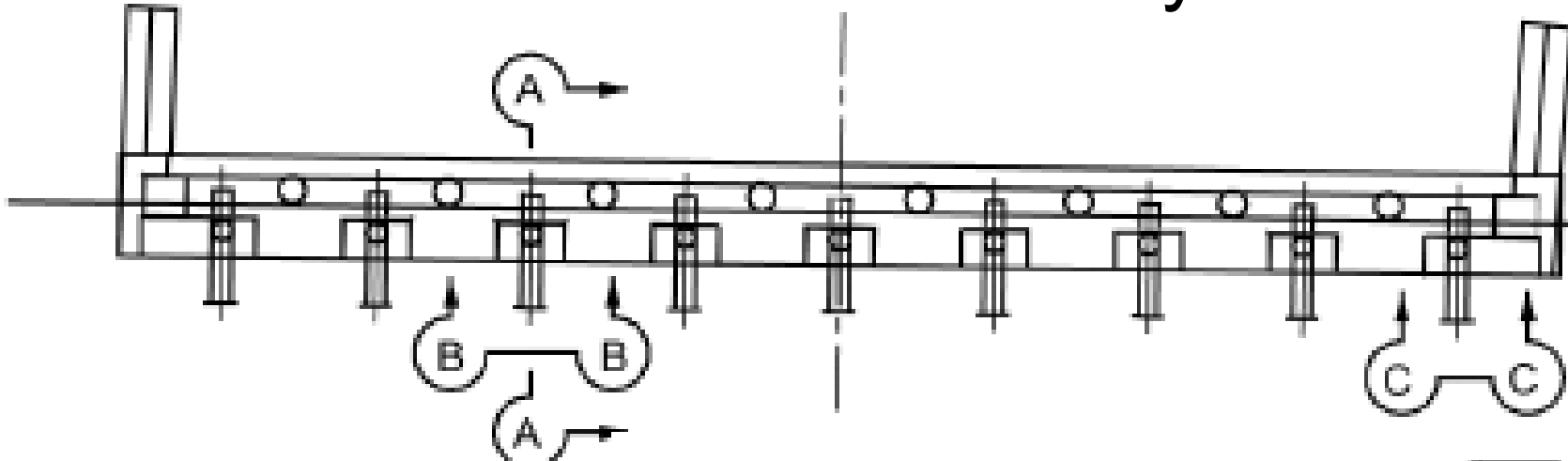
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- Diaphragm overlay
 - Must act composite
 - Utilize dowels to provide shear transfer



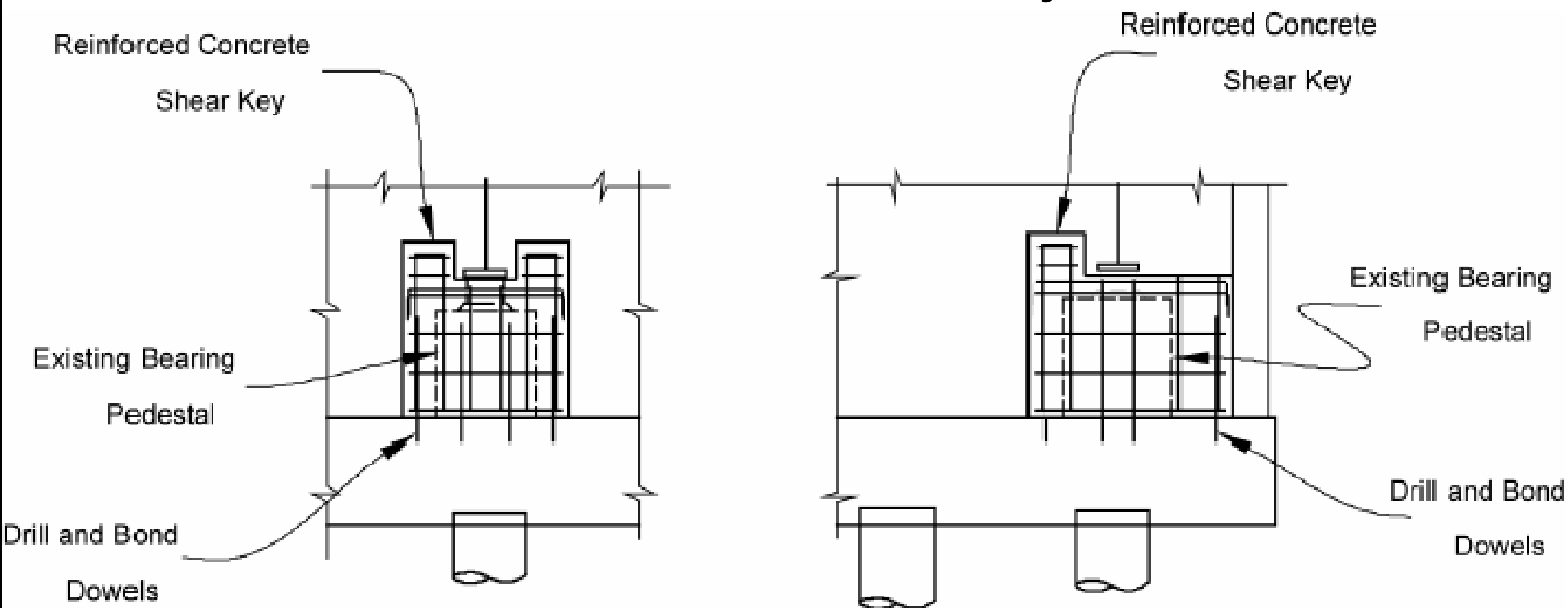
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- Concrete transverse shear keys



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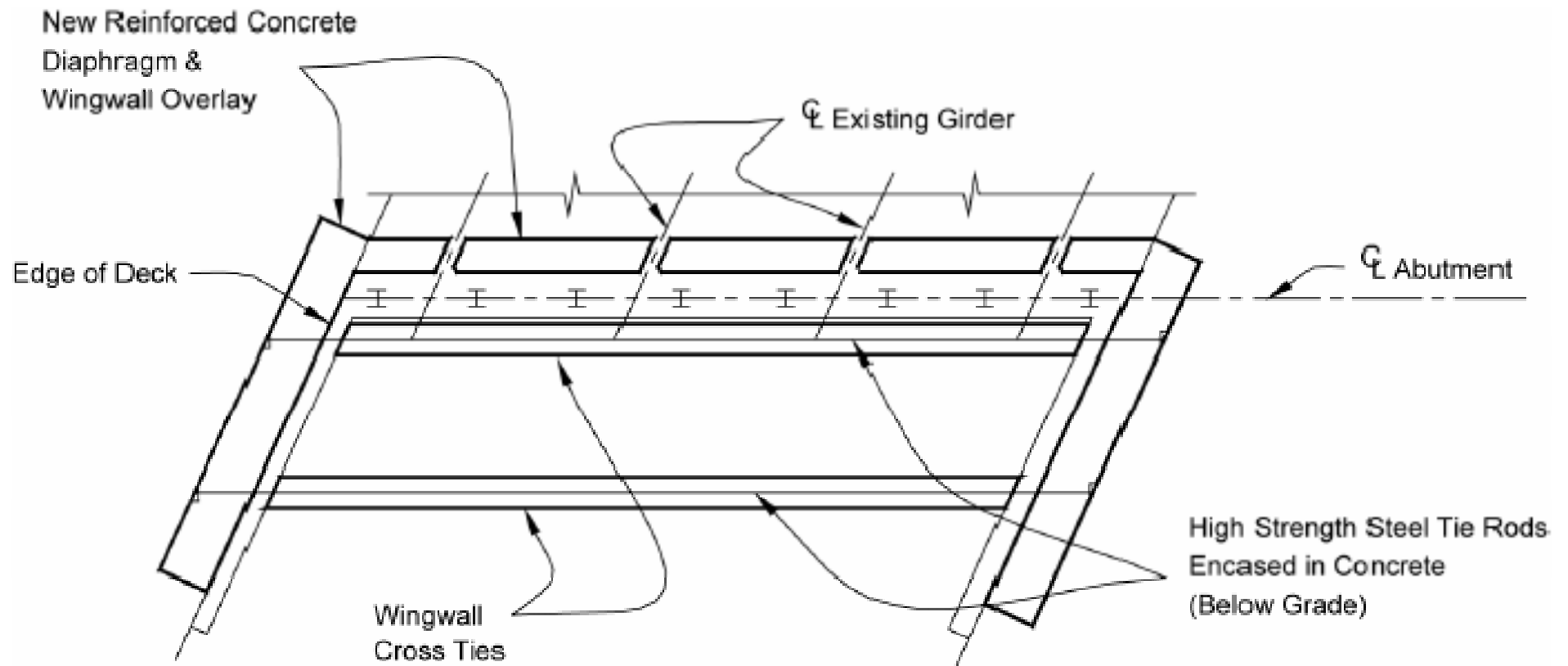
- Transverse soil anchors

