STRUCTURES DESIGN BULLETIN C11-08

DATE: July 12, 2011

TO: District Directors of Operations, District Directors of Production, District Design Engineers, District Construction Engineers, District Geotechnical Engineers, District Structures Design Engineers

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This bulletin implements new requirements for Bridge Fender Systems.

REQUIREMENTS

1. Design Standards

Design Standards Indexes 21900, 21910, 21920 and 21930 have been removed and replaced in the July 2011 Interims with the drawings as shown in Attachment A as listed below.

Attachment A:
Index 21900 (7 sheets): Fender System – Polymeric Piles
Index 21930 (7 sheets): Fender System – Prestressed Concrete Piles

2. Instructions for Design Standards (IDS)

IDS “Index 21900 Series Fender Systems” has been replaced as part of the July 2011 Interims with the two new IDS as shown in Attachment B as listed below.

Attachment B:
IDS, Index 21900 Fender Systems – Polymeric Piles
IDS, Index 21930 Fender Systems – Prestressed Concrete Piles

Remove SDG, Section 3.14 and replace it with the new SDG, Section 3.14 as provided in Attachment C.

4. Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction

Standard Specifications Sections 973 and 471 will be replaced in the January 2012 Workbook with the new sections as provided in Attachment D as listed below.

Attachment D:
Standard Specifications Section 973 – Structural Plastics
Standard Specifications Section 471 – Polymeric Fender Systems


Section 455-37 of the BOE will be removed and replaced with a new Section 471-2 on January 1, 2012 as provided in Attachment E.

BACKGROUND

Due to the introduction of new piling products which allows for increased competition, the Department has readdressed bridge fender system designs to include polymeric piling products which will be listed on the Qualified Products List (QPL). In general, polymeric materials are being developed for many different structural applications; however, there are currently no national standards in place for the manufacturing processes and materials associated with polymeric piling. Modifications to the Standard Specifications, Structures Design Guidelines and Design Standards are necessary in order to accommodate the use of polymeric piling products on FDOT bridge fender systems.

COMMENTARY

Changes to the Standard Specifications include the removal of the existing material specification for bridge fender system piling in Specification Section 973 and the addition of piling performance requirements to Specification Section 471.

The Structures Design Guidelines (SDG), Section 3.14 has been rewritten to give thorough guidance to both the Engineer of Record and the Supplier’s Engineer.

Fender systems are no longer classified as “Light Duty”, “Medium Duty” or “Heavy Duty”; therefore, Design Standards Indexes 21910 and 21920 are deleted. Designs will use the basic geometry of the fender system, standard connection details if possible, and limitations for pile spacing and pile clusters that are shown in revised Design Standards Index 21900. Each polymeric piling supplier will develop pile configurations and connection details for fender systems that result in flexible, energy absorbing structures maximizing the efficiency of their proprietary polymeric pile. These pile configurations will be listed on the QPL.
For the time being, Design Standards Index 21930 which utilizes Prestressed Concrete Piles will continue to be available for limited use as before.

**IMPLEMENTATION**

This policy is effective for all projects let after January 1, 2012 containing bridge fender systems. Projects let prior to January 1, 2012 with current specifications and existing construction projects may incorporate the new requirements under the Cost Savings Initiative Proposal provisions of Supplemental Specifications Section 4-3.9.

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Attachments
Attachment A:

Design Standards Index 21900: Fender System – Polymeric Piles

Design Standards Index 21930: Fender System – Prestressed Concrete Piles
POLYMERIC PILES - Provide polymeric piles in accordance with Specification Section 471. Installation shall be in accordance with manufacturer's recommendations. All piles shall be plumb.

PLASTIC LUMBER AND STRUCTURAL COMPOSITE LUMBER WALES - Provide only Plastic lumber and Structural Composite Lumber Wailes in accordance with Specification Section 913. Wailes shall be continuous and spliced only at locations shown on the plans.

PLASTIC LUMBER DECKING FOR CATWALKS - Provide Plastic Lumber decking for catwalks when called for in the Plans in accordance with Specification Section 973.

FIBERGLASS OPEN GRATING FOR CATWALKS - Provide fiberglass Open Grating for catwalks when called for in the Plans. Fiberglass Open Grating shall be a heavy duty design suitable for exterior installations. Maximum gap opening on the walkway surface shall be 1½". Design live loads and deflections shall be a 50 psf uniformly distributed load with a maximum deflection of 3/8" or 1/120 at the center of a simple span and a concentrated load of 250 pounds with a maximum deflection of 1/4" at the center of a simple span. Color of Fiberglass Open Grating shall be gray or black.

Install Fiberglass Open Grating according to manufacturer's recommendations using stainless steel hardware, screws, bolts, nuts and washers. Attach Fiberglass Open Grating to Wailes and Deck Supports at a 2'-0" maximum spacing so as to resist pedestrian live loads and uplift forces from wind, buoyancy and wave action.

CLEARANCE GAUGE AND LIGHT - Clearance Gauge to be furnished by the FDOT and erected by the Contractor. Clearance Gauge width and numeral height is dependent on visibility distance. The required visibility distance shall be determined by the United States Coast Guard District Commander. Provide and install Clearance Gauge Light in accordance with Specification Section 510 and Index No. 21220.

