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The web reinforcing details, at the ends of Florida U-Beams (FUB), are being revised. A new English unit standard is being developed, so contact Bob Nichols in this office for the appropriate details. **Do not use the existing Metric standard.**

Commentary: Diagonal cracks were found in the webs in the end region of a 72" FUB shortly after placement of the superstructure. Subsequent analysis indicated that additional vertical and horizontal reinforcing is required.

WNN/dh