- Lateral resistance methods:

- Lateral capacity of piles
 - Passive pressure on wingwalls
 - Friction on bottom of footing
 - Anchor slabs (previously discussed)
 - When these are not sufficient, consider soil anchors

Abutment retrofit measures

■ Wingwall cross-tie

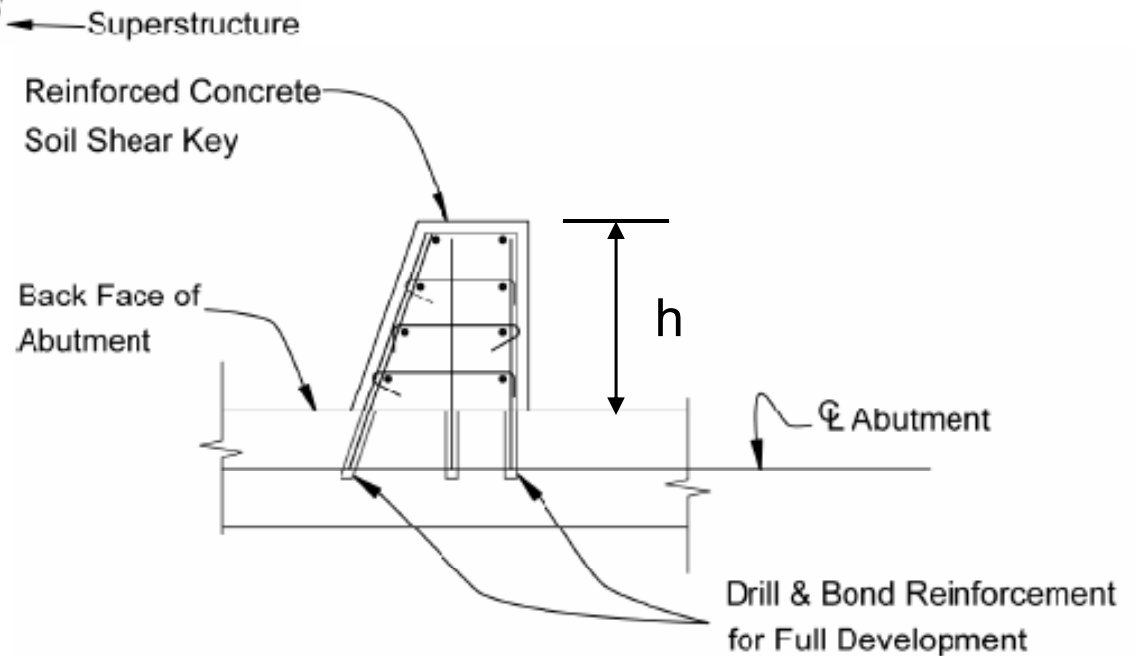
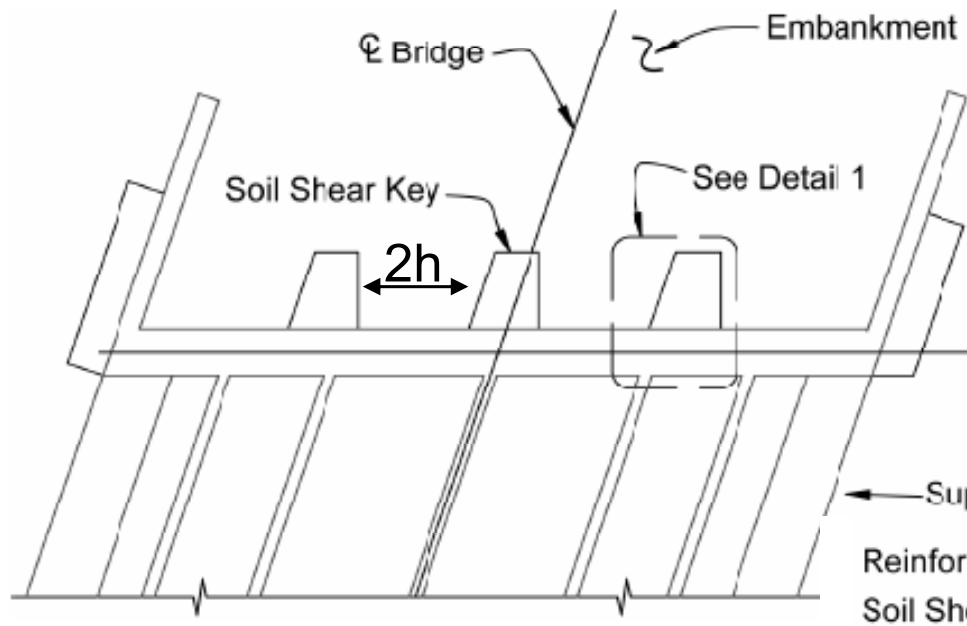


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■ Abutment soil shear keys

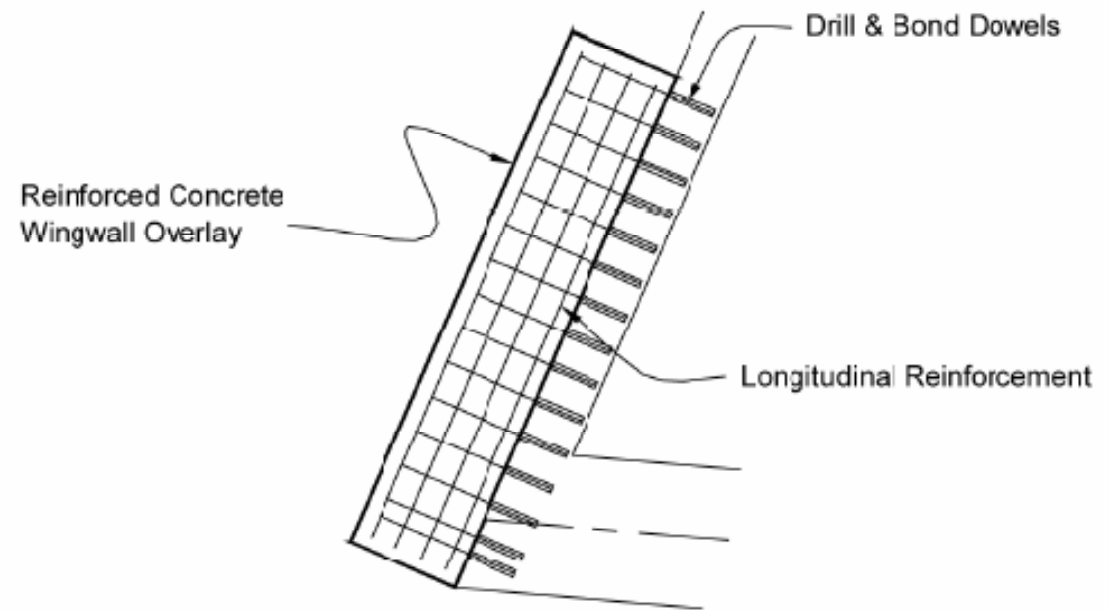
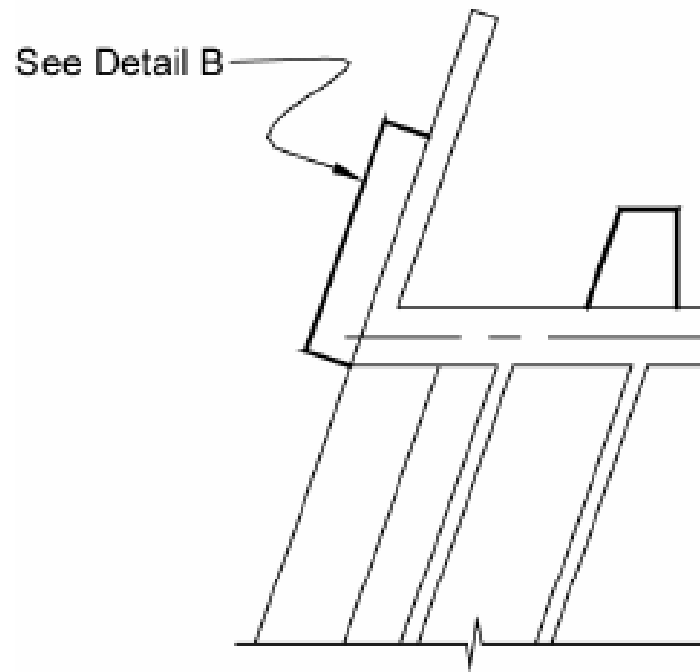
Design tips