NAVIGATION LIGHTS - Provide and install Navigation Lights in accordance with Specification Section 510, Index No. 21220 and/or project specific details. Provide and maintain Temporary Navigation Lights during construction until permanent Navigation Lights are operational.

BOLTS, THREADED BARS, NUTS, SCREWS AND WASHERS - Furnish stainless steel Bolts in accordance with ASTM F593 Type 316. Furnish stainless steel Threaded Bars in accordance with ASTM F593 Grade B8M. Furnish stainless steel Nuts in accordance with ASTM F594 Type 316. Furnish stainless steel Screws in accordance with ASTM F594 Type 305. Furnish stainless steel Washers compatible with Bolts, Threaded Nuts and Threaded Bars heads and nuts. Torque Nuts on 1" diameter Bolts and Threaded Bars to 150 lb-ft. Keep Bolts free from dirt, coarse grime and sand to prevent galling and seizing during tightening.

SPICE PLATES - Furnish Splice Plates in accordance with ASTM A240 Type 316.
For Navigation Light Details see Design Standards Index 21220.

of Variables in Structures Plans.

Dimension "L" and Clear Channel Width see Fender System Table

For Stations and Offsets of referenced Control Points A, B, C and D,

CROSS REFERENCES:

Skew Angle.

Layout Sheets for magnitude and orientation of Channel

* See Structures Plans, Plan and Elevation and Foundation
Layout Sheets for magnitude and orientation of Channel Skew Angle.

SCHEMATIC OF FENDER SYSTEM SHOWING TREATMENT OF
SINGLE FIXED BRIDGE WITH NONSKEWED CHANNEL

SCHEMATIC OF FENDER SYSTEM SHOWING TREATMENT OF DUAL FIXED BRIDGES WITH NONSKEWED CHANNEL
(PARALLEL DUAL FIXED BRIDGES SHOWN, NONPARALLEL DUAL FIXED BRIDGES SIMILAR)

SCHEMATIC OF FENDER SYSTEM SHOWING TREATMENT OF SINGLE FIXED BRIDGE WITH SKEWED CHANNEL

SCHEMATIC OF FENDER SYSTEM SHOWING TREATMENT OF DUAL FIXED BRIDGES WITH SKEWED CHANNEL
(PARALLEL DUAL FIXED BRIDGES SHOWN, NONPARALLEL DUAL FIXED BRIDGES SIMILAR)

CROSS REFERENCES:

For Stations and Offsets of referenced Control Points A, B, C and D.
Dimension "L" and Clear Channel Width see Fender System Table of Variables in Structures Plans.
For Navigation Light Details see Design Standards Index 21220.

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** Provide Fiberglass Open Grating in lieu of 2" X 12" Plastic Lumber when called for in the Plans. Mounting hardware shall be Stainless Steel, install per Manufacturer's recommendations. See Structures Plans for Notes and Details.
GENERAL NOTES:

U.S. COAST GUARD NOTIFICATION: Notify the local office of the U.S. Coast Guard at least 30 days prior to beginning of construction of the Fender System.

14" SQUARE PRESTRESSED CONCRETE PILES: Provide 14" Square Prestressed Concrete Piles of sufficient length to achieve a minimum embedment of 20' into soil having a blow count greater than or equal to 6 (N > 6). Pile splices and build-ups are not permitted. Use only 14" Square Prestressed Concrete Piles with 8 - ½" diameter Low Relaxation Strands fabricated in accordance with Index No. 20614.

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PLASTIC LUMBER DECKING FOR CATWALKS: Provide Plastic Lumber decking for catwalks when called for in the Plans in accordance with Specification Section 973.

Install Plastic Lumber Decking according to manufacturer's recommendations using stainless steel #10 x 3" (minimum) deck screws.

FIBERGLASS OPEN GRATING FOR CATWALKS: Provide Fiberglass Open Grating for catwalks when called for in the Plans. Fiberglass Open Grating shall be a heavy duty design suitable for exterior installations. Maximum gap opening on the walkway surface shall be ⅛". Design live loads and deflections shall be a 50 psf uniformly distributed load with a maximum deflection of 1/32 or 1/120 at the center of a simple span and a concentrated load of 250 pounds with a maximum deflection of 1/4 at the center of a simple span. Color of Fiberglass Open Grating shall be gray or black.

Install Fiberglass Open Grating according to manufacturer's recommendations using stainless steel hardware, screws, bolts, nuts and washers. Attach Fiberglass Open Grating to Wales and Deck Supports at a 2'-0" maximum spacing so as to resist pedestrian live loads and uplift forces from wind, buoyancy and wave action.

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BOLTS, THREAD BARs, Nuts, Screws and Washers: Furnish stainless steel Bolts in accordance with ASTM F593 Type 316. Furnish stainless steel Threaded Bars in accordance with ASTM A193 Grade B8M. Furnish stainless steel Nuts in accordance with ASTM F594 Type 316. Furnish stainless steel Screws in accordance with ASTM F594 Type 316. Furnish stainless steel Washers compatible with Bolts, Threaded Rods and Nuts under ASTM F593 Type 316. Furnish stainless steel Washers compatible with Bolts, Threaded Rods and Nuts under ASTM F593 Type 305. Furnish stainless steel Washers compatible with Bolts, Threaded Rods and Nuts under ASTM F593 Type 305. Torque Nuts on 1" diameter Bolts and Threaded Bars to 150 lb-ft. Keep threads on Bolts, Threads Bars and Nuts free from dirt, coarse grime and sand to prevent galling and seizing during tightening.

