

# REPAIR AND STRENGTHENING OF BRIDGES IN INDIANA USING FIBER REINFORCED POLYMER SYSTEMS

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## INTRODUCTION



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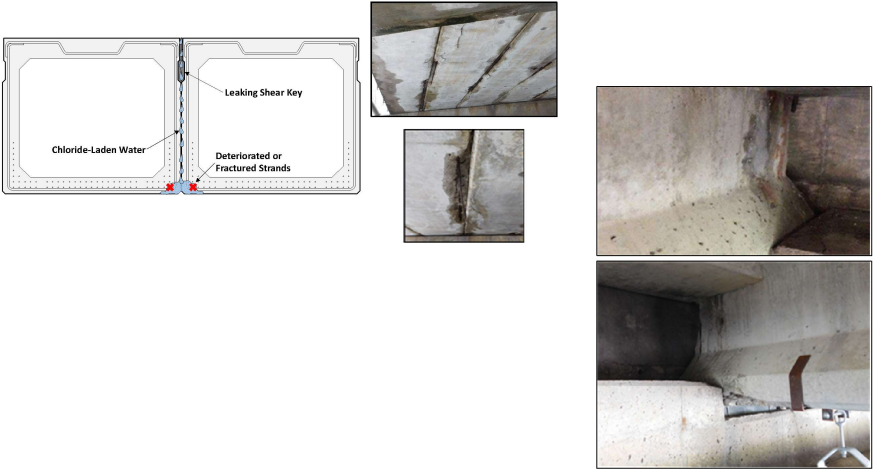
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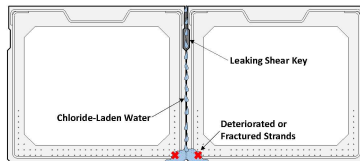
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# BACKGROUND AND MOTIVATION



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### Other Repair/Strengthening Applications

- Repair after vehicle impact
  - Column confinement
- Other strength deficiencies (Shear/Flexure)
- Increase member stiffness

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## OUTLINE

*Introduction to Fiber Reinforced Polymer (FRP) Systems*



*Flexural Strengthening Experimental Program*

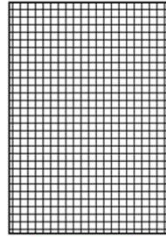
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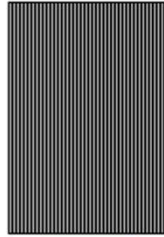
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## CONSTITUENT MATERIALS & PROPERTIES



Mesh



Sheet



Strip



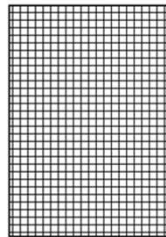
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### Resins and Adhesives

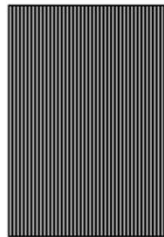


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## CONSTITUENT MATERIALS & PROPERTIES



Mesh



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FRP System (w/ epoxy)	Young's Modulus (ksi)	Ultimate Strength (ksi)	Rupture Strain
Carbon (high-strength)	15,000 - 21,000	150 - 350	0.010 - 0.015
Glass (E-glass)	3000 - 6000	75 - 200	0.015 - 0.030
Aramid (high-performance)	7000 - 10,000	100 - 250	0.020 - 0.030

*Fiber volume fraction of the laminates shown is about 40-60%*

Adapted from ACI 440.2R-17, as presented in Kim et al. (2012)

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# TYPES OF FRP REPAIR/STRENGTHENING SYSTEMS

**Externally Bonded**

Sheets



**Near-Surface-Mounted (NSM)**



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## EXTERNALLY BONDED FRP INSTALLATION

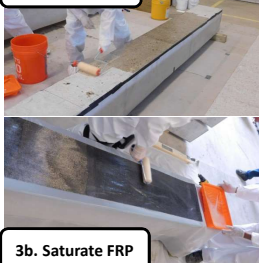
1. Surface Preparation



2. Round Edges



3a. Seal Surface



3b. Saturate FRP



3d. Roll FRP

3e. Squeegee FRP



3f. Insert FRP Anchor



3g. Fan FRP Anchors



3h. Apply FRP Patches

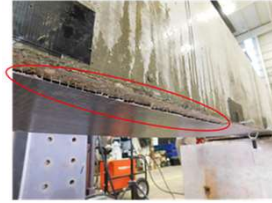
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## FRP ANCHORAGE

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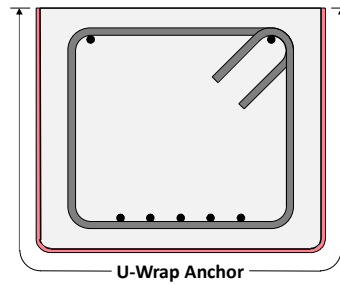
- Contact Critical

- **Bond Critical**



- Common Anchorage Techniques Using FRP

- U-Wrap Anchors



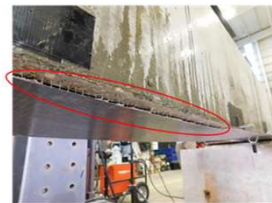
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## FRP ANCHORAGE

- Externally Bonded Sheets

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- Common Anchorage Techniques Using FRP

- U-Wrap Anchors

- Spike Anchors

- Metallic Anchors

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## TYPES OF FRP REPAIR/STRENGTHENING SYSTEMS

**Externally Bonded**



**Near-Surface-Mounted (NSM)**

Bars or Strips



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## NEAR-SURFACE-MOUNTED (NSM) FRP INSTALLATION

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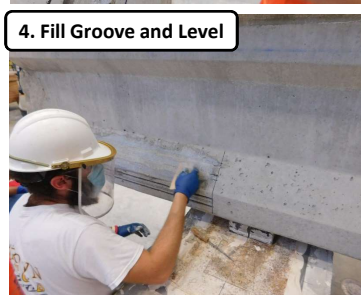
2. Partially Fill Groove



3. Insert Strip

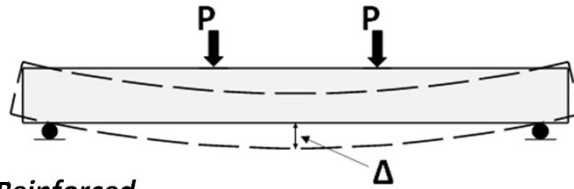


4. Fill Groove and Level



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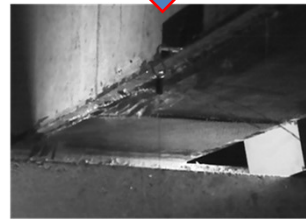
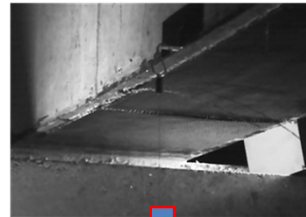


