



District 6 – Design Lessons Learned

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- · Strung Project Consistency
- TTCP Coordination During Design
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- Subsurface Utility Exploration
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Introduction

Goal: Share lessons we've learned to help guide your future designs and project coordination



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Lesson Learned # 1

Retaining Wall Earthwork Quantities

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FDM 216 - Earthwork

KEY TERMS:

- **EXISTING SURFACE**
 - FINISHED GRADED SURFACE

216.1 General

Earthwork is a generic term for all items of work, materials and operations required to construct the excavated areas and the embankments of a project.

FDOT's <u>Standard Specifications</u> Sections 110, 120, and 125 define the terms, method of measurement, basis of payment, and pay items associated with earthwork.

Earthwork on a highway project generally consists of:

- Clearing and Grubbing Removal of existing pavement to prepare the area for proposed construction. See Standard Specifications Section 110 for additional requirements.
- Embankment Compacted fill material needed to construct the roadway. See Standard Specifications Section 120 for additional requirements.
- Regular Excavation See Standard Specifications Section 120 for additional requirements.
- Subsoil Excavation See Standard Specifications Section 120 for additional Excavation for Structures and Pipe – See Standard Specifications Section 125 for additional requirements.

The roadbed is constructed by excavating soil from cut sections and placing soil as embankments in fill sections. A summary of the most common cut and fill sections is described in this chapter.

Insisted graded surface of the new road, or if concrete pavement removal is called for in the plans, the calculation is taken from the bottom of the existing concrete to the finished graded surface of the new road.

Calculate the Embankment quantities for a new roadway as shown in Figure 216.4.5.

Calculate the Embankment from the top of the existing base to the finished graded surface of the new road of Figure 216.4.5. Left or, if the base removal is called for in the plans calculate the Embankment from the bottom of the existing surface (finish graded surface) to the finished graded surface of the new road (Figure 216.4.5 Right). If Concrete pavement removal is called for in the plans, the calculation is taken from the bottom of the existing concrete to the finished graded surface. the existing concrete to the finished graded surface of the new road.

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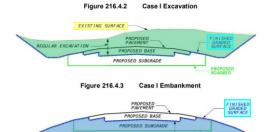
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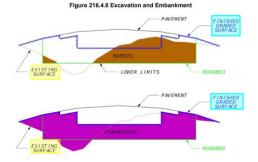
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EXISTING SURFACE



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EARTHWORK AND RELATED OPERATIONS

SECTION 120 EXCAVATION AND EMBANKMENT

120-1 Description.

120-1.1 General: Excavate and construct embankments as required for the roadway, ditches, channel changes and borrow material. Use suitable excavated material or authorized borrow material to prepare subgrades and foundations. Construct embankments in accordance with Standard Plans, Index 120-001. Compact and dress excavated areas and embankments.

Meet the requirements of Section 110 for excavation of material for clearing and grubbing and Section 125 for excavation and backfilling of structures and pipe. Material displaced by the storm sewer or drainage structure system is not included in the earthwork quantities shown in the Contract Documents.

The existing surface may be a combination of the following:

- 1. The original unpaved ground line;
- 2. The bottom of the existing pavement;
- 3. The bottom of existing features removed by clearing and grubbing;
- 4. The bottom of the existing base, if the base is to be removed.

The finished graded surface includes the completed grades of side slopes, unpaved shoulders, and the bottom of the base for flexible or rigid pavement.

120.12 Unidentified Areas of Contamination: When proguntaring or exposing

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- EXISTING SURFACE
 - FINISHED GRADED SURFACE

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Spec 120 - Excavation and Embankment

120-12 Method of Measurement.

120-12.1 General: When payment for excavation is on a volumetric basis, the quantity to be paid for will be the volume, in cubic yards. The material will be measured in its original position by field survey or by photogrammetric means as designated by the Engineer, unless otherwise sections of the production of the p

otherwise specified under the provisions for individual items.