SPLICE PLATES: Furnish Splice Plates in accordance with ASTM A240 Type 316.

WIRE ROPE: Provide wire rope meeting one of the following requirements:

1. ½" diameter 6x19, 6x25 or 6x37 class IWRC Type 316 stainless steel wire rope with a minimum breaking strength of 18,000 lbs.

2. ⅜" diameter 6x19 galvanized wire rope with ultraviolet ray resistant polypropylene impregnation having an outside diameter of 0.25" with a minimum breaking strength of 22,000 lbs. Protect all ends with heat shrinkable end caps compatible with the rope's polypropylene that provide an effective water-tight seal.

FENDER SYSTEM ENERGY CAPACITY:

Energy Capacity = 38 ft-k
PARTIAL VIEW F-F (SHOWING FENDER END; DECKING AND HANDRAIL NOT SHOWN FOR CLARITY)

SECTION E-E TYPICAL FLARED SECTION
(8° TURN SHOWN, 4° TURN SIMILAR)

SECTION E-E TYPICAL STRAIGHT SECTION

CROSS REFERENCES:
For Navigation Lights and SCH 80 PVC Electrical Conduit Details see Design Standard Index 21220.
For View G-G and Clearance Gauge Details see Sheet 4.
For Detail "B" and location of Section E-E see Sheet 2.
For location of View F-F see Sheet 1.

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Attachment B:

IDS, Index 21900 Fender Systems – Polymeric Piles

IDS, Index 21930 Fender Systems – Prestressed Concrete Piles
Index 21900 Fender System - Polymeric Piles (Rev. 07/11)

Design Criteria

*Structures Design Guidelines (SDG)* 3.14

Design Assumptions and Limitations

*Design Standards* Index 21900 includes standard geometry and details for Polymeric Fender Systems.

Refer to *SDG* 3.14 for Fender System design criteria, assumptions and limitations.

Use this standard with Index 21220.

Plan Content Requirements

In the Structures Plans:

Prepare and include in the plans supplemental project specific designs and details for the following items:

- Electrical service for navigation lights including conduit path from bridge to fender system and identification of service point. Coordinate design with Index 21220 and *Specification* Section 510.
- Access ladders and catwalks from bridge to fender system are optional and may be included at the discretion of the District.

Designate in the plans the type of decking material to be used for catwalks: 2" x 12" Plastic Lumber or Fiberglass Open Grating. Catwalk decking material shall be determined by the District.

Complete the following "Data Tables" and include them in the plans. One "Estimated Bill of Materials Table", one "Fender System Table of Variables" and one "Estimated Quantities Block" are required for each Fender System location within a project. For projects with multiple fender systems or configurations, clearly note which Fender System the Tables and Blocks are applicable to. Place the value for "Required Energy" of each Fender System in the note provided. The Contractor will use this "Required Energy" value to select the appropriate fender system from the QPL. See *Introduction I.3* for more information regarding use of Data Tables.
Table for use with Index 21900 Fender System - Polymeric Piles:

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Note: For Member Marks, Sizes and Dimensions see Design Standards Index No. 21900, Sheet 7.

Bill of Materials Table above is for an entire fender system (left and right fenders).

* Provide 2'-6" wide Fiberglass Open Grating for full length of fender in lieu of 2' x 12" Plastic Lumber when called for in Plans. Provide Stainless Steel Mounting Hardware and install per Manufacturer's recommendations. See Index 21900 for Notes. Include the cost of fiberglass open grating and miscellaneous items required to install the grating in the price for Plastic Marine Lumber (Non-Reinforced).

Note: Work this Table with Design Standards Index 21900.

See the Qualified Products List for approved fender system pile configurations. Select a pile configuration having an Energy Capacity greater than the following Required Energy:

Fender System Required Energy = ______ ft-k
Payment

Include quantity for Composite Marine Lumber 10" X 10" Wales Mark A under Pay Item for Plastic Marine Lumber (Reinforced). Include quantity for all other Plastic Lumber under Pay Item for Plastic Marine Lumber (Non-Reinforced).

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Index 21930 Fender Systems - Prestressed Concrete Piles
(Rev. 07/11)

Design Criteria

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Design Assumptions and Limitations

Do not use this fender system unless approved by the District for use on the specific project.

Design Standards Index 21930 includes a fully designed Fender System with 14" square prestressed concrete piling having an "Energy Capacity" of 38 ft-kip. Refer to SDG 3.14 for additional Fender System design criteria, assumptions and limitations.

Use this standard with Index 21220.

Plan Content Requirements

In the Structures Plans:

Include both Indexes 21900 and 21930 as alternates. The Contractor will select which fender system to construct. See also the IDS for Index 21900 plan requirements.

Prepare and include in the plans supplemental project specific designs and details for the following items:

• Electrical service for navigation lights including conduit path from bridge to fender system and identification of service point. Coordinate design with Index 21220 and Specification Section 510.