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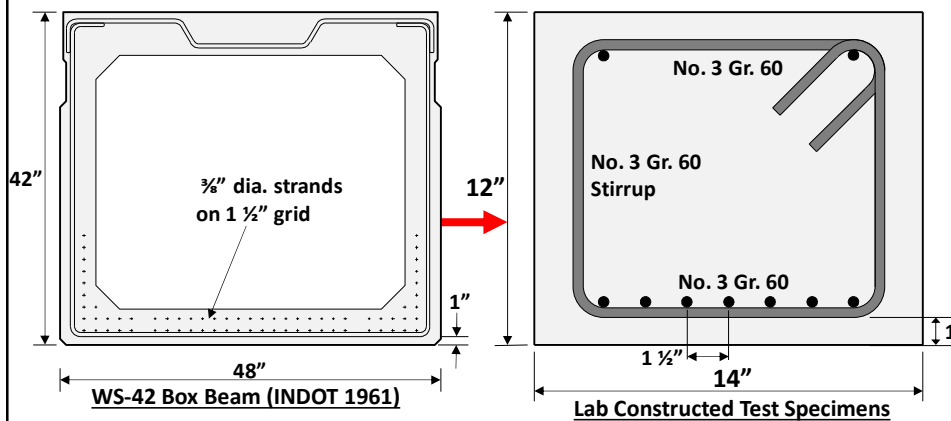
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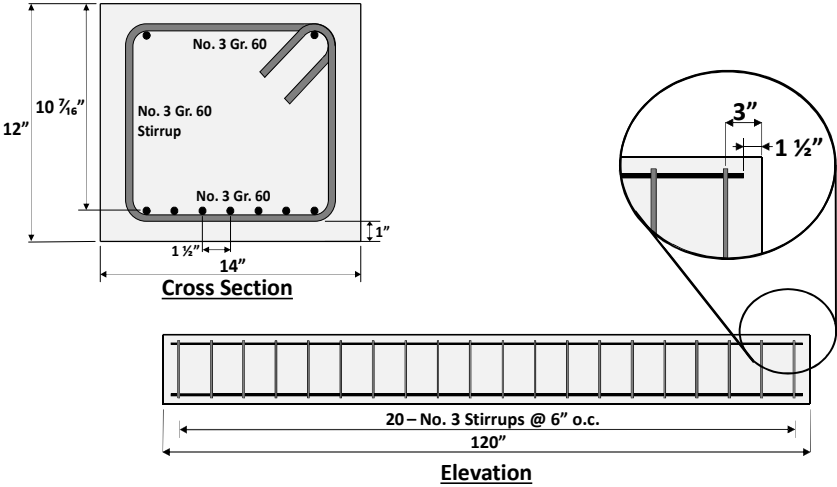
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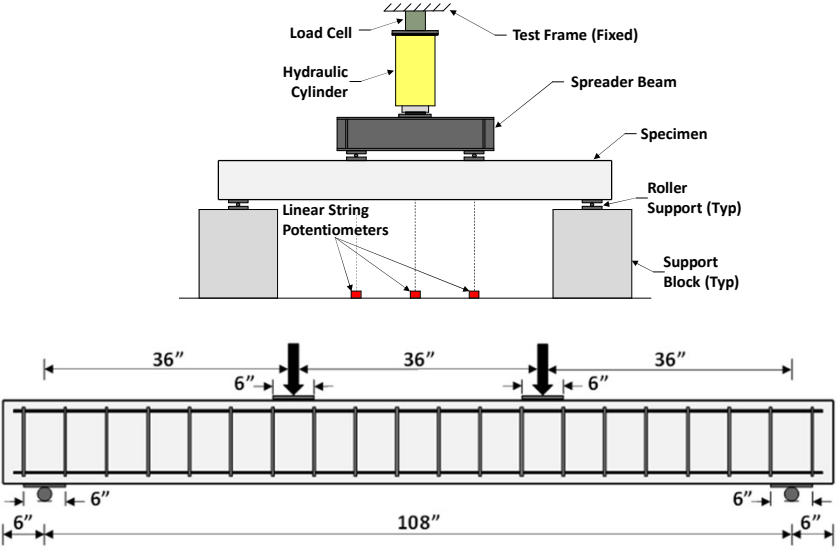


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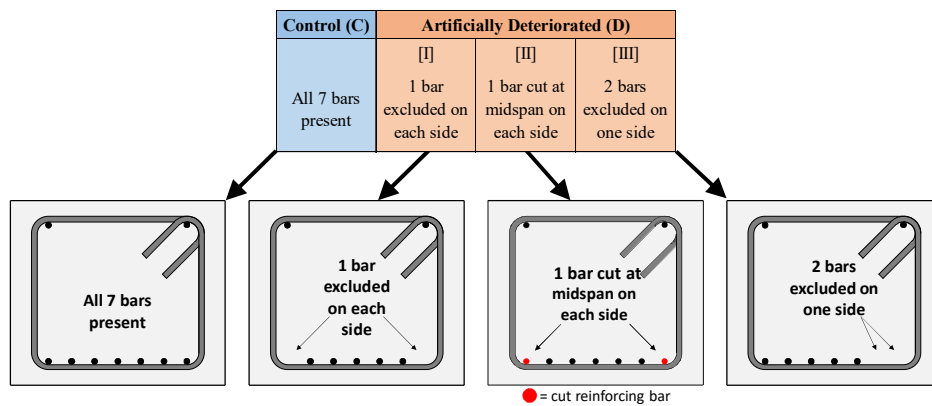