Where subsoil exeavation extends outside the lines shown in the Plans or authorized by the Engineer including allowable tolerances, and the space is backfilled with material obtained in additional authorized roadway or borrow excavation, the net fill, plus shrinkage allowance, will be excluded from the quantity of roadway excavation or borrow excavation to be paid for, as applicable.

The quantity of all material washed, blown, or placed beyond the limits of the finished graded surface will be determined by the Engineer and will be excluded from the quantity of roadway excavation or borrow excavation to be paid for, as applicable.

Subsoil excavation that extends outside the lines shown in the Plans or authorized

by the Engineer including allowable tolerances will be excluded from the quantity to be paid for as subsoil excavation.

120-12.2 Roadway Excavation: The measurement will include only the net volume of material excavated between the original ground line or finished graded surface of an existing roadbed, as applicable, and the finished surface of new pavement, except that the measurement will also include all unavoidable slides which may occur in connection with excavation classified as roadway excavation.

The pay quantity will be the plan quantity provided that the excavation was accomplished usbattail compliance with the plan dimensions and subject to the provisions of 9-3.2 and 9-3.4. On designated 3-R Projects, regular exeavation will be paid for at the Contract lump sum price provided that the excavation was accomplished in substantial compliance with the plan discourse.

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KEY TERMS:

- ORIGINAL GROUND LINE OR FINISHED GRADED SURFACE (EXISTING SURFACE)
- FINISHED (GRADED) SURFACE

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Spec 120 - Excavation and Embankment

120-12.7 Embankment: The pay quantity will be at the plan quantity. Where payment for embankment is not to be included in the payment for the excavation and is to be paid for on a cubic yard basis for the item of embankment, the measurement will include material placed within the limits of the existing surface, to the finished graded surface as shown in the Plans, Standard Plans Index 120-001, or directed by the Engineer. Where embankment is constructed over an existing road, the embankment measurement will include only the material actually placed up to the finished graded surface. If there are authorized changes in plan dimensions or if errors in plan quantities are detected, plan quantity will be adjusted as provided in 9-3.2.

Any overrun or underrun of plan quantity for subsoil excavation which results in a corresponding increase or decrease in embankment will be considered as an authorized plan change for adjustment purposes as defined in 9-3.2.2.

No payment will be made for embankment material used to replace unsuitable material exeavated beyond the lines and grades shown in the Plans or ordered by the Engineer.

In no case will payment be made for material allowed to run out of the embankment on a flatter slope than indicated on the Plans. The Contractor shall make their own estimate on the volume of material actually required to obtain the pay section.

KEY TERMS:

- EXISTING ROAD (EXISTING SURFACE)
- FINISHED GRADED SURFACE

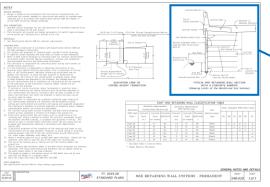
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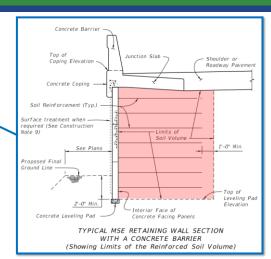
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Retaining Wall Quantities

Standard Index 548-020 Retaining Wall Systems





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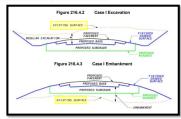
Spec 548 - Retaining Walls

548-12 Basis of Payment.

Price and payment will be full compensation for all work specified in this Section, including the design of the wall system, excavation required specifically for wall construction below the finished graded surface, backfill reinforcement, leveling pad, footings, copings, light pole pedestals, geotextile, horizontal joint materials, alignment pins, repairs, labor, equipment, and other materials necessary to complete the wall in an acceptable manner as shown in the Contract. The cost of backfill for the finished graded surface will be included in the cost of embankment or borrow excavation, as applicable.

Payment will be made under:

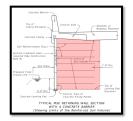
Item No. 548- 12-Retaining Wall System (Permanent) - per square foot. Item No. 548- 13-Retaining Wall System (Temporary) - per square foot.