• Access ladders and catwalks from bridge to fender system are optional and may be included at the discretion of the District.

Designate in the plans the type of decking material to be used for catwalks: 2" x 12" Plastic Lumber or Fiberglass Open Grating. Catwalk decking material shall be determined by the District.

Complete the following "Data Tables" and include them in the plans. One "Estimated Bill of Materials Table", one "Fender System Table of Variables" and one "Estimated Quantities Block" are required for each Fender System location within a project. For projects with multiple fender systems or configurations, clearly note which Fender System the Tables and Blocks are applicable to. See Introduction I.3 for more information regarding use of Data Tables.

Base the Minimum Pile Tip Elevations on the minimum embedment of 20 feet for the 14" square prestressed concrete piles into soil having a blow count (N) greater than 6.
### Table for use with Index 21930 Fender Systems - Prestressed Concrete Piles:

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**NOTE:** For Member Marks, Sizes and Dimensions see Design Standards Index No. 21930, Sheet 7.

Bill of Materials Table above is for an entire fender system (left and right fenders).

* Provide 2-6" wide Fiberglass Open Grating for full length of fender in lieu of 4" x 12" Plastic Lumber when called for in Plans. Provide Stainless Steel Mounting Hardware and install per Manufacturer's recommendations. See Index 21930 for Notes. Include the cost of Fiberglass Open Grating and miscellaneous items required to install the grating in the price for Plastic Marine Lumber (Non-Reinforced).

### FENDER SYSTEM TABLE OF VARIABLES INDEX NO. 21930

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**DIMENSION "L"**

- CLEAR CHANNEL WIDTH
- CHANNEL SKEW ANGLE
- MW or NHW ELEVATION
- MW or NHW ELEVATION
- PILE CUTOFF ELEVATION
- MINIMUM PILE TIP ELEVATION LEFT FENDER
- PILE LENGTH LEFT FENDER
- MINIMUM PILE TIP ELEVATION RIGHT FENDER
- PILE LENGTH RIGHT FENDER
- NUMBER OF WALE ROWS

**NOTE:** Work this Table with Design Standards Index 21930.

### ESTIMATED QUANTITIES, INDEX NO. 21930

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**NOTE:** Estimated Quantities are for one entire fender system (left and right fenders).
Payment

Include quantity for Composite Marine Lumber 10" X 10" Wales Mark A under Pay Item for Plastic Marine Lumber (Reinforced). Include quantity for all other Plastic Lumber under Pay Item for Plastic Marine Lumber (Non-Reinforced).

In TRNS*PORT, include estimated quantities for both Index 21900 and Index 21930 fender systems as alternates.

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Structures Design Guidelines, Section 3.14
3 SUBSTRUCTURE AND RETAINING WALLS

3.14 FENDER SYSTEMS

3.14.1 General

A. Bridge fender systems serve primarily as navigation aids to vessel traffic by delineating the shipping channel beneath bridges. Fender systems must be robust enough to survive a multitude of bumps and scrapes from barge traffic, while being sufficiently flexible to absorb kinetic energy when redirecting an errant barge or other vessel. It is expected that this type of design will minimize the potential for damage to vessels and fenders during a minor collision while being able to redirect some vessel impacts that would otherwise destroy a more rigid style fender system.

B. The Department determines when fender systems or other protective features are required and requests U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) concurrence with plan details and locations. Coordination with the Army Corps of Engineers and local government agencies is also encouraged as they may have plans that could affect the channel alignment/depth and/or type/volume of vessel traffic.

C. A fender system will be required for the majority of bridges over navigable waterways in Florida under the jurisdiction of the USCG. In some cases, circumstances such as deep water, poor soil conditions and/or heavy vessel traffic will lead to long span designs of bridges. If the bridge span is approximately 2.5 times the required navigation channel and the navigation channel is centered on the span, omit a fender system unless required by the USCG. Each bridge site is unique and the USCG will evaluate the Department’s plans based on local characteristics such as accident history, water velocities and cross currents, geometry of the channel, etc. If a fender system is omitted, a conservative approach should be taken with respect to the minimum pier strength requirements as developed with the Vessel Collision Risk Analysis.

D. Acceptable fender systems include:

1. Design Standard Index 21900 with associated QPL listed pile configurations for use at locations with or without steel hulled commercial barge traffic.

2. If allowed by the District, Design Standard Index 21930 for use only at locations where steel hulled commercial barge traffic is non-existent.

3. A custom designed fender system based on Design Standard Index 21900. A custom design will be required where:

   a. The channel depth and/or in situ soil properties are outside of the design assumptions listed below.

   b. The standard geometry shown on Design Standard Index 21900 cannot be used.
E. Dolphins and islands can be used to protect existing bridge substructures that were not designed to resist vessel collision loads and in some cases are used to protect the substructures of bridges located at port facilities. Typically the use of dolphins and islands is discouraged as they also represent a hazard to vessels, aggravate scour and increase water flow velocities. The use of dolphins and islands will require customized designs and usually will include extensive hydraulic and geotechnical evaluations.

3.14.2 EOR’s Design Procedure

A. Use the following procedure for determining the fender system type and associated “Required Energy” (required energy absorption capacity), as defined below, that are to be shown in the plans.