- $P_p = .96h$ ksf
- To be fully effective:
clear space = $2h$
- Design shear for full passive pressure
- Use $R=2$ for flexure
- Abutment connection designed for overstrength moment



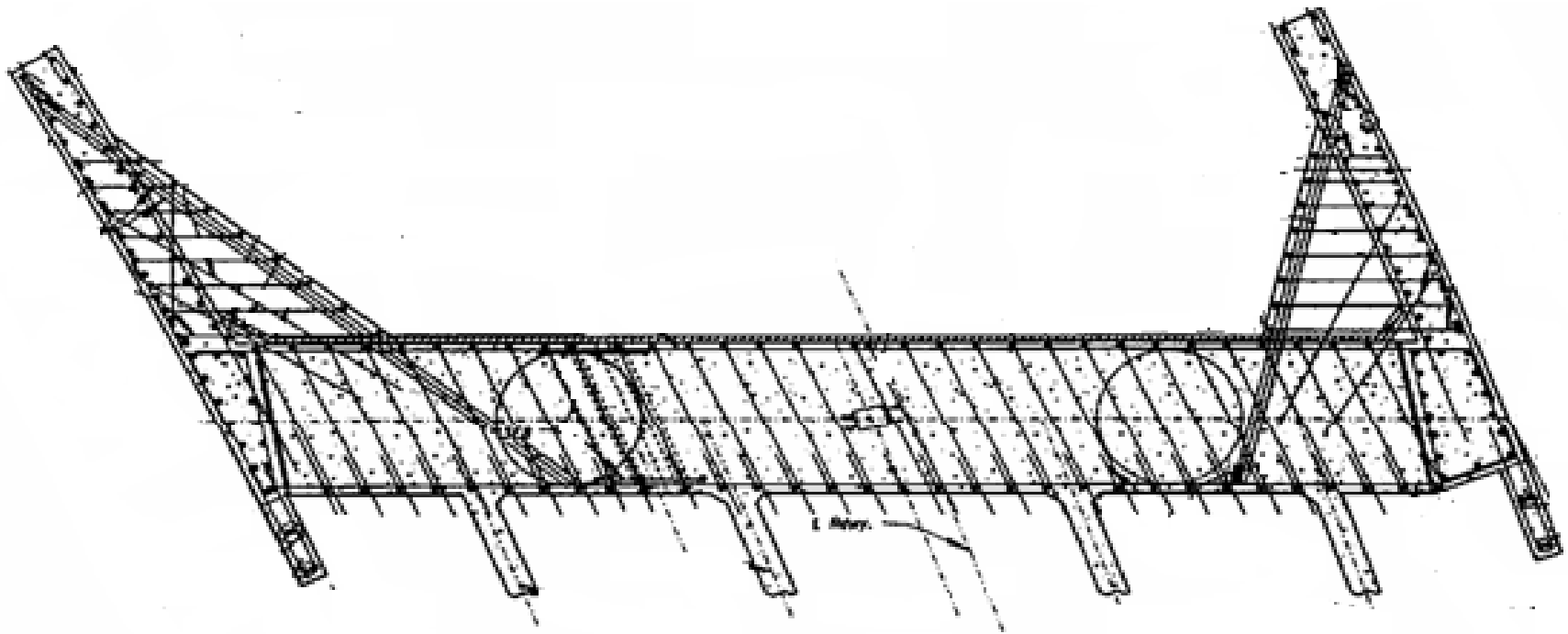
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■ Wing overlay



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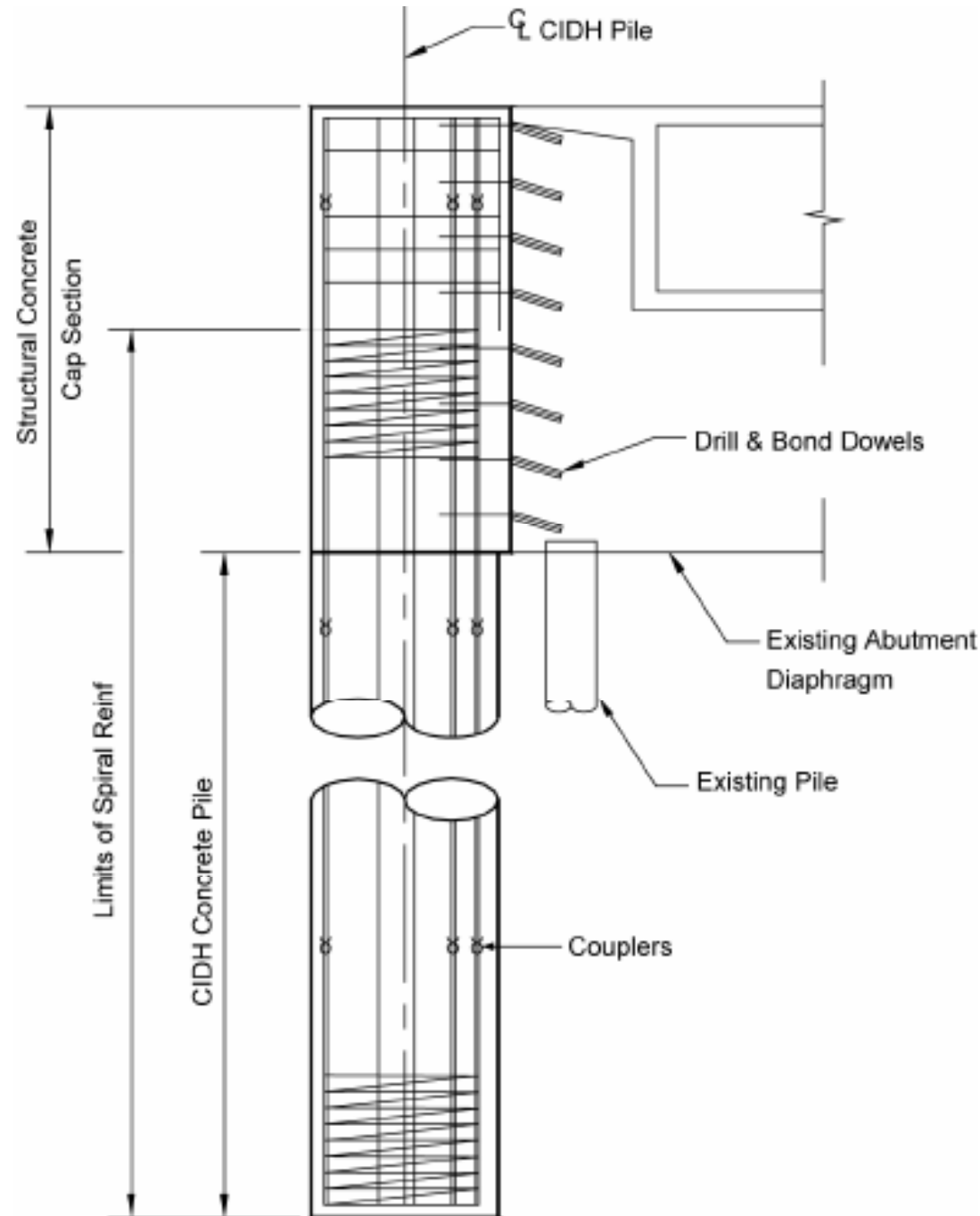
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ABUTMENT END DIAPHRAGM PLAN

