FDOT Transportation Innovation Initiative: UHPC – Design Innovation



What was unique about this project?

Third use of UHPC for existing sonovoid PSB joint repairs in Florida. Only middle 50% of joint repaired with UHPC. Remaining joint length grooved to 1" depth cleaned and sealed with non-shrink grout.







SECTION B-B



Affiliations: PE Consultant: Construction Contractor: Construction Engineering Inspection:

Project Contact:

Engineer of Record:

FDOT Construction Project Manager:



Describe Traditional Approach:

Traditional approach includes using hooked and lacing reinforcing bars within wider concrete closure pours using high early strength concrete.

Describe New Approach:

Exposure of existing reinforcing bars by hydro-demolition, with addition of supplemental tie bars enclosed in a UHPC closure pour.

Top Innovations Employed:

Utilization of UHPC connections for rapid and robust repair of damage longitudinal joint connections.

Primary Benefits Realized/Expected:

More robust and longer service life from UHPC connections. Short closure time for lanes on highway system bridges.

Project Estimated Start Date/Completion Date:

April 2022 – April 2023

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