B. Determine if steel hulled barge traffic is present using the Past Point map link below: http://www.dot.state.fl.us/structures/pastpointmaps/vppm.shtm. If there is a Past Point at the fender location, steel hulled commercial barge traffic is present.

C. Fender system design and energy absorption requirements where steel hulled commercial barge traffic exists:

1. Use fender systems with polymeric piles. These fender systems must resist the “Required Energy” which is defined as the “Minimum Energy” (minimum energy absorption capacity) obtained from Table 3.14.2-1 plus any “Additional Energy” (additional energy absorption capacity) at the discretion of the District Structures Design Engineer or District Structures Maintenance Engineer. The “Minimum Energy” is based on the fender system location and the 90th percentile of barge traffic at that location. When determining the need for “Additional Energy” requirements, consider site conditions, past accident history, maintenance records, volume and size of vessel traffic and bridge main span length relative to channel width. Contact the SDO for assistance in determining the magnitude of “Additional Energy” and/or if the 100th percentile of barge traffic is desired.

2. Determine the Past Point of the fender system using the Past Point map link provided above.

3. Using the Past Point of the fender system obtained from the appropriate Past Point map, enter Table 3.14.2-1 to determine the “Minimum Energy”.

4. Verify that the combination of project specific required freestanding pile height and soil properties are within the design assumptions listed in 3.14.3.E.1 and the fender height requirements shown on Design Standards Index 21900, and that a QPL listed pile configuration is available that provides the necessary “Required Energy”. Where “Required Energy” values exceed the “Energy Capacity” (energy absorption capacity) of the QPL listed polymeric pile configurations, configurations having the highest “Energy Capacity” of all approved polymeric pile configurations may be used at the discretion of the District. Otherwise use a custom fender system design. Include half of the scour depth determined for the 100-yr storm when determining required freestanding pile height.
5. Use Design Standards Index 21900 unless a custom design is required. See the Instructions for Design Standards (IDS) Index 21900 for more information and plan content requirements.

6. Establish fender location so as to provide the required horizontal navigation clearance and where economically feasible also provide an offset of 10 feet between the back of the fender and the near face of the adjacent pier or footing.

### Table 3.14.2-1 Table of Past Points and associated Minimum Energies

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**Commentary:** The “Minimum Energy” for each Past Point shown in Table 3.14-1 has been determined by following the procedure as outlined in the commentary of the AASHTO “Guide Specification and Commentary for Vessel Collision Design of Highway Bridges”, Second Edition, 2009, Section C3.8. Assumptions made in determining the “Minimum Energy” are as follows:

\[ \mu = 0.15 \]

\[ \alpha = 15 \text{ degrees} \]

\[ V = 6.4 \text{ fps} \]

\[ W = \text{as determined by the maximum barge weight plus the tug weight specific to each Past Point (if needed, contact the SDO for more information).} \]

D. At locations where barge traffic is nonexistent, use fender systems with either polymeric piles or prestressed concrete piles at the discretion of the District Structures Design Engineer or District Structures Maintenance Engineer. The “Required Energy” for these fender systems with polymeric piles is 38 (k-ft) which is
equal to the “Energy Capacity” of the fender system shown in Index 21930. See the Instructions for Design Standards (IDS) Index 21900 or 21930, as applicable, for more information and plan content requirements.

E. When a custom fender system design is required due to the condition(s) listed in 3.14.1.D.3.a and the use of polymeric piles is preferred by the District, fully detail the custom fender system geometry in the plans but do not show mandatory pile configurations. Utilize the standard geometry, wales and dimensional lumber shown on Design Standards Index 21900 as applicable. Include custom Data Tables in the plans based on those used for Design Standards Index 21900 and place the “Required Energy” in the Data Table Notes. Delete from the Data Table Notes the note requiring that a QPL listed fender system configuration be used. List the soil properties including unit weight, angle of internal friction (phi) and subgrade modulus and the distance from the top of the fender to the top of the soil layer having an N value greater than or equal to 6. Include the following associated Plan Notes:

1. This information is to be used by the Supplier’s EOR to complete the custom fender system design utilizing piles of the same type and materials as shown on a QPL listed pile configuration.

2. Submit shop drawings and associated calculations to the Engineer for approval. See also the Instructions for Design Standards (IDS) Index 21900 for examples of applicable information and plan content requirements. Develop and include in the plans package a Modified Special Provision for Specification 471 that deletes the requirements for using QPL listed pile configurations.

Commentary: In this scenario, the Supplier’s EOR develops a custom fender system design and pile configurations using QPL listed pile products, and the fender system geometry and soils information shown in the plans. The custom fender system design is submitted to the Engineer for approval using the shop drawing process.

F. When a custom fender system design is required due to the condition(s) listed in 3.14.1.D.3.a and the use of other pile types or materials is preferred by the District, fully detail the custom fender system in the plans utilizing the selected pile type. Utilize the standard geometry, wales and dimensional lumber shown on Design Standards Index 21900 as applicable. Include custom Data Tables in the plans based on those used for Design Standards Index 21900 and place the “Required Energy” in the Data Table Notes. Delete from the Data Table Notes the note requiring that a QPL listed fender system configuration be used. See also the Instructions for Design Standards (IDS) Index 21900 for examples of applicable information and plan content requirements. Develop and include in the plans package a Modified Special Provision for Specification 471 that deletes the requirements for using polymeric piles. Develop and include in the plans package a Modified Special Provision for the piles as required.