Abutment retrofit measures

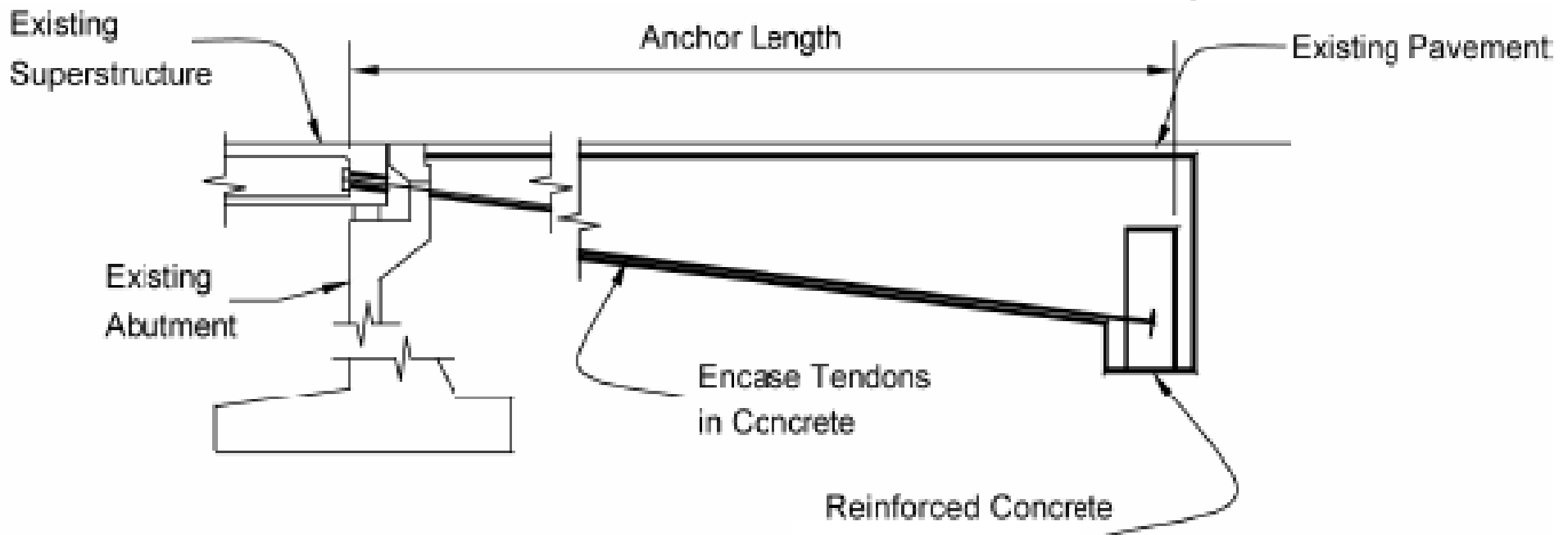
- CIDH pile shear key
 - Designed for lateral capacity only
 - More effective when fixed at top



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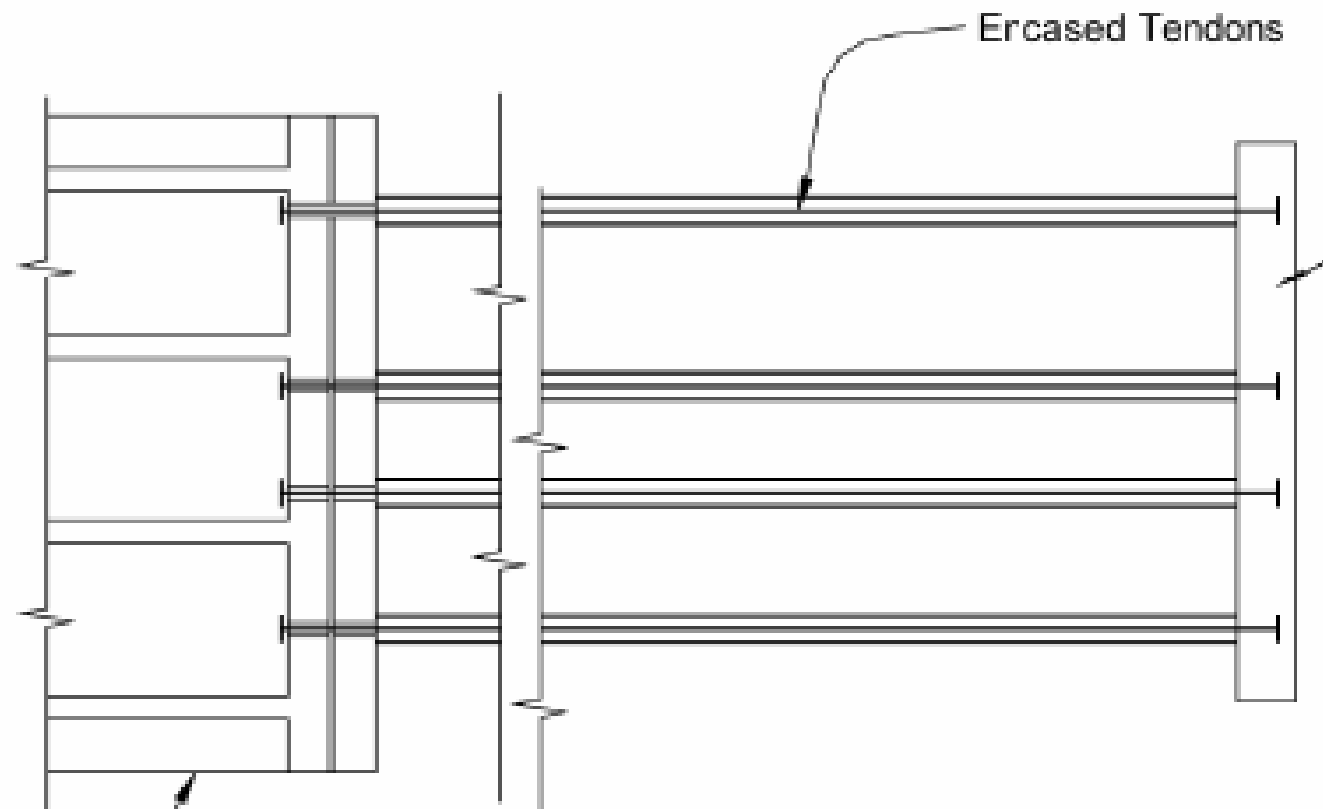
■ Deadman anchor

- ❑ Extend anchors to avoid backfill movement
- ❑ Embed tie rods in concrete trench for protection