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KEY TERMS:

- FINISHED GRADED SURFACE
- **EXISTING SURFACE (NO** REFERENCE)
 - Do we measure to existing surface or within the limits of soil volume?



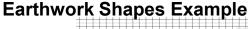
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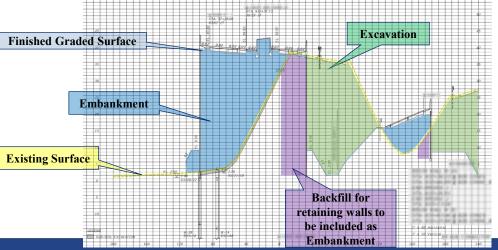
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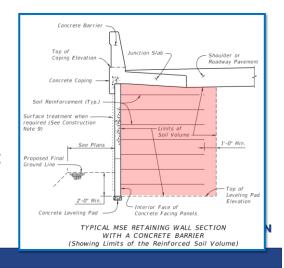
- EXISTING SURFACE
- FINISHED GRADED SURFA



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D6 Construction Entitlement Claim

- Active construction project where 7 of 8 EOR's did not include embankment quantity withing retaining wall limits of soil volume
- Entitlement claim estimated at \$9M
- D6 is aware of entitlement claims in:
 - TPK-\$3.3M
 - D4: \$380K



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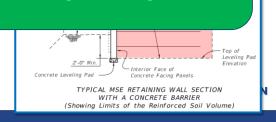
Retaining Wall Quantities

D6 Construction Entitlement Claim

Active construction project where 7
 of 8 EOP's did not include

LESSON LEARNED: CALCULATE EARTHWORK QUANTITY FOR BACKFILL ASSOCIATED WITH RETAINING WALLS

- TPK- \$3.3M
- D4: \$380K

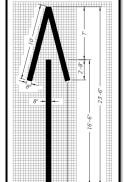


Wrong Way Driving (WWD) Arrow RPM's

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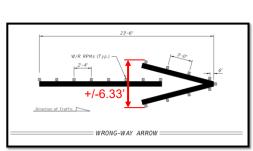
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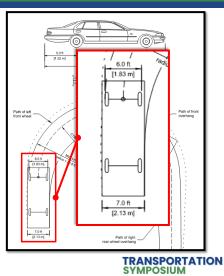
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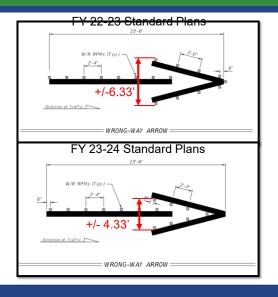
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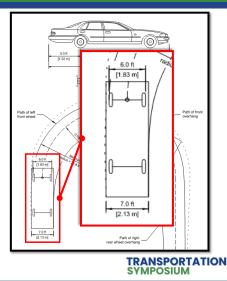
FY 22-23 Standard Plans





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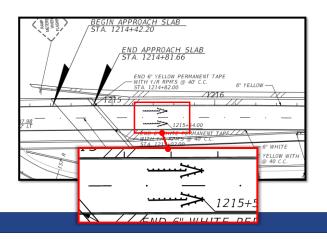
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Wrong Way Driving (WWD) Arrow RPM's

• Cell on contract plans is not updated

• Instances of incorrect installation



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Standard Plans for Bridge Construction are included in the Structures Plans

Component

FY 23-24 Standard Plans for Bridge Construction are included in the Structures Plans

Component

FY 23-24 Standard Plans

WADIG-WAY ARROW

5-2 Coordination of Contract Documents.

These Specifications the Plans, Special Provisions, and all supplementary documents are integral parts of the Contract, a requirement occurring in one is as binding as though occurring in all. All parts of the Contract are complementary and describe and provide for a complete work. In addition to the work and materials specified in the Specifications as being included in any specific pay item, include in such pay items additional, incidental work, not specifically mentioned, when so shown in the Plans, or if indicated, or obvious and apparent, as being necessary for the proper completion of the work under such pay item and not stipulated as being covered under other pay items.