Commentary: In this scenario, the EOR develops a custom fender system design and pile configurations using piles other than polymeric piles and includes the complete design in the plans.
G. When a custom fender system design is required due to geometric constraints as specified in 3.14.1.D.3.b, fully detail the custom fender system geometry and list the “Required Energy” in the plans. Minimum length of a custom fender system is 32 feet. Utilize the standard geometry to the maximum extent possible, and the standard piles, wales and dimensional lumber shown on Design Standards Index 21900 or 21930 as appropriate. Include the Data Tables in the plans based on those used for Design Standards Index 21900 or 21930 as appropriate. See the Instructions for Design Standards (IDS) Index 21900 or 21930, as appropriate, for applicable information and plan content requirements. If the fender system length is less than 32 feet and/or the angle breaks between adjacent panels exceed 8 degrees, follow the custom fender system design procedures described in the preceding sections as directed by the District.

H. Miscellaneous Considerations:

1. The fenders should flare at the same points directly opposite each other measured perpendicular to the centerline of the navigation channel. The minimum distance from the superstructure coping to the beginning of the fender flare is 10 feet.

2. At the discretion of the District, alternate materials may be used for piles or wales when determined by life cycle cost analysis to be more feasible. The use of alternate materials will necessitate a custom design.

3. A Pile Installation Constructability Review must be performed by the Geotechnical Engineer to verify that the pile tips shown in the plans can be reasonably obtained by the Contractor, and the use of any penetration aids (jetting, preforming, etc.) will not jeopardize adjacent structures.

4. Investigate and resolve conflicts between the proposed fender system and existing utilities or structures.

5. Prestressed concrete fender piles generally have a short life expectancy, are considered sacrificial, and no corrosion protection is required beyond the use of concrete class as shown in Table 1.4.3-1.

3.14.3 Polymeric Pile Supplier Engineer’s Development Procedure

A. Use the following procedure and the requirements in Specification 471 for developing individual pile configurations for each “Energy Capacity” level intended for listing on the QPL.

B. Develop pile configurations and connection details for fender systems that result in flexible, energy absorbing structures maximizing the efficiency of the proprietary polymeric pile. Use the basic geometry of the fender system, standard connection details if possible, and limitations for pile spacing and pile clusters as shown in Design Standards Index 21900. The minimum designed clear spacing between pile clusters is 30 inches. Include capacities of, and interaction between, the wales and piles in the analysis.
C. Pile configuration drawings submitted for listing on the QPL shall be based on the
design methodology listed below and shall include but not be limited to the following:

- Energy Capacity” of the fender system with the applicable pile configuration
- Pile configuration and layout based on and compatible with the standard geometry
  shown on Design Standards Index 21900
- General notes
- Minimum pile embedment into soils having an N value greater than or equal to 6
- Pile material properties including fill material used for hollow piles and required
  admixtures
- Pile physical properties, e.g., modulus of elasticity, yield strength, moment of
  inertia, etc.
- Pile-to-wale and pile-to-pile connection details for pile sections remaining hollow
  under service conditions and/or if different from those shown on Design Standards
  Index 21900
- Any supplier required limitations regarding pile installation techniques or other
  typical construction practices permitted by FDOT construction specifications, e.g.,
  full length pile driving versus jetting/driving combination
- A note for each pile configuration stating: “The pile configuration shown is to be
  used with Design Standards Index 21900 or the project specific geometry shown
  in the plans.”

D. Resistance Factors: For piles having a non-ductile failure mode, reduce the flexural
resistance of the pile determined in accordance with Specification 471 by 20%. A
non-ductile pile is one that has a ductility factor less than 1.25. The ductility factor is
defined as the ratio of the ultimate displacement to the yield displacement.

E. Use the following design methodology as:

1. Use the following assumptions in the design of the pile configurations:
   a. Vertical distance of 30 feet from top of fender system pile to top of soil
   b. Soil properties are to be a weak submerged sand with phi = 30 degrees and a
      subgrade modulus of 20 pounds per cubic inch. These values correspond to a
      soil having a blow count, N, of approximately 6.
   c. Limit fender system deflection to where the uppermost wale remains above
      the high water elevation.
   d. Length of fender system = 32 ft. (two 16 ft. sections with no angle break
      between them)
   e. Use eight 10" x 10" wales separated by 8" x 8" spacer blocks
   f. Use a three-pile terminal cluster at one end of the model
2. Design a trial fender system using the assumptions listed above. Use a computer program that allows non-linear modeling of cantilevered piles embedded in weak soil while incorporating soil strengths using P-Y curves and that allows modeling of pile-to-wale interaction, e.g., FB-MultiPier. Consider both wale and pile moment capacities to determine magnitude(s) and location(s) of the critical load(s). Create multiple load cases applying incrementally increasing lateral static load(s) located between and directly at the pile clusters. These loads may be equally distributed between the two uppermost wales. Develop a force versus displacement diagram from the analysis, then compute the energy based on the area under the curve. This area represents the fender system's potential energy available to redirect or possibly bring an errant vessel to rest. Report the minimum calculated “Energy Capacity” from the multiple load cases as the “Energy Capacity” for the subject pile configuration.