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# TEST MATRIX

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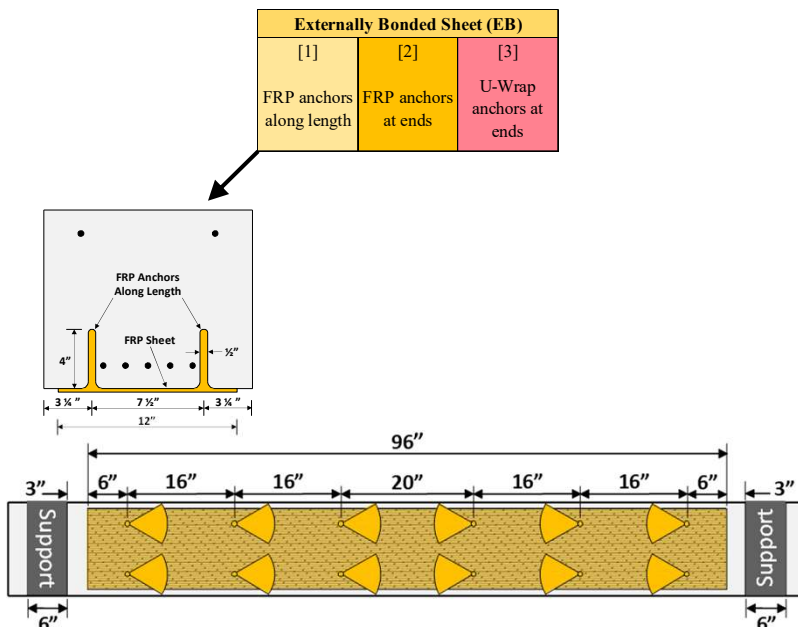
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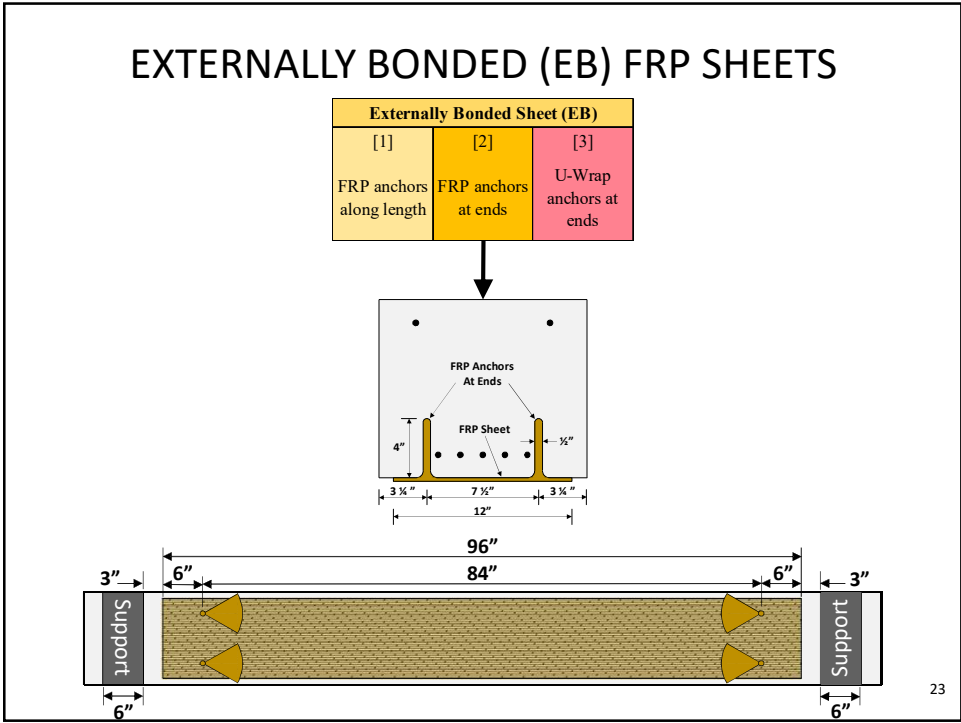
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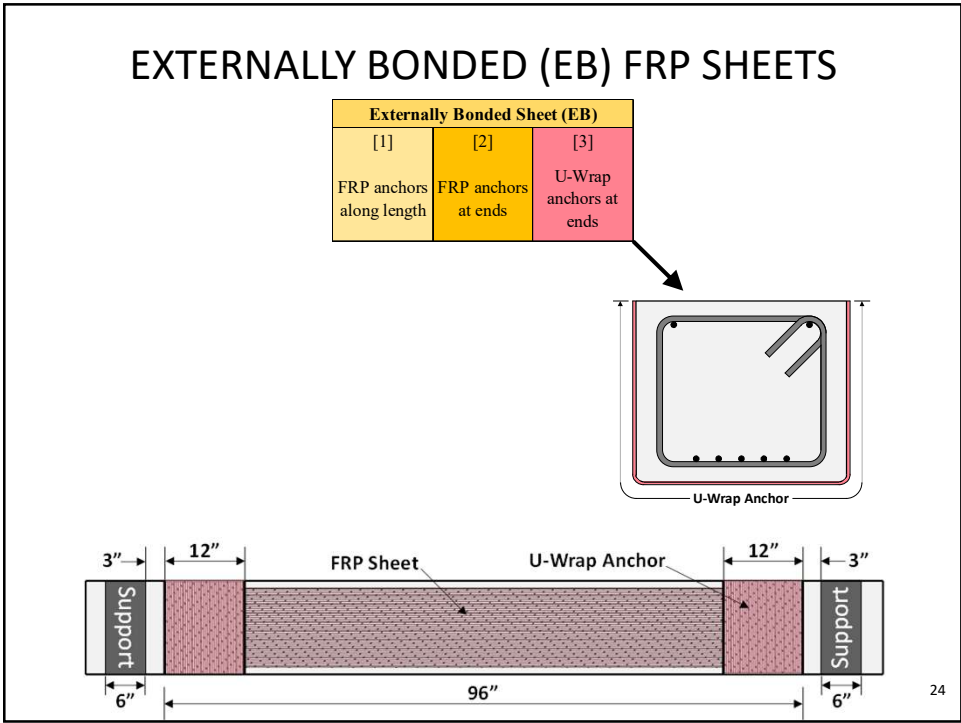
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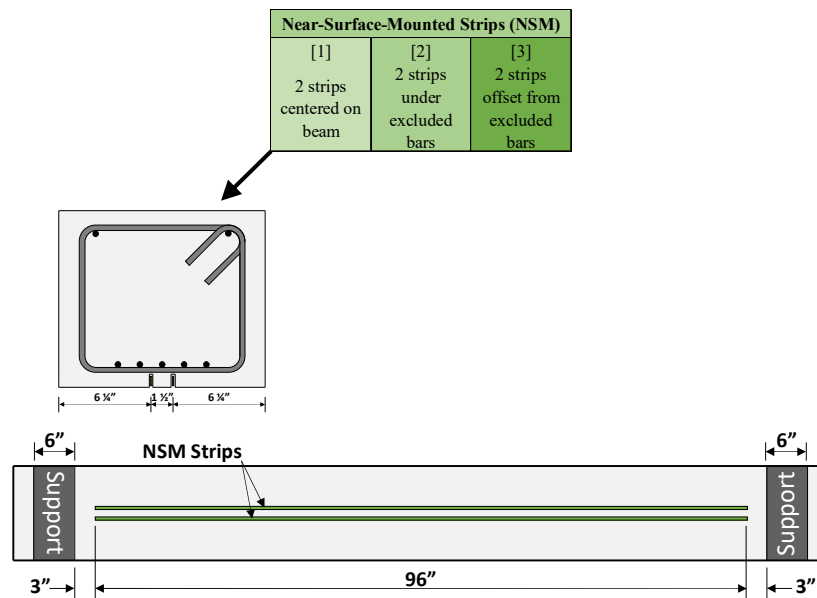


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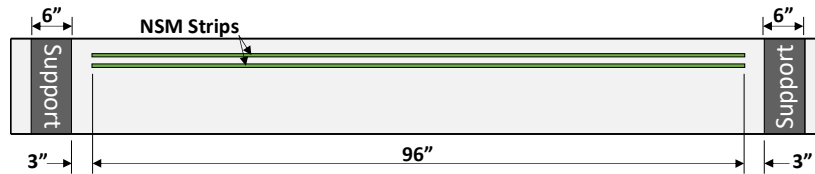
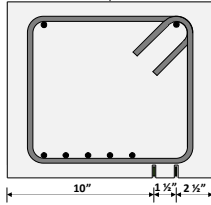
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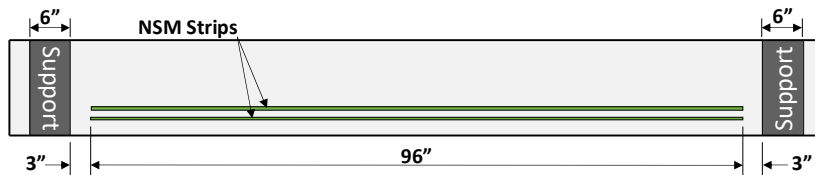
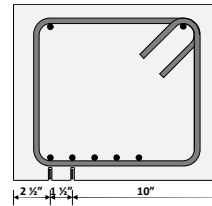
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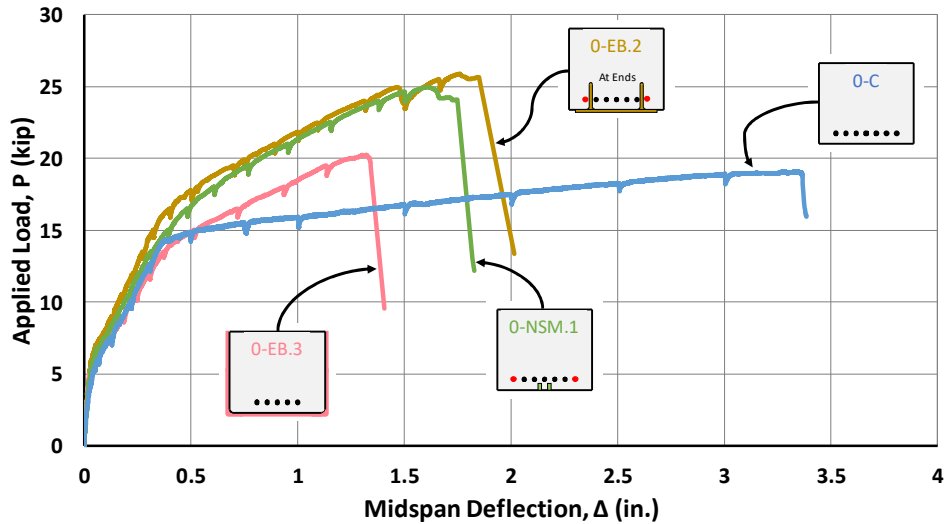
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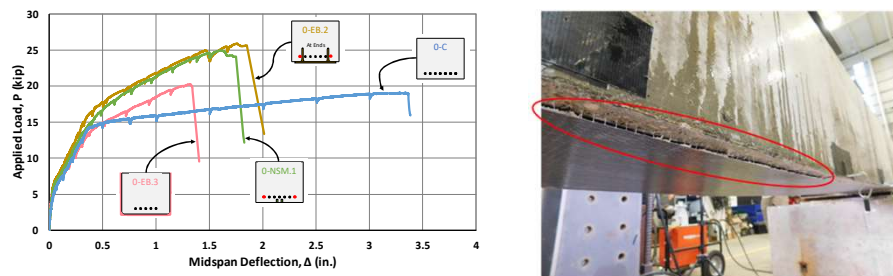
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### Key Results