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- Deadman anchor



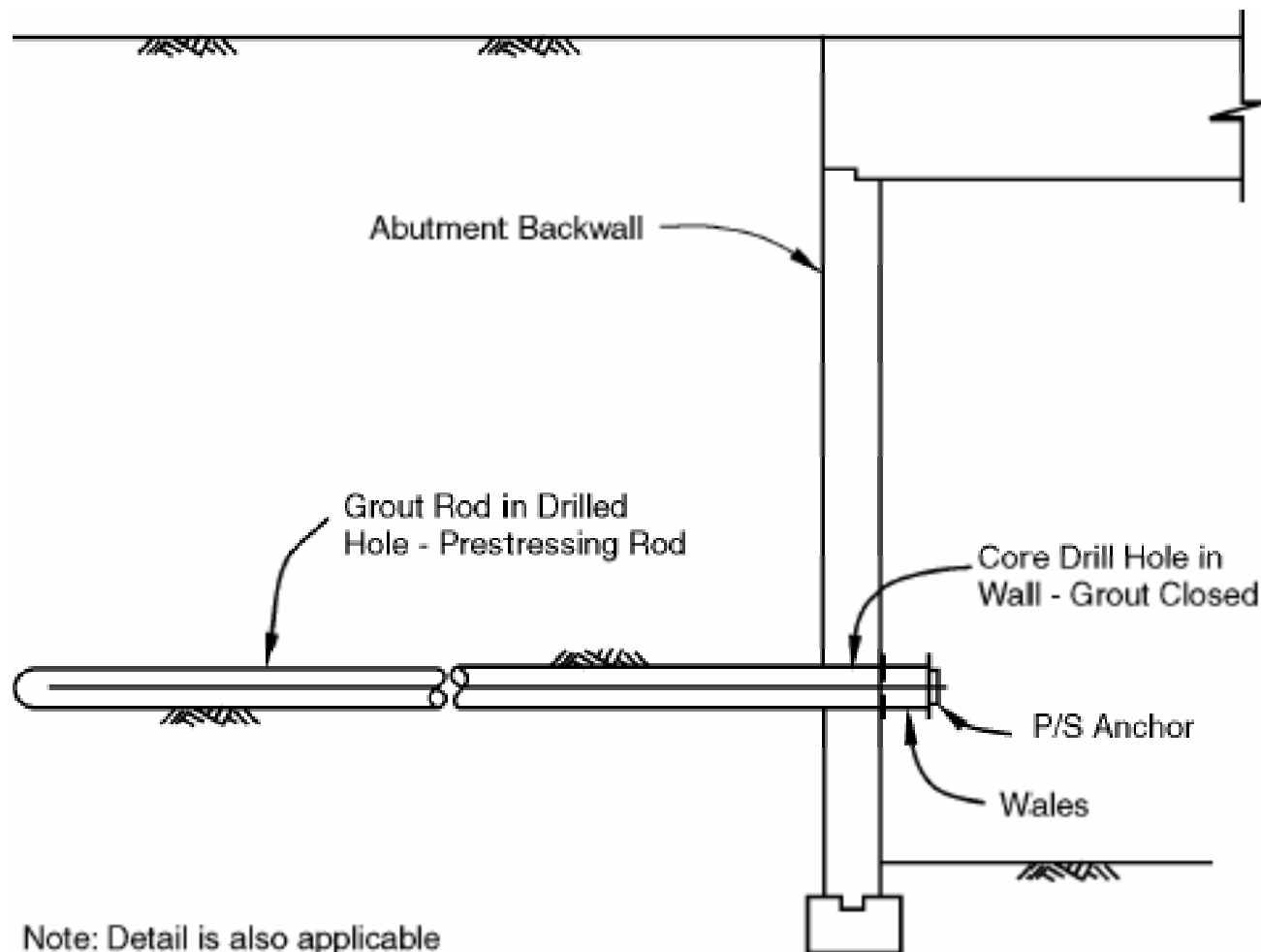
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■ Soil anchors

- Portion of rod is not grouted for prestressing
- Prestress ensures anchor is solid

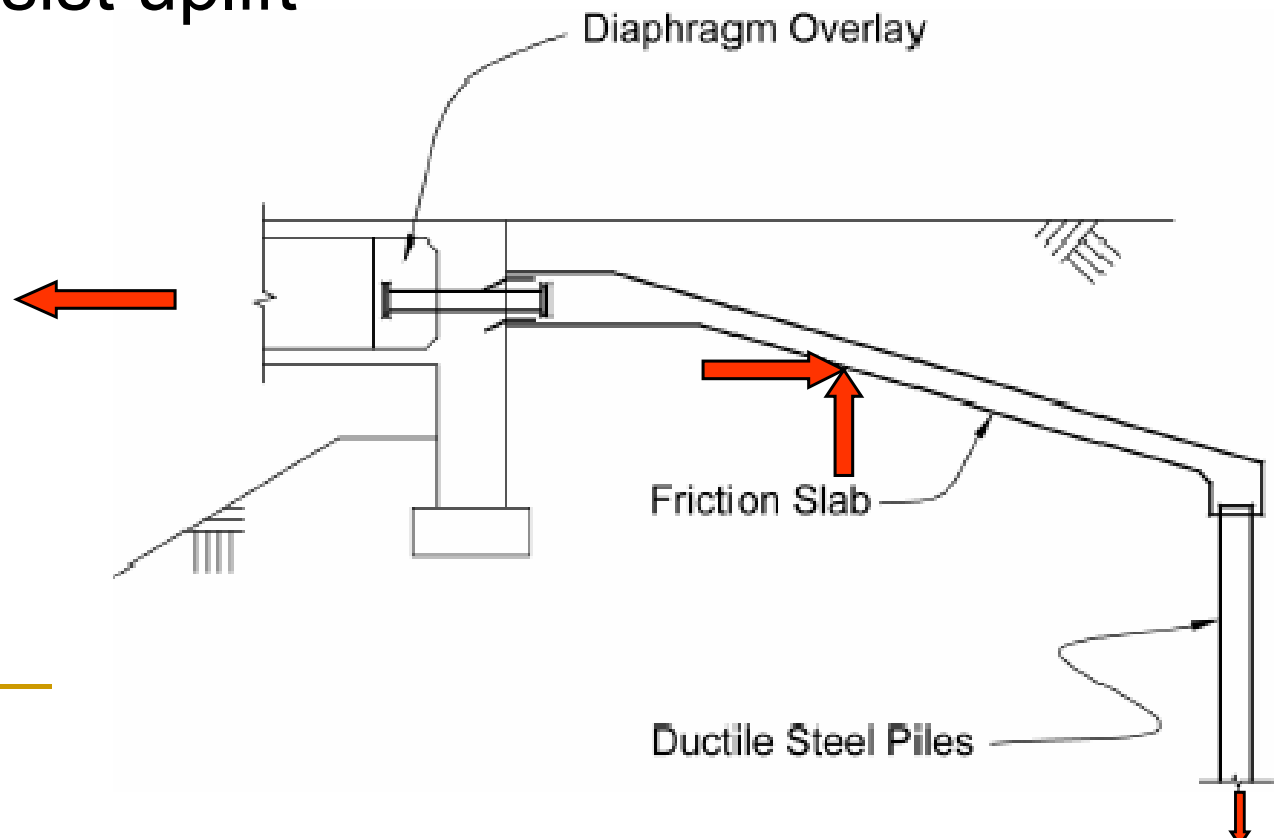


Note: Detail is also applicable
to seat-type abutments

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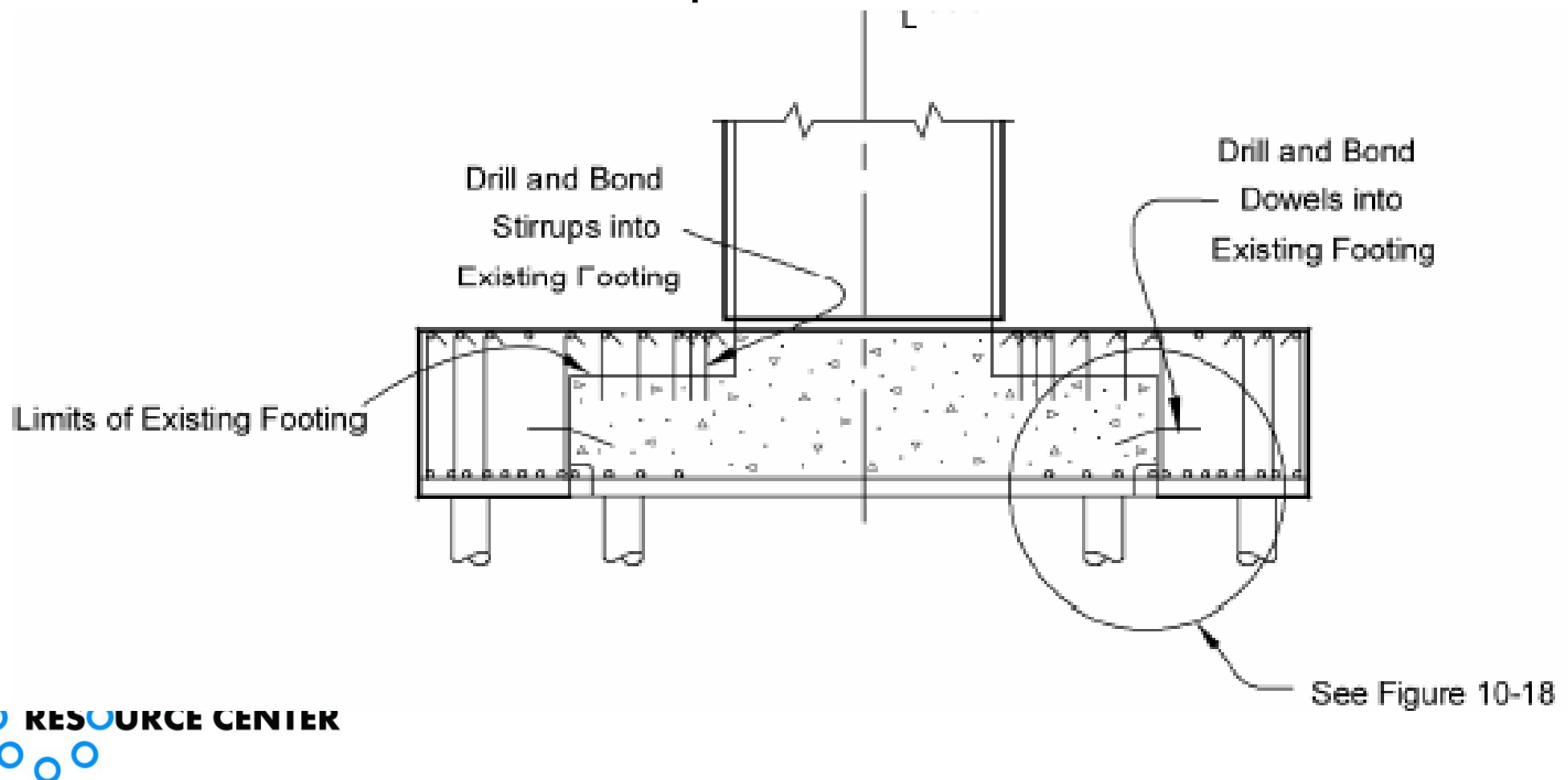
■ Abutment friction anchor