3. Determine the pile tip elevation by maintaining a minimum Safe Embedment (Ef) of ten feet.

Determine the Safe Embedment (Ef) as follows:

To verify stability, use a computer program that allows non-linear modeling of a single cantilever pile embedded in weak soil (N=6) while incorporating soil strengths using P-Y curves, e.g., FB-MultiPier, LPILE. Load the top of the pile with a transverse load that generates the pile design moment. Raise the pile tip elevation until pile deflections, especially at the pile tip, become unreasonable or the program does not converge. Assume the unstable embedment (Eo) is one foot greater than the embedment that causes unreasonable deflections. Add an additional embedment of 5 feet or 20% of the unstable embedment (Eo), whichever is greater, to Eo to determine the safe embedment (Ef).

4. Perform a constructability review including manufacturing, transportation and installation.

3.14.4 Ladders and Platforms

A. Contact the District Structures Maintenance Engineer for ladder, platform and catwalk requirements.

B. Generally, where fender lighting maintenance access is not provided or possible by boat, provide ladders and platforms from the bridge to the fender catwalk.

C. Design ladders and platforms per OSHA and the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Title 29, Part 1910, Section 27. The clearance between rungs and obstructions should be 12-inches but not less than 7-inches (OSHA minimum.)
3.14.5 Navigation Lighting Details

A. Bridges over waterways with no significant nighttime navigation may be exempted from lighting requirements by the proper authorities; however, most bridges over navigable waterways will require some type of lighting. Refer to Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Title 33 Part 118.

B. For navigation lighting requirements, see the USCG Bridge Lighting and Other Signals Manual.
Attachment D:

Standard Specifications Section 973 – Structural Plastics

Standard Specifications Section 471 – Polymeric Fender Systems
973  STRUCTURAL PLASTICS.
(REV 5-10-11) (FA 5-19-11) (1-12)

SECTION 973 (Pages 939 - 944) is deleted and the following substituted:

SECTION 973
STRUCTURAL PLASTICS

973-1 Description.
This work covers structural plastic components including fiberglass structurally reinforced composite lumber (SCL) and smaller dimensional fiberglass fiber reinforced composite lumber (FFRCL).

973-2 Product Acceptance.
Use only products listed on the Department’s Qualified Products List (QPL).
Manufacturers seeking evaluation of products must submit an application in accordance with Section 6 and include independently certified test reports that the material meets the requirements of this Section.
In accordance with Section 6, provide manufacturer’s certification that the material meets the requirements of this section.

973-3 Materials.
Use polyethylene made from recycled post consumer or post industrial thermoplastics. Mix the plastic with appropriate colorants, UV inhibitors, hindered amine light stabilizers and antioxidants so that the resulting product meets the material property requirements specified in Tables 1 and 2. Structural plastic must not corrode, rot, warp, splinter or crack. The skin must be smooth and black in color unless otherwise specified in the Contract Documents. Skin is the surface material exposed to the atmosphere. Core is the material that surrounds and bonds to the fiberglass reinforcing rods. The use of separate materials for skin and core is at the discretion of each manufacturer; however, if a single material is used, that material must meet the requirements for both skin and core.
Manufacture structural plastic as one continuous piece with no joints or splices to the dimensions and tolerances in accordance with Table 3. Interior voids shall not exceed ¾ inch in diameter. Structural plastic members shall be free of twist and curvature.
Reinforce 10” x 10” fiberglass structurally reinforced composite lumber with a minimum of four 1-1/2 inch fiberglass reinforcing rods placed in the corners of the section.
Reinforcing rods must be continuous and offer a minimum flexural strength of 70.0 ksi when tested in accordance with ASTM D 4476 and a minimum compressive strength of 40.0 ksi when tested in accordance with ASTM D 695. Steel reinforcing rods are not permitted.
Reject any sections of structural plastic containing cracks or splits. Also, inspect the ends of the reinforcing rods and reject any sections containing reinforcing rods with voids or cracks.
Add a minimum of 15% (by weight) chopped fiberglass reinforcement to the polyethylene used for fiberglass structurally reinforced composite lumber and a minimum of 15% (by weight) chopped fiberglass reinforcement for smaller dimensional fiberglass fiber reinforced composite lumber. The fiberglass reinforcement may be reduced when other means of controlling cracking are specified with test results which show long term cracking is nonexistent.
Fiberglass structurally reinforced composite lumber must meet the minimum structural properties listed in Table 4.

Smaller dimensional fiberglass fiber reinforced composite lumber must meet the minimum physical properties listed in Table 5.

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The values stated in these tables are the required minimums.
471 POLYMERIC FENDER SYSTEMS.
(REV 5-10-11) (FA 5-19-11) (1-12)

SECTION 471 (Pages 633-634) is deleted and the following substituted:

SECTION 471
POLYMERIC FENDER SYSTEMS

471-1 Description.
Construct fender systems using components in accordance with this Section, the Plans, Design Standards and the Qualified Products List (QPL) Drawings.

