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Bridge Design Guide Specifications for GFRP-RC

AASHTO-BDGS-GFRP 2nd Edition (under consideration)

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- **Key features of 2nd Edition update:**
 - Approach & relevance
 - Deliverable
 - Comparisons & key equations
- **Harmonize**
 - ASTM, AASHTO-BDS, ACI & CSA
- **Update**
 - Creep-rupture & fatigue
 - Flexure
 - Compression
- **Expand**
 - Case studies: footing, bent cap, girder & pile
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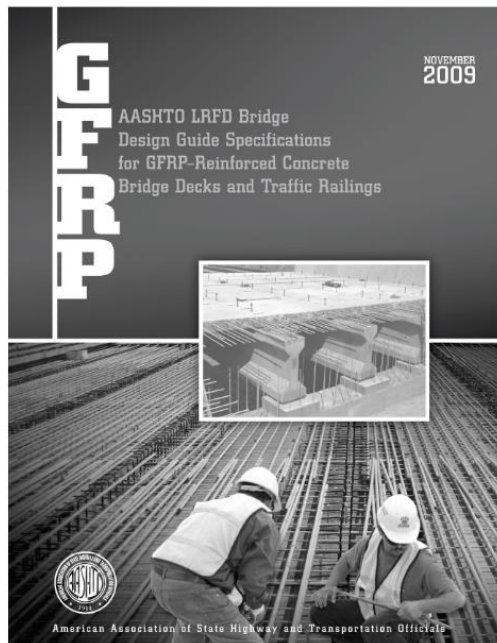
Approach and Relevance

- **Harmonize** with national (*ACI*, *ASTM* and *AASHTO-BDS*) and international (*CSA*) specifications.
 - Ease design/deployment
 - Ease certification
 - Enlarge market
- **Update** existing provisions to reflect better materials and manufacturing, and new research findings.
 - Make design more efficient
 - Creep-rupture & fatigue
 - Flexure
 - Compression

Approach and Relevance

- **Expand** provisions to include all members of a bridge.
 - Allow the design of a bridge entirely GFRP-RC
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- From *1st Edition* on decks and railings to complete **Bridge Design Guide Specifications (BDGS-GFRP) 2nd Edition**.
- To be voted (06/26/2018) by AASHTO Committee T6 for adoption.



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BRIDGE DESIGN GUIDE SPECIFICATIONS
FOR GFRP REINFORCED CONCRETE – 2ND
EDITION

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Contents Comparison

Chapter/Section (AASHTO 2 nd)	AASHTO 2 nd 2018	AASHTO 1 st 2009	ACI 440.1R 2015	CSA 2014
2. Concrete Structures				
• Flexural elements	X	X	X	X
• Compression	X			
• Shear	X	X	X	X
• Torsion	X			
3. Decks	X	X		X
4. Substructures	X			
5. Railings	X	X		X
6. Material & Construction	X	X	X	X

Capacity provisions

$$f_{fd} = C_E f_{fu}^*$$

GFRP (long-term) Design Strength

$$M_r = \begin{cases} \Phi_C A_f f_f \left(d - \frac{0.8 x}{2} \right) & \varepsilon_c = \varepsilon_{cu} \\ \Phi_T A_f f_{fd} \left(d - \frac{0.8 x}{2} \right) & \varepsilon_c = \varepsilon_{fd} \end{cases}$$