In case of the Contract provisions.

1. Special Provisions.

2. Technical Special Provisions.

3. Plans.

4. Standard Plans.

5. Developmental Specifications.

6. Supplemental Specifications.

7. Standard Specifications.

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Computed dimensions govern over scaled dimensions.

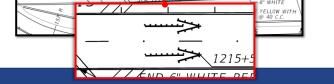
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LESSON LEARNED:

- ENSURE CEI AND CONTRACTORS ARE AWARE OF CHANGE IN RPM STANDARDS.
 - ENSURE PLANS SHOW APPROPRIATE CELL MATCHING LATEST STANDARD



1. Special Provisions.
2. Technical Special Provisions.
3. Plans.
4. Standard Plans.
5. Developmental Specifications.
6. Supplemental Specifications.
7. Standard Specifications.
Computed dimensions govern over scaled dimensions TRANSPORTATIO

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Lesson Learned #3

- Strung Project Consistency
- FDM 910.2.10:
 - Contract Plans Sets that are independently prepared but are let in the same construction contract are referred to as strung projects.

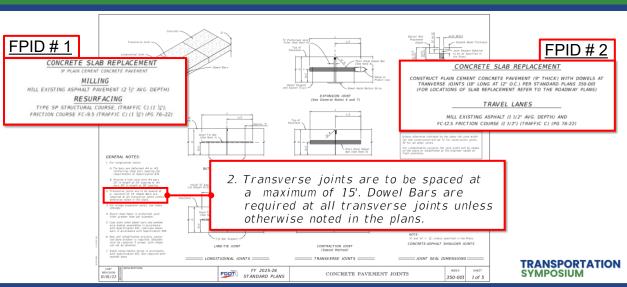
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Strung Project Consistency

FPID#1 FPID#2 CONCRETE CON **LMS3AZ ** STA. 100+16.57 TO STA. 103+59.03 STA. 103+59.03 TO STA. 104+62.69 STA 17+08:00 TO STA 18+50:00 STA 18+50:00 TO STA 29+92:00 CONCRETE SLAB REPLACEMEN MILLING TRAVEL LANES CONCRETE SLAB REPLACEMENT CONSTRUCT PLAIN CEMENT CONCRETE PAVEMENT (9° THICK) WITH DOWELS AT TRAWERSE JOINTS (18° LONG AT 12' O.C.) PER STANDARD PLANS 350-001 (FOR LOCATIONS OF SLAB REPLACEMENT REFER TO THE ROADWAY PLANS) MILLING MILL EXISTING ASPHALT PAVEMENT (2 1/2" AVG. DEPTH) RESURFACING TRAVEL LANES TYPE SP STRUCTURAL COURSE, (TRAFFIC C) (1 ½), PRICTION COURSE FC-9.5 (TRAFFIC C) (1 ½) (PG 76-22) TRANSPORTATION SYMPOSIUM MILL EXISTING ASPHALT (1 1/2" AVG. DEPTH) AND FC-12.5 FRICTION COURSE (1 1/2") (TRAFFIC C) (PG 76-22)

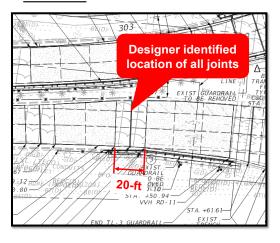
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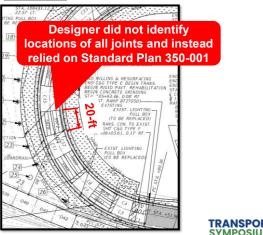


Strung Project Consistency

FPID#1



FPID#2



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Strung Project Consistency

LESSON LEARNED:
DIFFERING APPROACHES TO APPLICATION OF
STANDARDS OR CRITERIA CAN LEAD TO
CHALLENGES AND CLAIMS DURING
CONSTRUCTION

STANDARDS OF CRITERIA CAN LEAD TO
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• TTCP Coordination During Design