471-2 Materials.
Meet the following requirements:
- Fiberglass fiber reinforced lumber (Dimensional Lumber) .............................................................. Section 973
- Fiberglass structurally reinforced composite lumber (Wales) .............................................................. Section 973
- Concrete used to fill hollow piles ............................................................................................................ Section 347

471-3 Polymeric Pile Product Acceptance.
Use polymeric pile configurations listed on the Department’s QPL.
Manufacturers seeking evaluation of products for inclusion on the QPL must submit an application in accordance with Section 6, independently certified test reports, written certification that the piling configuration meets the requirements of this Section, and the following:

1. Design:
   a. Design fender piling configurations and connections in accordance with the latest edition of the FDOT Structures Design Guidelines and applicable Structures Design Bulletins based on the desired energy capacity rating.
   b. All design calculations and design details must be signed and sealed by a Professional Engineer licensed in the State of Florida.

2. Submittals:
   a. Signed and sealed design calculations. Design calculations may be either by hand or by a computer program with hand calculations verifying the program output.
   b. Report from an independent lab verifying the flexural properties of the piling as derived from ASTM D 6109 with the following modification. Supports shall be located to provide a minimum span to depth ratio of 20:1.
   c. For pile sections remaining hollow under service conditions, a report from an independent lab verifying a minimum bolt pull-through and crushing resistance of 10 kip when equipped with manufacturer’s detailed connection hardware at a maximum distance of two feet from the end of a pile with a minimum length of four feet.
   d. Signed and sealed pile configuration drawings in 11" x 17" PDF format depicting information required by the latest edition of the FDOT Structures Design Guidelines and applicable Structures Design Bulletins.
e. Detailed material specifications showing material type, quality, certifications, acceptance and rejection criteria and placement procedures.

f. Other information pertinent to the design and performance of the pile configuration as necessary.

g. A field construction manual describing in detail, with illustrations, construction requirements and the step-by-step construction sequence for the pile handling and installation. Submit manual in 8.5" x 11" in PDF format.

471-4 Construction Details.

Unless otherwise shown in the manufacturer’s approved field construction manual, use the following construction details.

Protect materials at all times against exposure to extreme heat or impact. Transport products in a manner that will minimize scratching or damage to the outer surfaces, stack on dunnage above ground so that it may be easily inspected and store in a manner that will avoid damage. Handle and lift products with nylon slings. Do not use sharp instruments in handling the product. Products damaged in shipping or handling will be rejected.

Products containing cracks in the reinforcing rods or cracks, partial or full depth, across the section or splits will be rejected.

Cut, bevel, drill, countersink and otherwise install products in accordance with the manufacturer’s recommendations. Set all material accurately to required levels and lines, with members plumb and true and accurately cut and fitted. Securely attach all materials to substrate by anchoring and fastening as shown on the plans. Perform all cutting and drilling in a manner that allows for the collection of all debris and dispose of properly.

Install piles in accordance with Section 455.

471-5 Method of Measurement.

The quantity of dimensional fiberglass fiber reinforced lumber and fiberglass structurally reinforced composite lumber to be paid for will be the plan quantity, in feet board measure, computed based upon the dimensions shown in the Plans.

The quantity of polymeric piles to be paid will be lump sum.

471-6 Basis of Payment.

Price and payment for plastic marine lumber will be full compensation for the work specified in this Section including all material, storage costs, disposal of unused material and waste, transportation costs, labor, equipment, fasteners and other necessary items required for completing the work. No separate payment will be made for plates, bolts, screws or other hardware necessary to complete the work.

Price and payment for polymeric piles will be full compensation for all labor, equipment and materials required to furnish and install the piles to the pile cut-off elevations shown in the Plans.

Payment will be made under:

Item No. 471-1 Fender System, Plastic Marine Lumber – MB.
Item No. 471-2 Fender System, Polymeric Piles - LS
Attachment E:

## FENDER SYSTEM, POLYMERIC PILES

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### Notes

Effective January 2012 lettings, and later. Refer to Structures Design Bulletin.

### Details

This pay item is to be used for Fender Systems, in accordance with the Instructions for Design Standards, Index 21900.

Note from Structures Design Bulletin: Fender systems are no longer classified as "Light Duty", "Medium Duty" or "Heavy Duty"; therefore, Design Standards Indexes 21910 and 21920 are deleted. Designs will use the basic geometry of the fender system, standard connection details if possible, and limitations for pile spacing and pile clusters that are shown in revised Design Standards Index 21900. Each polymeric piling supplier will develop pile configurations and connection details for fender systems that result in flexible, energy absorbing structures maximizing the efficiency of their proprietary polymeric pile. These pile configurations will be listed on the QPL.

### Required

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### Recommended

#### Design Forms and Documentation

- COMP 700-050-05: Lump Sum Quantities

  Use a quantity of 1, but calculations and computation book documentation must be to the second unit of measure. Locate or define the scope of work involved on the plans.

#### Construction Forms and Documentation

No additional form required; use plans summary or comp book

Final pay quantity will be PLAN QUANTITY with proper consideration for Specification tolerances.

### References

- PPM Chapter
- Trns-port
- Other
  - SDG 3.14
  - Index 21900 and 21930

### Specifications

Section 471

### Prep & Doc Manual Chapter(s)

**TRNS*PORT Category (DRAFT FIELD):**

### Notes

The following items were open, as of the publication date. Refer to the Master Pay Item list for current items.