Flexural Resistance

$$V_r = \Phi_S (V_c + V_f)$$

Shear Resistance

Serviceability provisions

$$f_{f,c} = C_c C_E f_{fu}$$

GFRP Creep Rupture Strength

$$f_{f,f} = C_f C_E f_{fu}$$

GFRP Fatigue Strength

$$s \leq 1.15 C_b \frac{E_f w}{f_f} - 2.5 C_c$$

Spacing for Crack Control

Comparison of **Critical** Design Parameters

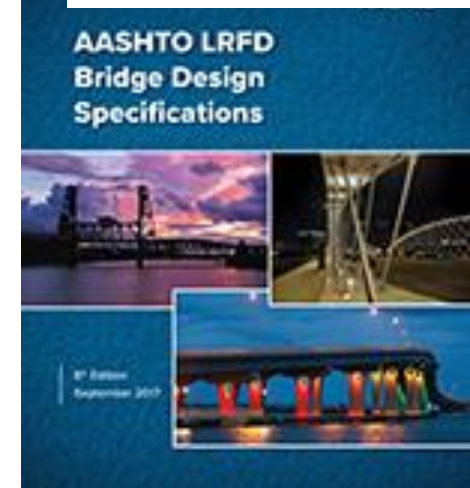
	AASHTO 2nd 2018	AASHTO 1 st 2009	ACI 440.1R 2015	CSA 2014	
f_{fu}^*	99.73	99.73	99.73	95.0 ⁽²⁾	Strength percentile
Φ_C	0.75	0.65	0.65	0.75	Res. Fact. concr. failure
Φ_T	0.55	0.55	0.55	0.55	Res. Fact. FRP failure
Φ_S	0.75	0.75	0.75	0.75	Res. Fact. shear failure
C_E	0.70	0.70	0.70	1.0	<i>Environmental reduction</i>
C_C	0.25 0.30 ⁽³⁾	0.20	0.20	0.25	<i>Creep rupture reduction</i>
C_f	0.25	0.20	0.20	0.25	<i>Fatigue reduction</i>
C_b	0.80	0.70	0.70	1.0	<i>Bond reduction</i>
w	0.028	0.020/0.28	0.028 to 0.020	0.02?	Crack width limit [in.]
$C_{C, stirrups}$	1.5	1.50	2.0 ⁽¹⁾	(40 mm)	Clear cover [in.]
$C_{C, slab}$	1.0	0.75 to 2.0	0.75 to 2.0 ⁽¹⁾	(40 mm)	Clear cover [in.]

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Harmonization: **ASTM** & **AASHTO-BDS**

- **2nd Edition** Refers to **ASTM D7957-17** for material specifications
 - Only vinyl ester GFRP / epoxy GFRP round bars allowed
 - Role separation and eased certification
- Design of GFRP-RC bridge elements follows structure of Bridge Design Specifications for steel-RC/PC (**AASHTO-BDS-17, 8th Ed.**).
 - Same language and integration
 - Familiar environment for the practitioner



Harmonization: ACI & CSA-CHBDC

- **Inputs** from existing guidelines/codes:
 - **ACI 440.1R-15** “Guide for the Design and Construction of Structural Concrete Reinforced with Fiber Reinforced Polymer Bars”
 - **CSA S6-14 Section 16** “Canadian Highway Bridge Design Code: Fibre-Reinforced Structures”
- **Coordination** with next-edition (where possible)
 - **ACI 440-19** “Building Code Requirements for Structural Concrete Reinforced with GFRP Bars” (under dev.)
 - **CSA S6-19 Section 16** “Canadian Highway Bridge Design Code: Fibre Reinforced Structures” (under dev.)

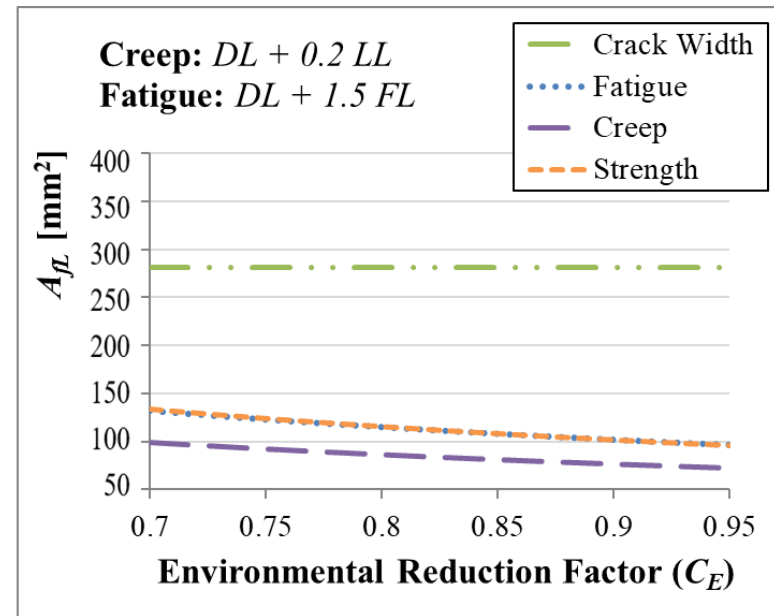
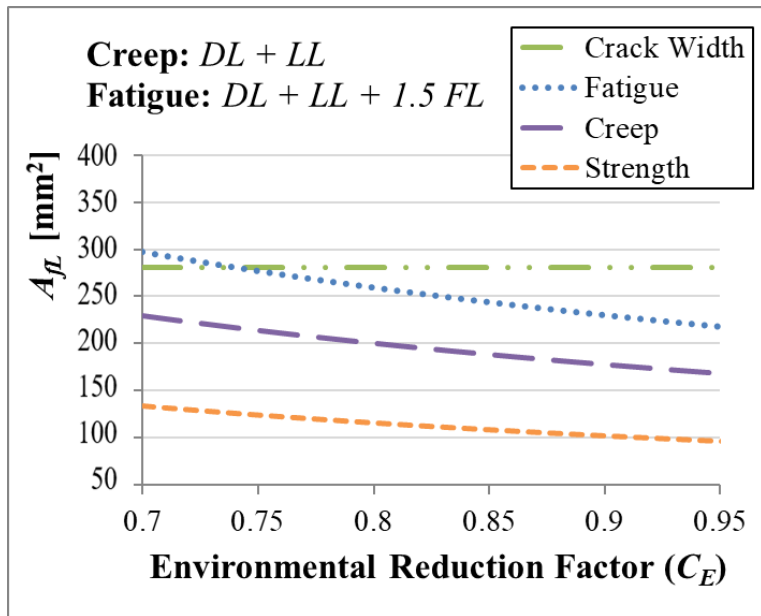