- Use with granular soils with little settlement
- 15 degree slope compresses slab as longitudinal movement occurs
- Steel piles resist uplift



Footing retrofit measures

- Footing strengthening
 - For stability
 - Check moment at top

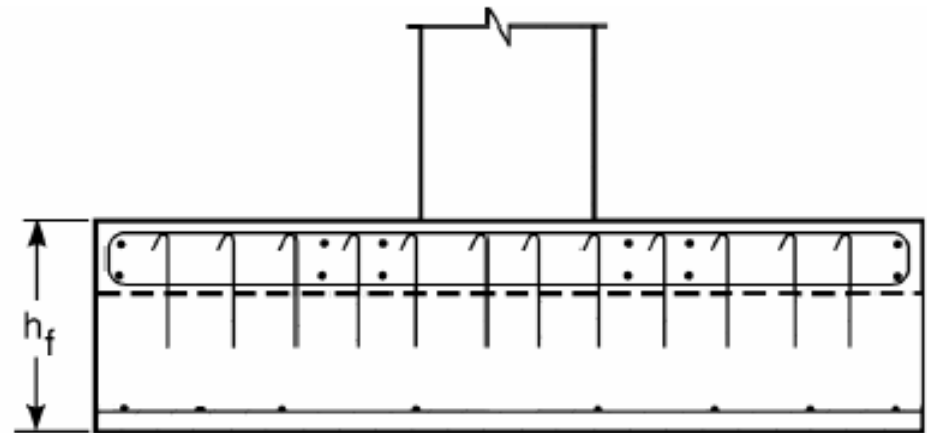
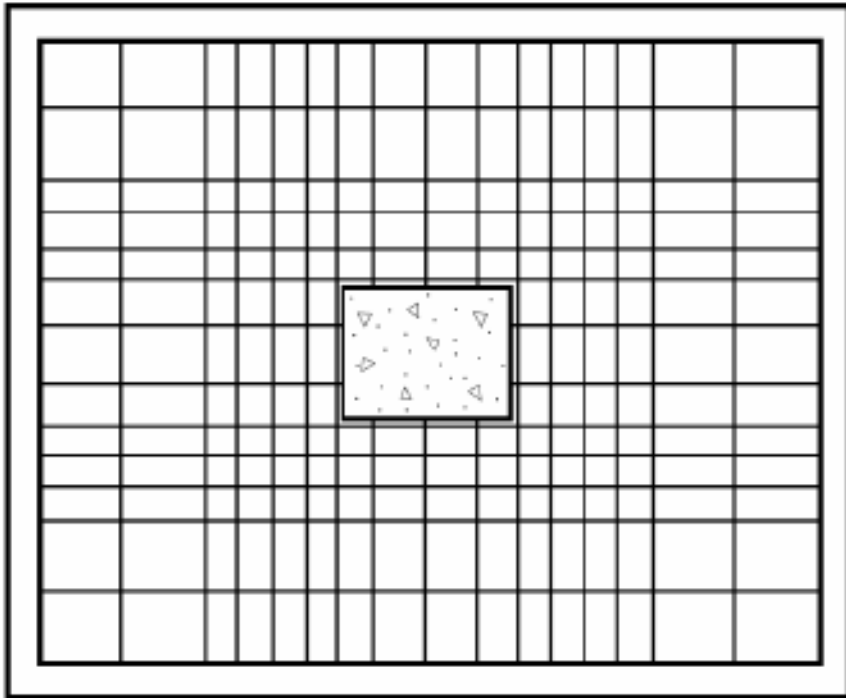


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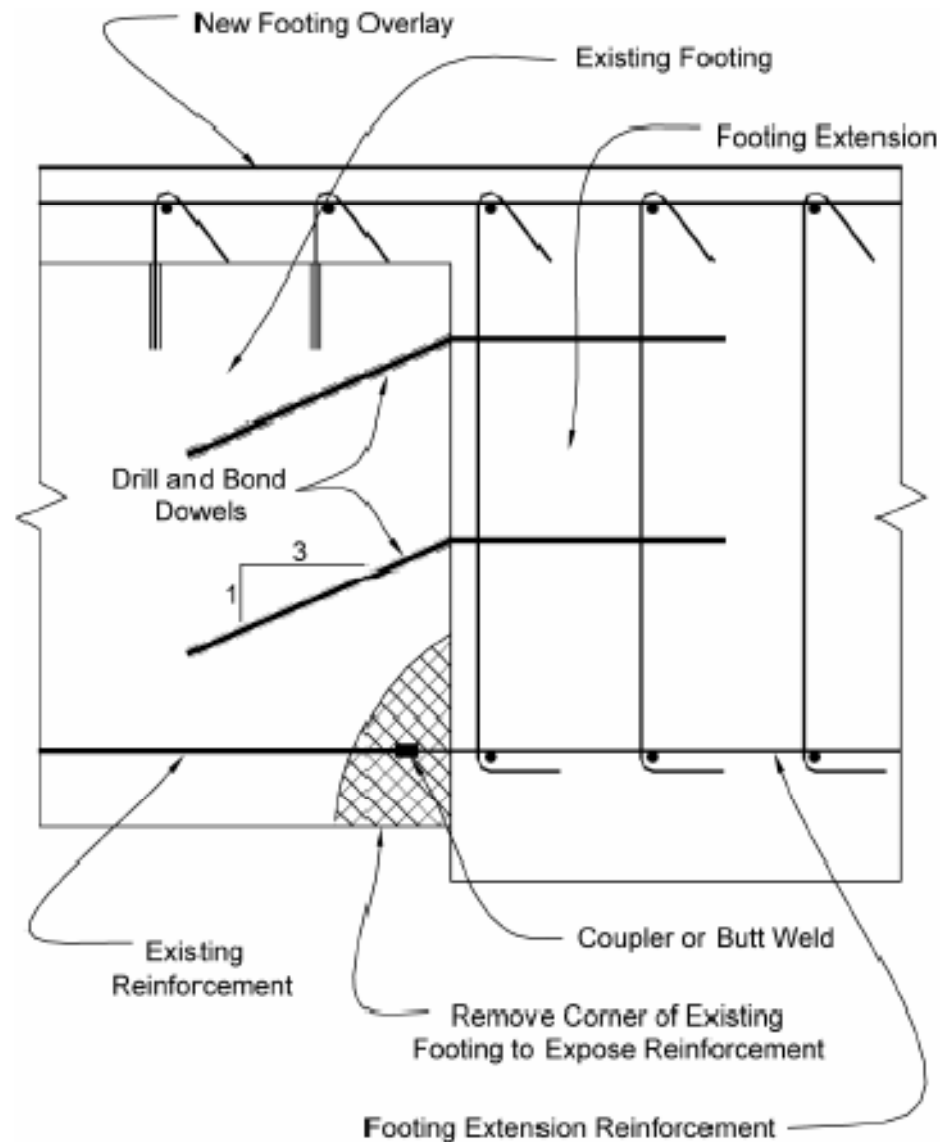
Footing retrofit measures