- U-wrap anchorage system replaced with spike anchors installed along the length of sheet
  - Based on performance/behavior and limitations for adjacent box beams
  - Local debonding along the edge of the FRP sheet

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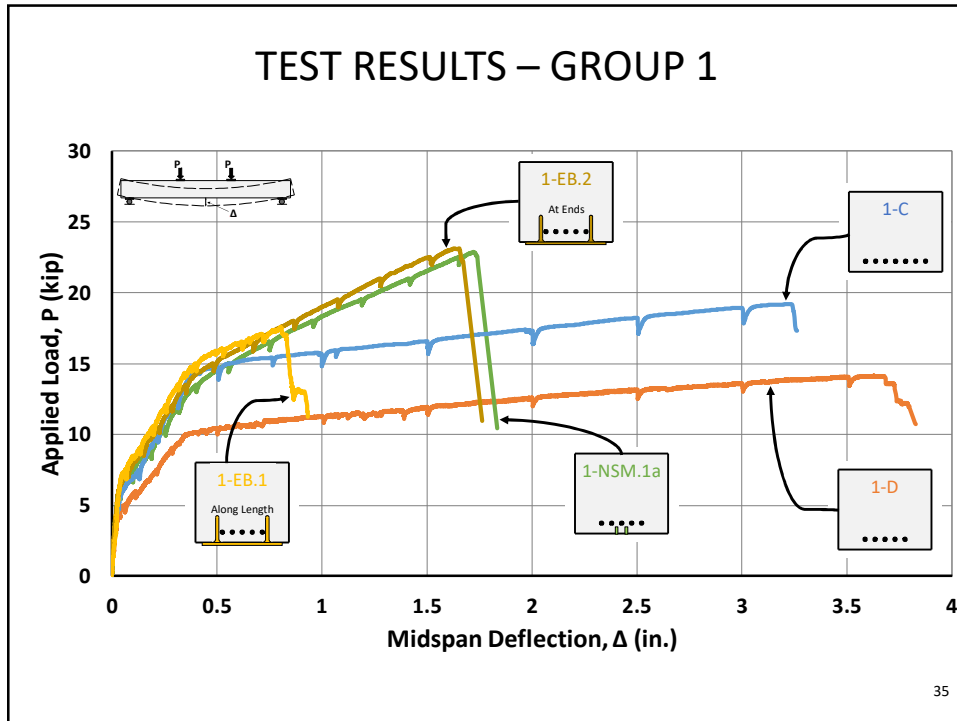
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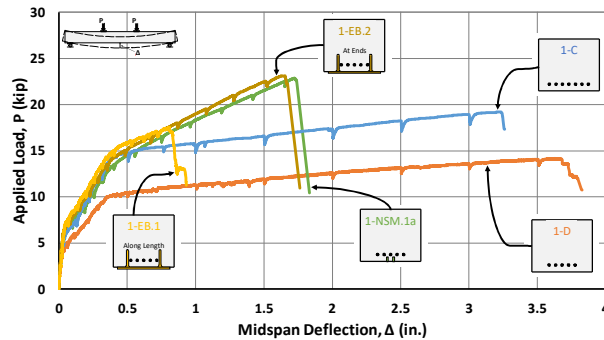
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### Key Results

- Strengths of Spec. 1-EB.2 & 1-NSM.1a exceed control
- Stiffness restored (before yielding of steel)
- Decreased ductility; increased post-yielding stiffness
- Experimental strengths exceed calculated strengths

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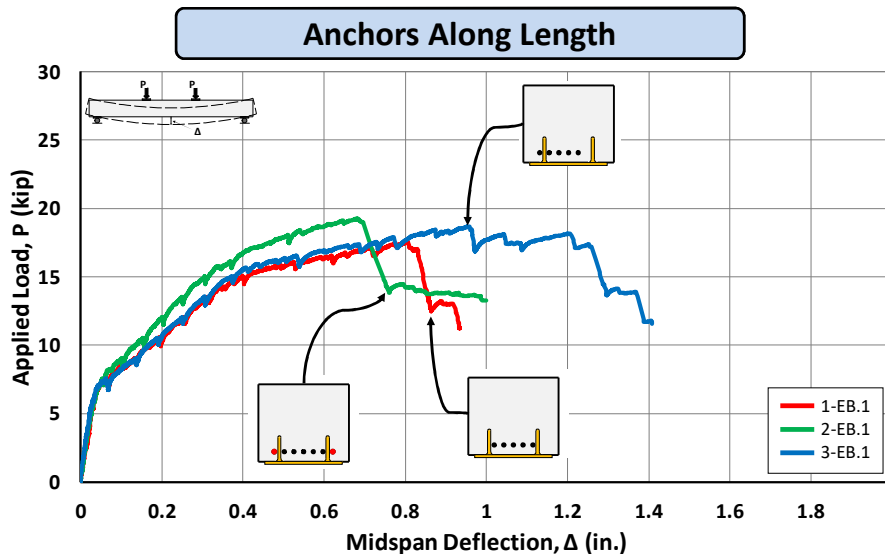
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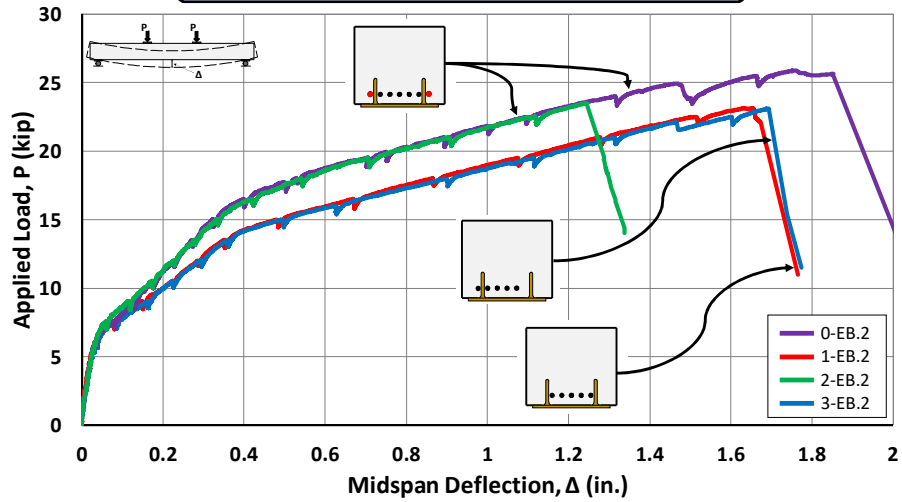
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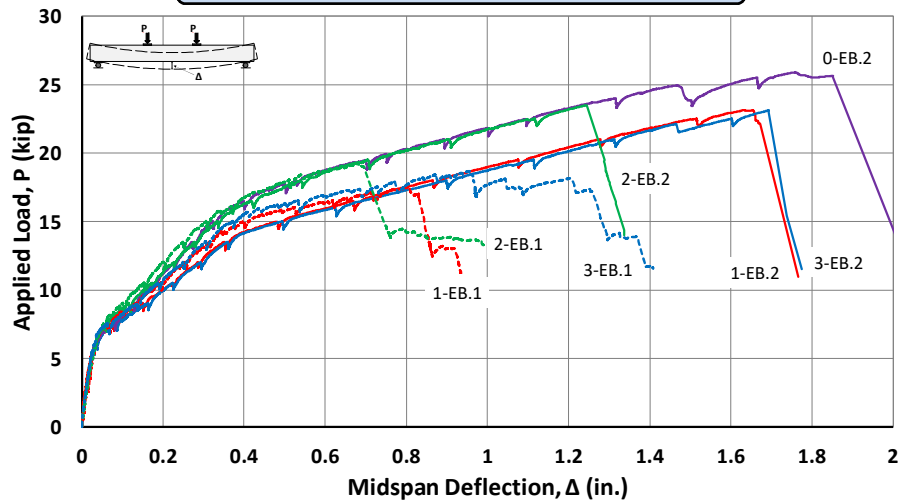
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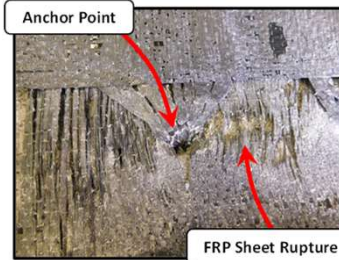
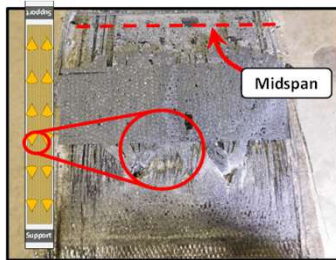
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### Premature Rupture Near Anchor