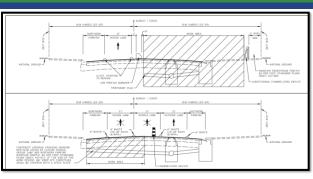
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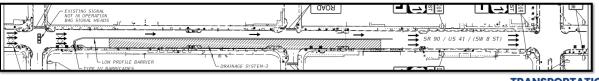
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TTCP Coordination During Design





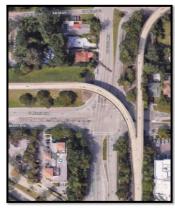


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TTCP Coordination During Design





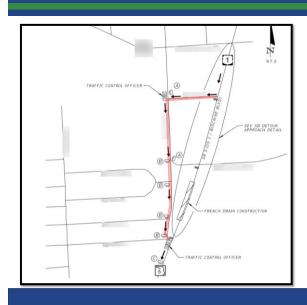


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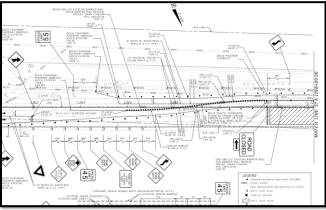


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TTCP Coordination During Design





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TTCP Coordination During Design

Important Items to Consider:

- Impacts to traveling public
- Alternative temporary traffic control options
- · Determine when traffic analysis is needed
- Ensure Construction Residency is involved in review of TTCP
- Determine if additional traffic data needs to be collected for lane closures
- Diversions may need to be analyzed due to added friction in system creating queues

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TTCP Coordination During Design

- TTCP Review Meeting between Phase 2 (60%) and Phase 3 (90%) if project proposes:
 - · Lane closure
 - Diversion
 - · Detour
- · Meeting scheduled by FDOT PM.
- · Invite:
 - FDOT PM
 - · Consultant PM or Internal Design PM
 - TTCP EOR
 - · Assistant District Construction Engineer
 - · Resident Engineer
 - · Plans Review/CCEI Engineer
 - · District Roadway Design Engineer
 - · District Traffic Services Engineer



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TTCP Coordination During Design

 TTCP Review Meeting between Phase 2 (60%) and Phase 3 (90%) if project proposes:

LESSON LEARNED:

- PROVIDE FOR AN EFFICIENT TTCP DESIGN
- CONSIDER THE NEED FOR TRAFFIC ANALYSIS
 - COORDINATE DURING DESIGN
- · District Traffic Services Engineer

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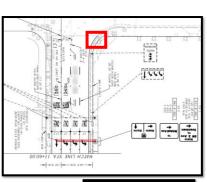
Reviewing the Existing Drainage System when installing foundations

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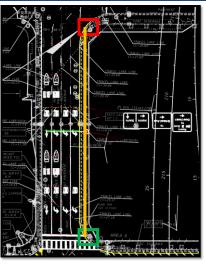
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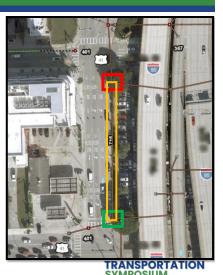
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Existing Drainage System



DRAINAGE MANHOLE #7
RIM ELEV.= 7.99'
8" INV. (W)= 2.34'
10" INV. (E)= 2.31'
NO ACCESS SEE
MATERIAL PIPE
FULL OF WATER
BOTTOM ELEV.= 2.36'

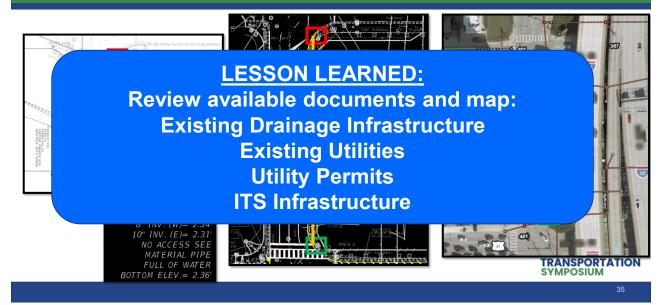




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Existing Drainage System



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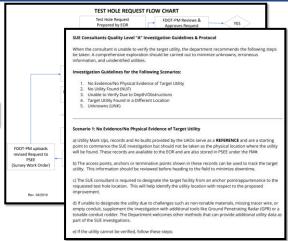
Subsurface Utility Exploration