- Footing concrete overlay
 - Use overlay to increase negative moment capacity
 - Use added depth to check positive moment



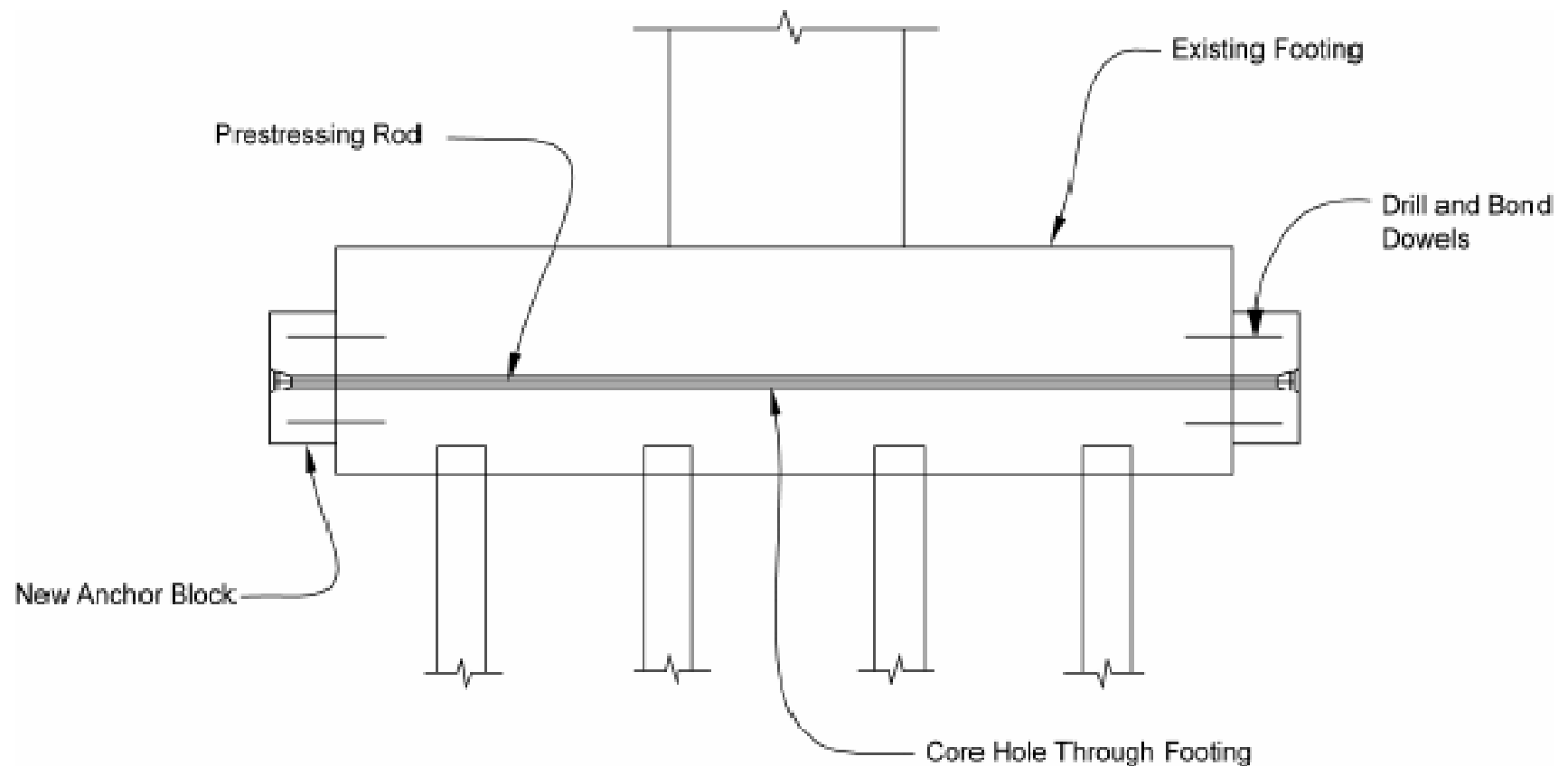
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■ Reinforcing splice detail



Footing retrofit measures

- Prestressing
 - Use to help positive moment



Footing retrofit measures (step 1)

- Determine design forces
 - Limit to flexural capacity of pier
 - Use overstrength moment
 - Material stronger than expected
 - Confinement of concrete
 - Strain hardening of steel
 - Increase axial load from EQ

Footing retrofit measures (step 2)

- Check OT capacity
 - If exceeded-check stability with a rocking analysis
 - This may eliminate retrofit requirements

Footing retrofit measures (step 3)

- Design for shear

- Difficult to retrofit

- Increase footing depth with overlay
 - Add prestressing bars
 - Add vertical bars through drilled holes (must pass bottom layer with hooks (anchors) to be effective or reduce effectiveness 50%)

Footing retrofit measures (step 4)

- Design for flexure
 - Top reinforcing lacking very often
 - Add overlay with steel and dowels
 - $\frac{1}{2}$ should be within thickness of footing from column
 - Extra depth helps positive moment
 - Place prestress as close to column as possible

Footing retrofit measures (step 5)

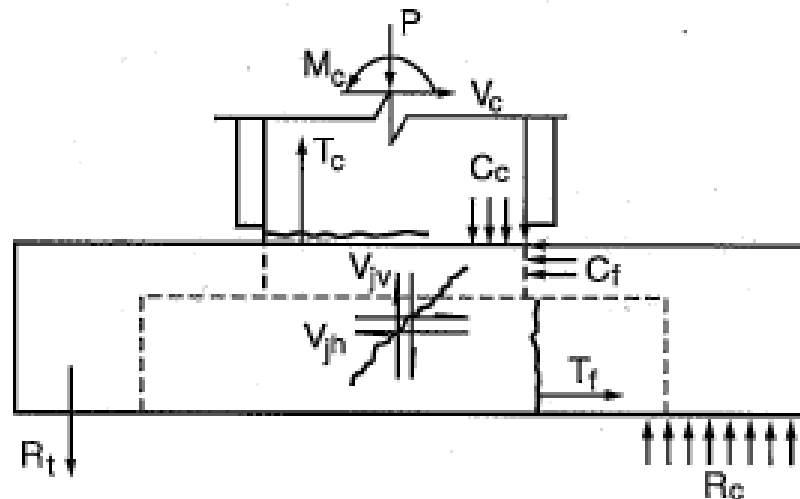
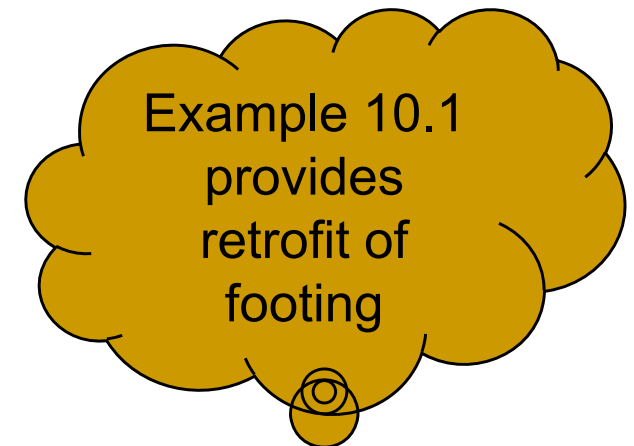
- Design dowels to connect to existing concrete
 - Should transfer shear stress at interface
 - Use shear friction approach- $\mu=1.0$
 - If used for shear strength, proper anchorage at bottom is required-(difficult to do this)