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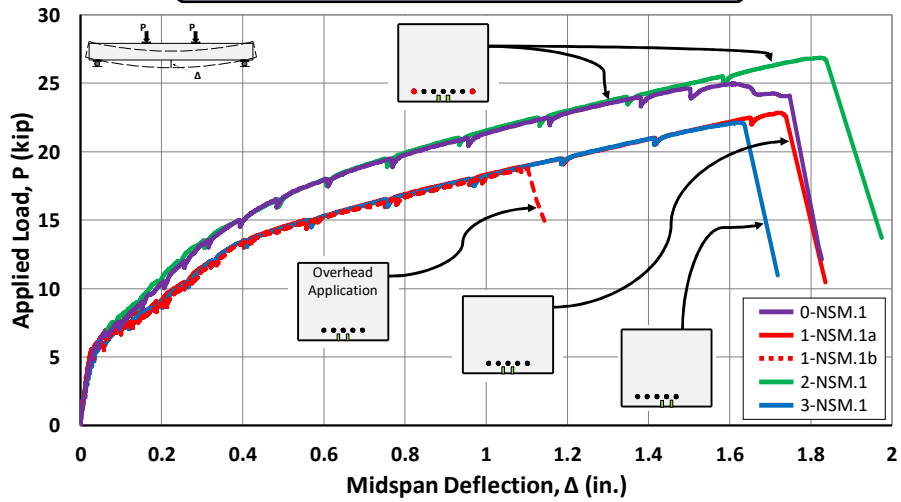
## TEST RESULTS – NEAR-SURFACE-MOUNTED (NSM) SPECIMENS

Group	Specimen ID	Simulated Field Condition			FRP Strengthening System							
		Control (C)	Artificially Deteriorated (D)			Externally Bonded Sheet (EB)			Near-Surface-Mounted Strips (NSM)			No FRP
		All 7 bars present	[I] 1 bar excluded on each side	[II] 1 bar cut at midspan on each side	[III] 2 bars excluded on one side	[1] FRP anchors along length	[2] FRP anchors at ends	[3] U-Wrap anchors at ends	[1] 2 strips centered on beam	[2] 2 strips under excluded bars	[3] 2 strips offset from excluded bars	
0	0-NSM.1											
1	1-NSM.1a											
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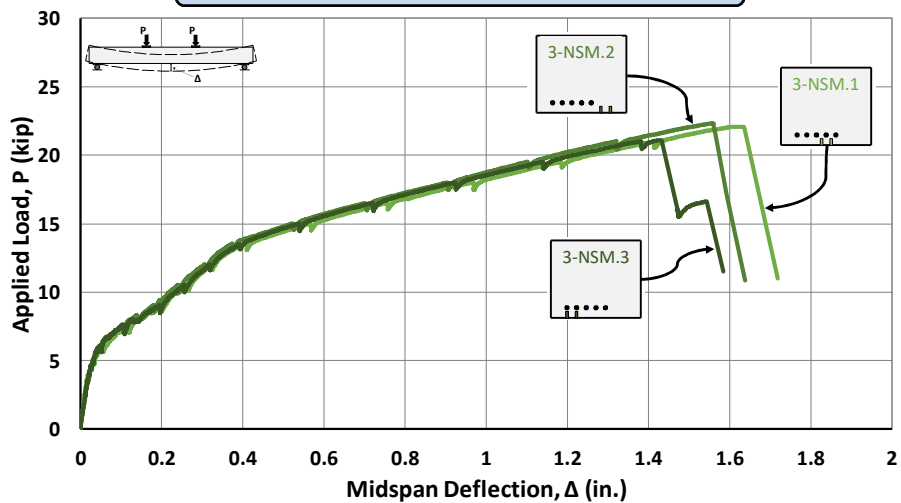
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### Centered NSM Strips



## TEST RESULTS – NEAR-SURFACE-MOUNTED (NSM) SPECIMENS

### Effect of Eccentricity



## TEST RESULTS – NEAR-SURFACE-MOUNTED (NSM) SPECIMENS

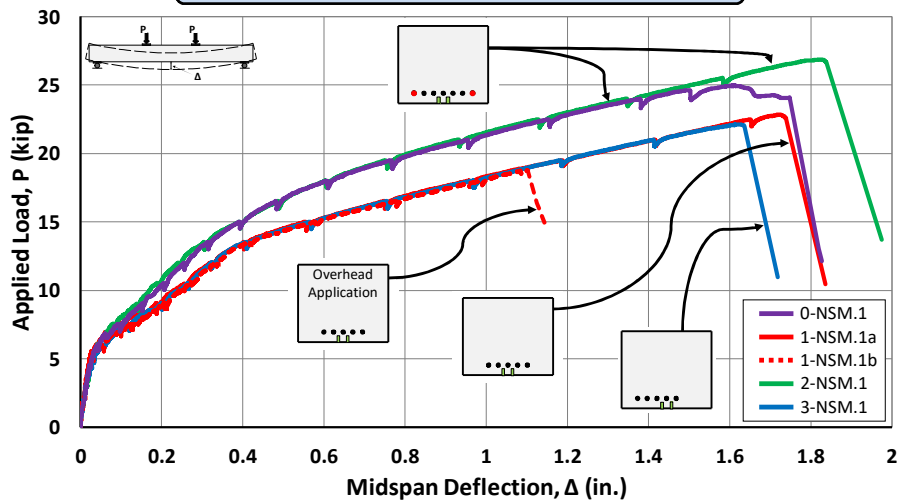
### Overhead Application



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## TEST RESULTS – NEAR-SURFACE-MOUNTED (NSM) SPECIMENS

### Overhead Application



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## EXPERIMENTAL PROGRAM CONCLUSIONS

**Externally Bonded and NSM systems are suitable for flexural strengthening. Reduced ductility and importance of bond should be noted.**

**FRP spike anchors should not be placed along the length of the FRP sheet; place at the ends of the FRP sheet and avoid regions of high moment demand.**

**Eccentricity of the longitudinal steel and relative placement of NSM strips did not play a significant role in the effectiveness of the system.**

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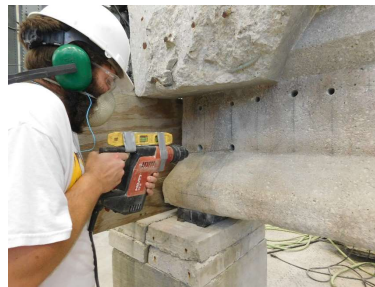
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*Introduction to Fiber Reinforced Polymer (FRP) Systems*