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- Recent issues with accuracy of Test Hole Exploration
- Concerns with sufficiency of exploration conducted prior to indicating "No Utility Found"



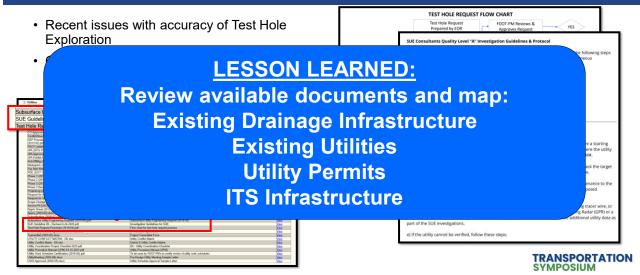


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Subsurface Utility Exploration



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Modifying Existing Signalization Infrastructure

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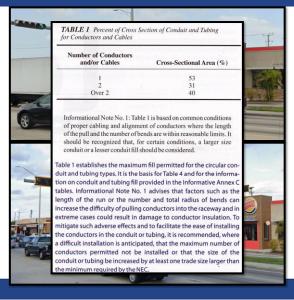
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Modifying Existing Signalization Infrastructure



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Modifying Existing Signalization Infrastructure

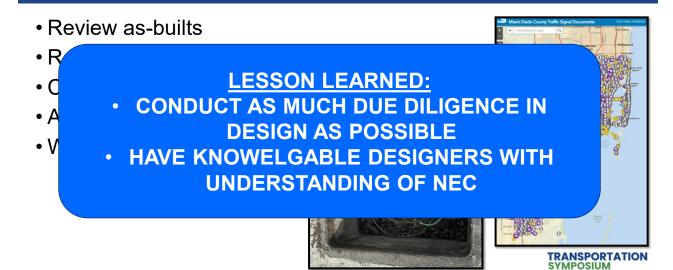
- Review as-builts
- Review FDOT GIS Database
- Conduct field review
- Avoid scope creep
- When in doubt, coordinate





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Modifying Existing Signalization Infrastructure



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Lesson Learned #8

Steel Plates during TTCP

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Steel Plates during TTCP

- Is posed speed is <45mph, develop MSP requiring design of steel plates by specialty engineer
 - Coordinate with Construction and Structures Maintenance





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Steel Plates during TTCP

 Is posed speed is <45mph, develop MSP requiring design of steel plates by specialty

LESSON LEARNED:

• SPECIALTY ENGINEER TO DESIGN STEEL PLATES ON HIGH SPEED FACILITIES

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License Agreements

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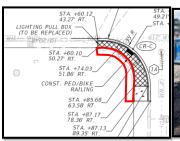
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License Agreements

- Execution of a License Agreement during Construction is time consuming and potentially leads to project delays
- Contractor cannot perform work in private property until a License Agreement is executed
- Sidewalk cross slope corrections resulted in elevation differences at the back of the new sidewalk









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Lesson Learned #9

Modifying or adding signals and signs on existing mast-arms

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Modifying or adding signals and signs on existing mast-arms

Be aware that added surface area due to new signs, signals and other features can cause oscillation on the mast arm.







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LESSON LEARNED:

CONSIDER THE POTENTIAL FOR OSICLATION WHEN MODIFYING EXISTING MAST ARMS







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Inlets along curb returns

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Inlets along curb returns

- Over tracking leads to cracked inlets
- Relocate outside of returns
- Consider strengthened inlets top if required along curb return



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Inlets along curb returns

Over tracking leads to cracked inlets

LESSON LEARNED:

• AVOID INLETS ON CURB RETURNS

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Safety Message



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