Footing retrofit measures (step 6)

- Check column-to-footing joint shear
 - Research shows principal failure is from joint shear

Footing retrofit measures (step 7)

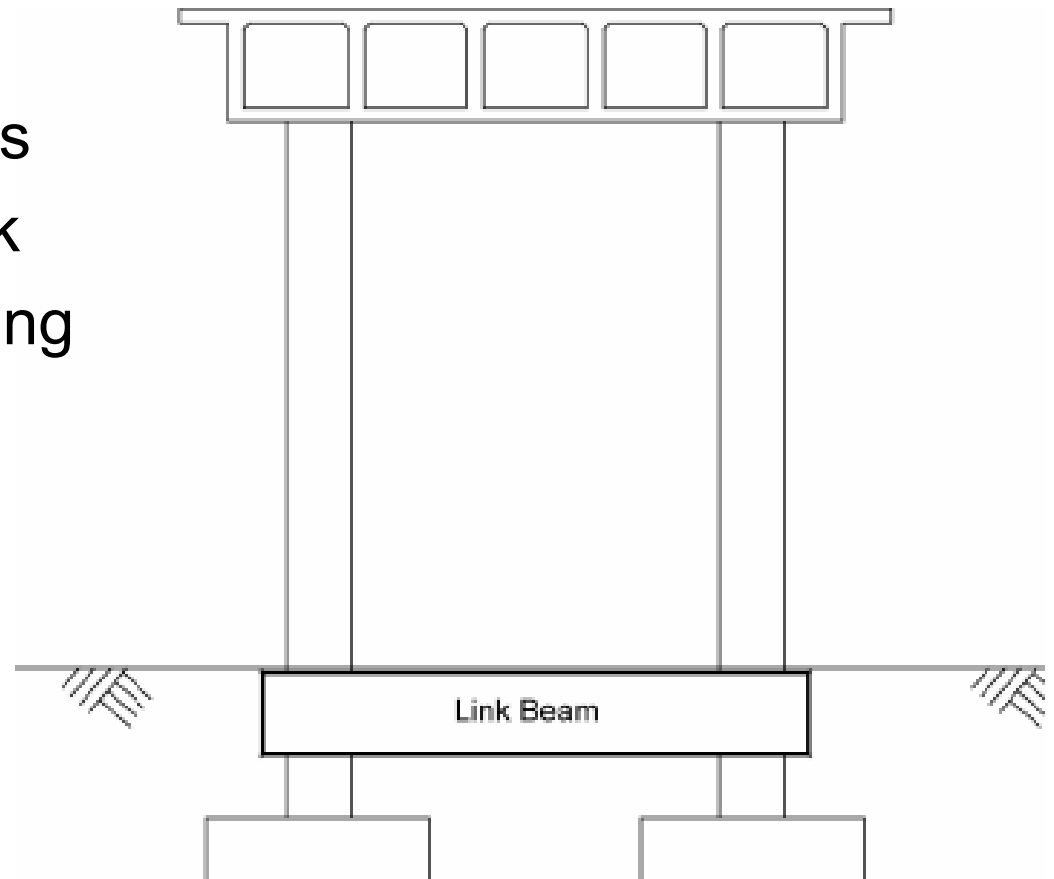
- Overlay capacity
 - Strut and tie model
 - Yield line theory
 - Easier to just make overlay thicker



Limiting forces transmitted to footings

■ Footing link beam

- Objective is to force hinge in the column above the link
- Redistribution of forces
- Limits shear below link
- Limits moment at footing



Pile to footing connection

■ Adding new piles

- ❑ Steel pipe piles filled with conc and rebar
 - Stiffer than H piles to resist lateral loads
 - Good connection to new footing

■ CIDH

- ❑ Can be drilled in low head room
- ❑ Very stiff for lateral loads
- ❑ Good connection to new footing

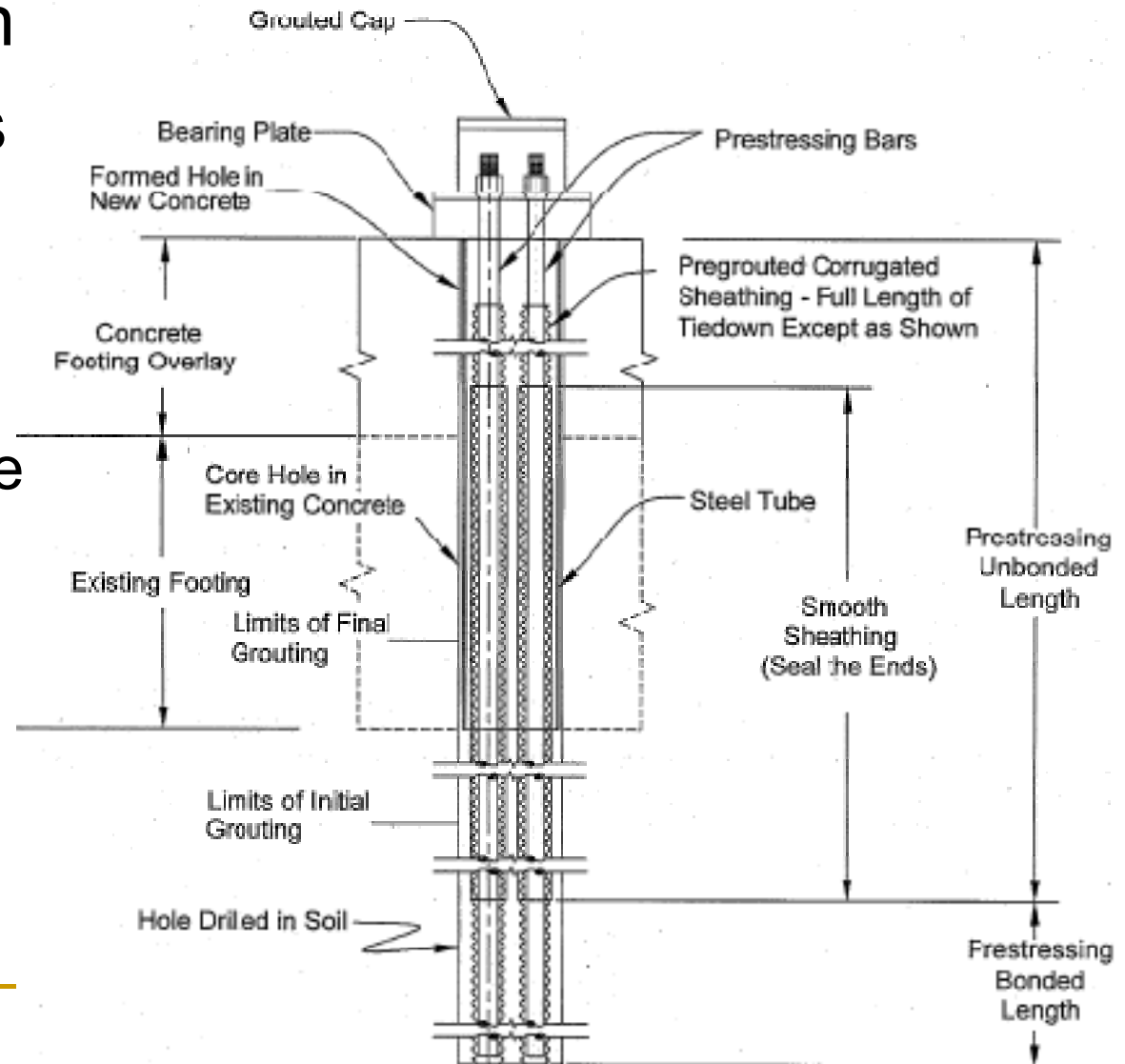
Pile to footing connection

- Prestress tie down

- Proof load tiedown

- Pile capacity limits amount of prestress

- Due to footing rotation, limited use to short columns (before fully effective-rotation may be large)



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Footing retrofit measures

- Footing replacement
- Strengthening of footings
- Limiting forces transmitted to footings

- What questions do you have?