*Flexural Strengthening Experimental Program*

*End Region Repair Experimental Program*

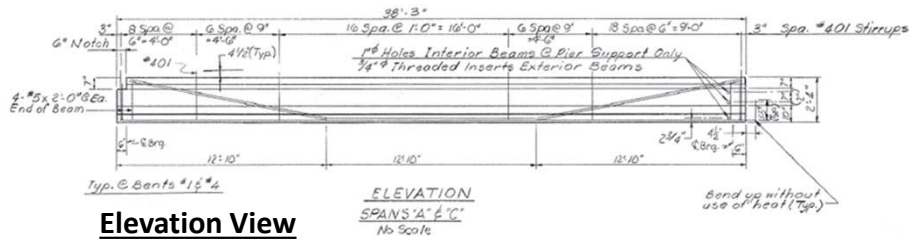


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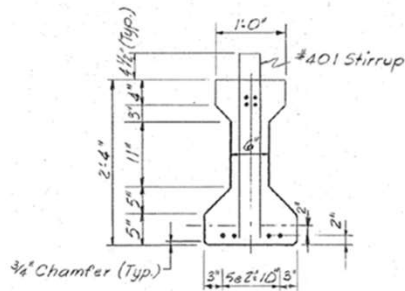
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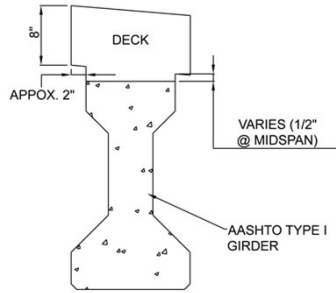
## SPECIMEN BACKGROUND



**Elevation View**



**Cross Section at Original Supports**



**Cross Section of Test Specimens**

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## GIRDER CONDITION (AS RECEIVED)

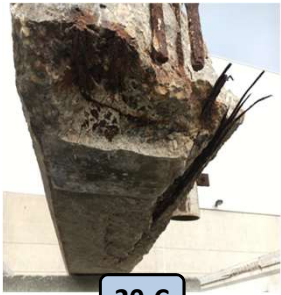
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## GIRDER CONDITION



3-C



20-C



19-A



17-C

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## REPAIR PROCEDURE

1. Remove Unsound Concrete



2. Sandblast



3. Condition After Sandblasting



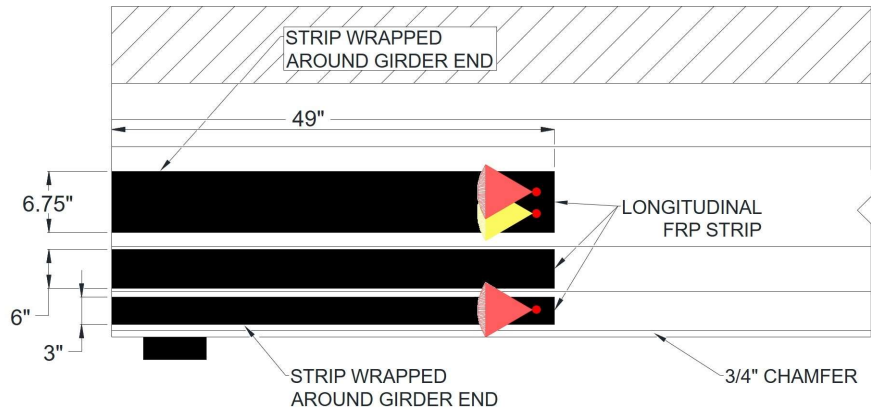
4. Restore Cross Section



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## EXTERNALLY BONDED (EB) FRP SHEETS

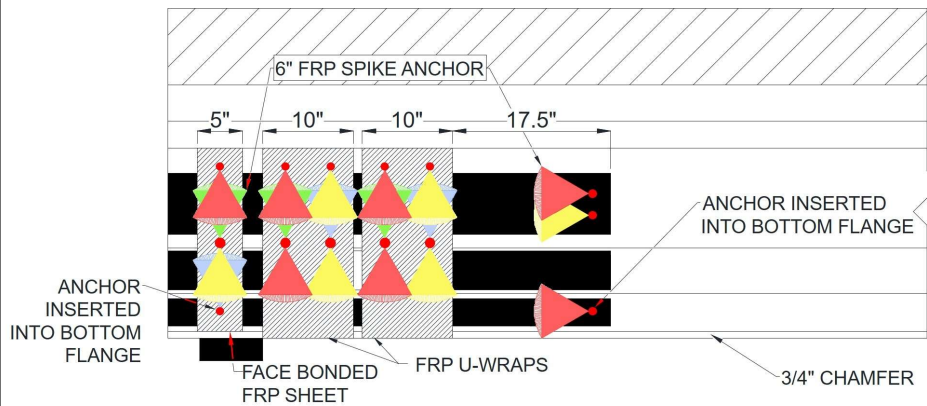
### Elevation View: Layer 1



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## EXTERNALLY BONDED (EB) FRP SHEETS

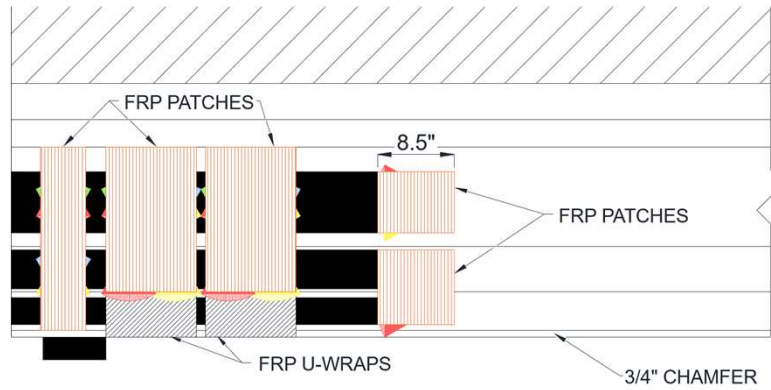
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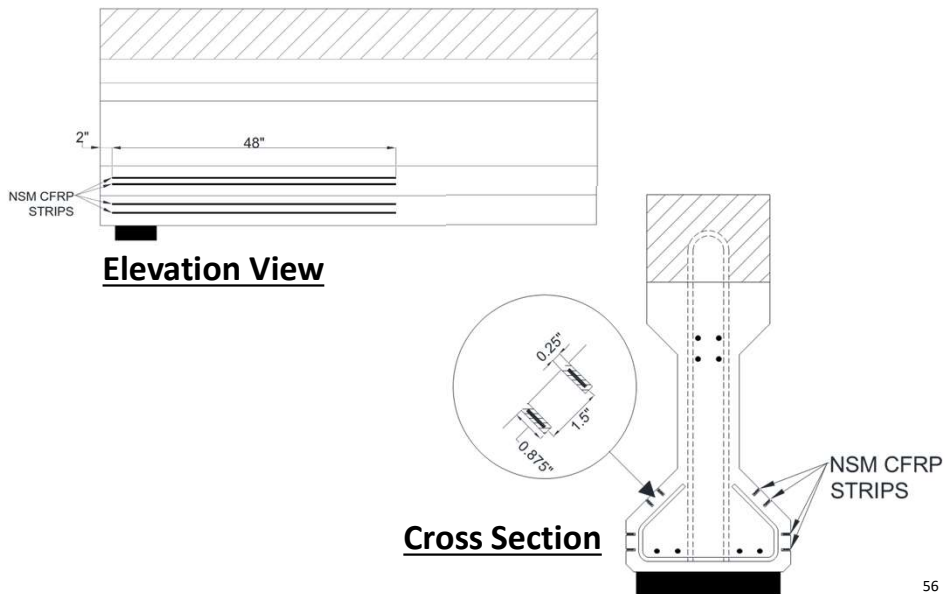
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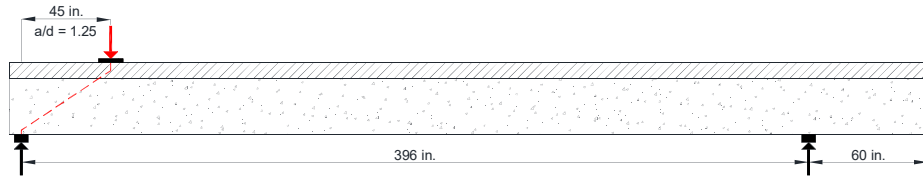
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## NEAR-SURFACE-MOUNTED (NSM) FRP STRIPS



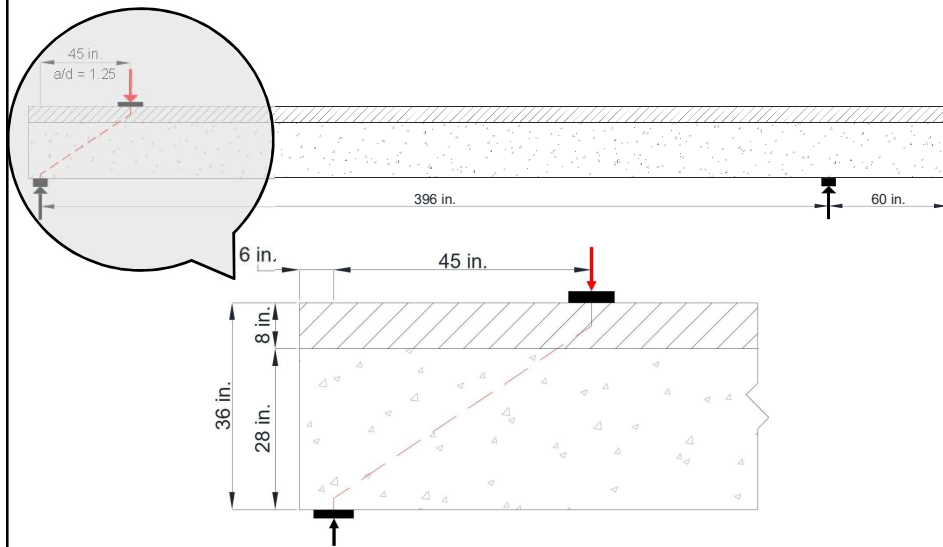
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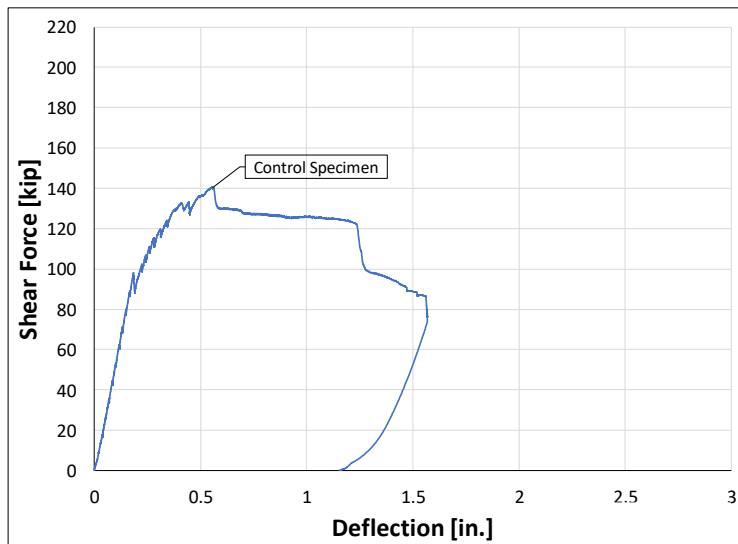
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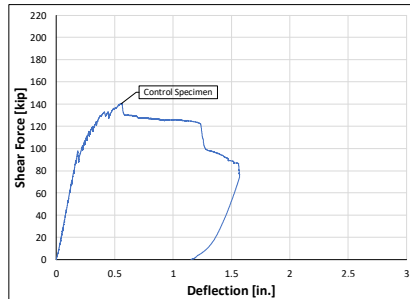
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## TEST RESULTS – CONTROL



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## TEST RESULTS – CONTROL



### Observations

- Peak Shear = 141 kips
- Failure controlled by the formation of a diagonal strut.
- No abrupt drop in load.
- Slip of prestressing strands in the bottom flange.

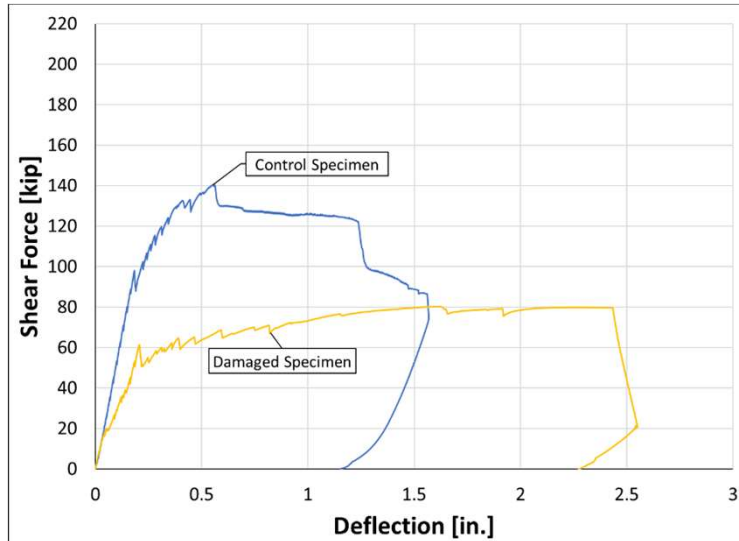
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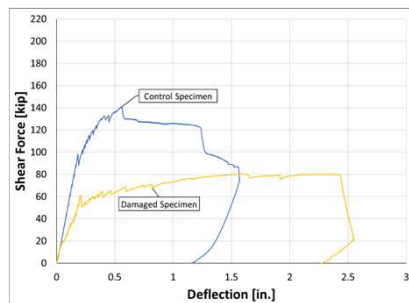
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## TEST RESULTS – TESTED IN DAMAGED STATE



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## TEST RESULTS – TESTED IN DAMAGED STATE



### Observations

- $V_{\text{test}}/V_{\text{control}} = 0.57$

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## TEST RESULTS – TESTED IN DAMAGED STATE



### Observations

- $V_{\text{test}}/V_{\text{control}} = 0.57$
- Different failure mechanism.
- The crack angle increased to nearly 90°.

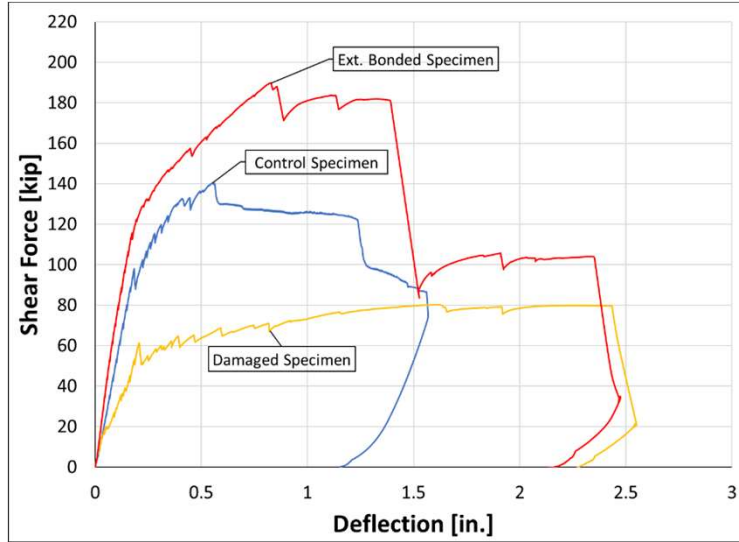
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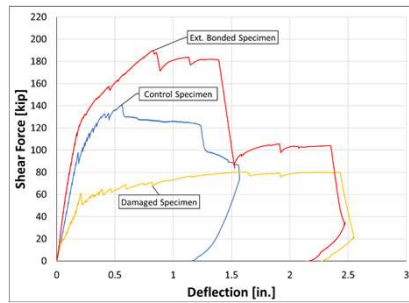
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## TEST RESULTS – EXTERNALLY BONDED



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## TEST RESULTS – EXTERNALLY BONDED

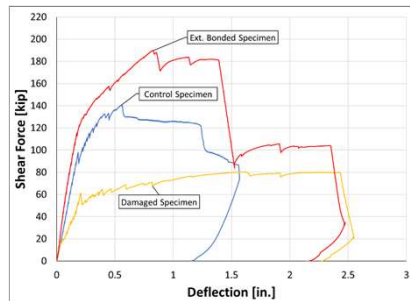


### Observations

- $V_{\text{test}}/V_{\text{control}} = 1.34$
- Increased stiffness.
- Flexural failure at the end of the repair → strand fracture.

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## TEST RESULTS – EXTERNALLY BONDED



### Observations

- $V_{\text{test}}/V_{\text{control}} = 1.34$
- Increased stiffness.
- Flexural failure at the end of the repair → strand fracture.
- Minimal delamination of the FRP was observed.

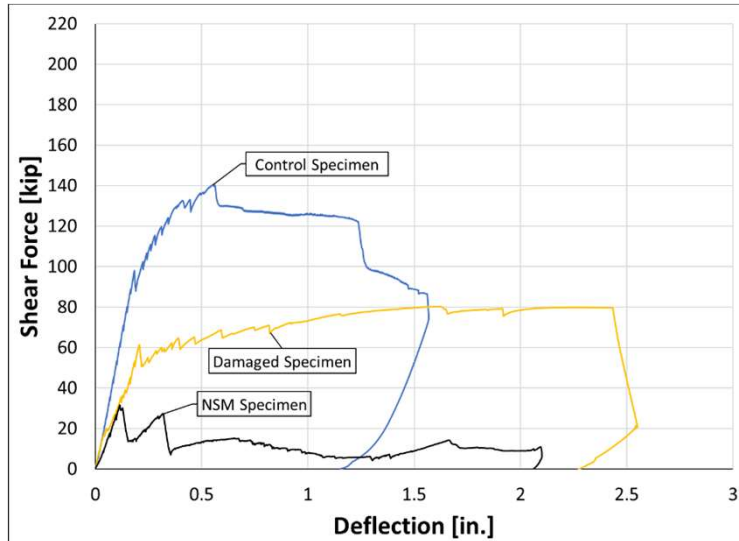
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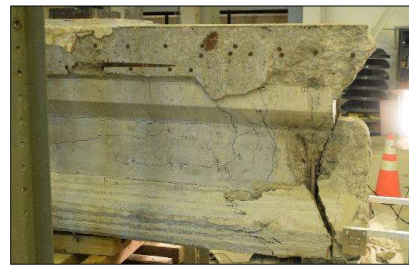
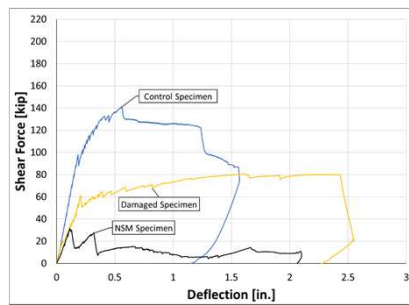
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## TEST RESULTS – NSM



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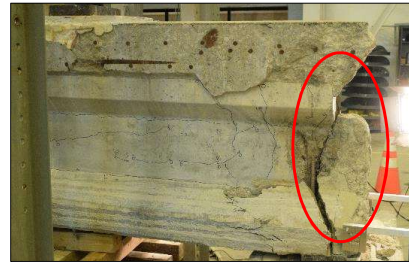
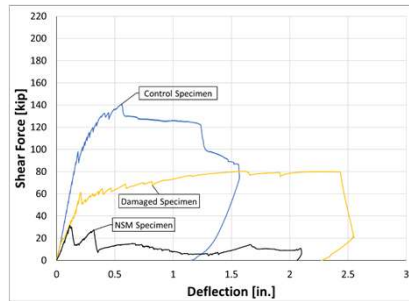


### Observations

- $V_{\text{test}}/V_{\text{control}} = 0.22$
- Similar initial stiffness to damaged specimen.

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## TEST RESULTS – NSM

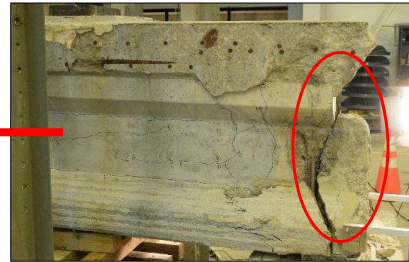


### Observations

- $V_{\text{test}}/V_{\text{control}} = 0.22$
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- Cracking/splitting at the notch above the bearing location.

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## TEST RESULTS – NSM



### Observations

- $V_{\text{test}}/V_{\text{control}} = 0.22$
- Similar initial stiffness to damaged specimen.
- Cracking/splitting at the notch above the bearing location.
- Bottom flange separated from the web.

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## EXPERIMENTAL PROGRAM CONCLUSIONS

**Restoring the tensile capacity lost due to deteriorated prestressing strands is critical.**

**Ensuring adequate confinement of the repair region is critical.**

**The externally bonded system is a viable repair option.**

**The NSM system did not perform adequately. A hybrid system using both NSM and externally bonded elements may be a viable repair solution.**

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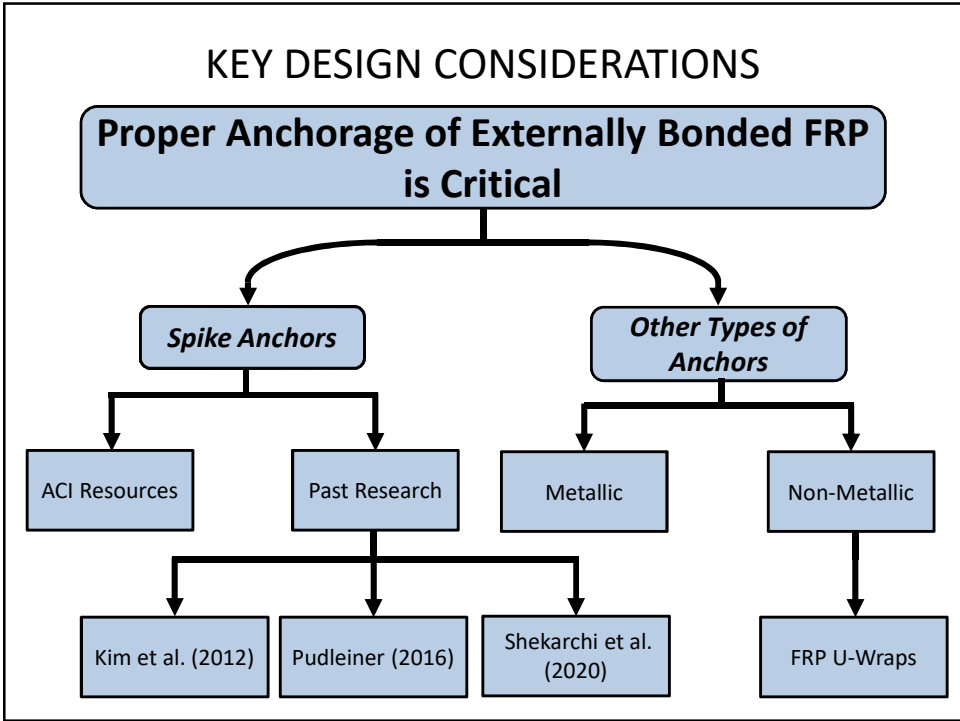
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**KEY DESIGN CONSIDERATIONS**

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**A Mock-Up is Recommended for Complicated Cases**

**Comprehensive Guides are Available:**

- AASHTO: *Guide Specifications for Design of Bonded FRP Systems for Repair and Strengthening of Concrete Bridge Elements*
- ACI: 440R-07 & 440.2R-17
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