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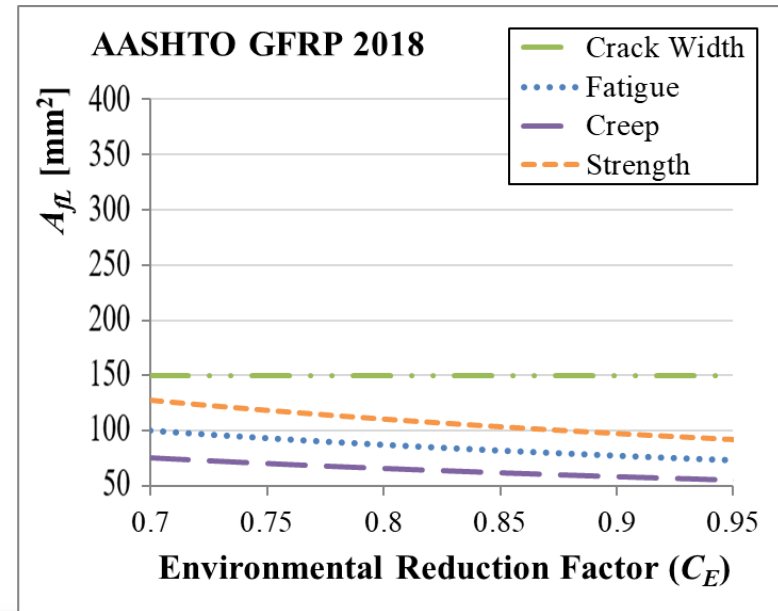
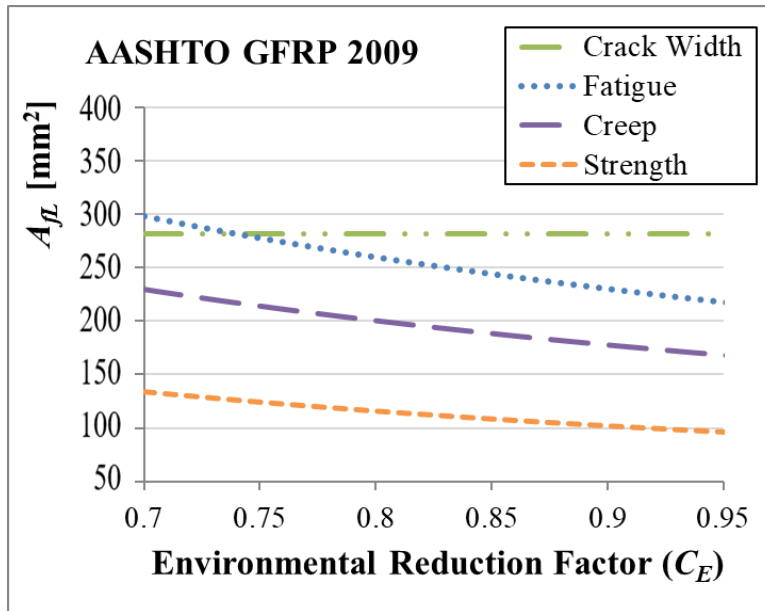
Update: Creep Rupture & Fatigue (**Demand**)

- Rationally defined creep rupture and fatigue load demands
- Only a portion of the **live load** considered **sustained load for creep rupture** calculations
- **Dead load** added to **fatigue load for cyclic fatigue** calculations. Accounts for static/cyclic fatigue coupling



Update: Flexural Parameters (**Resistance**)

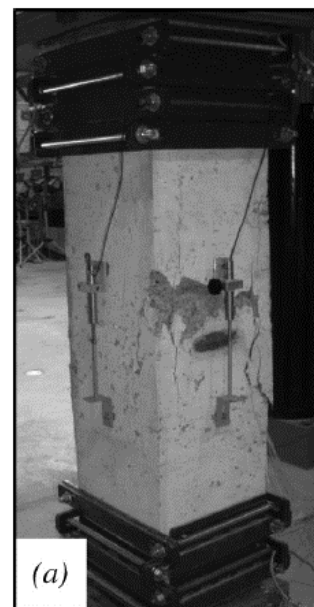
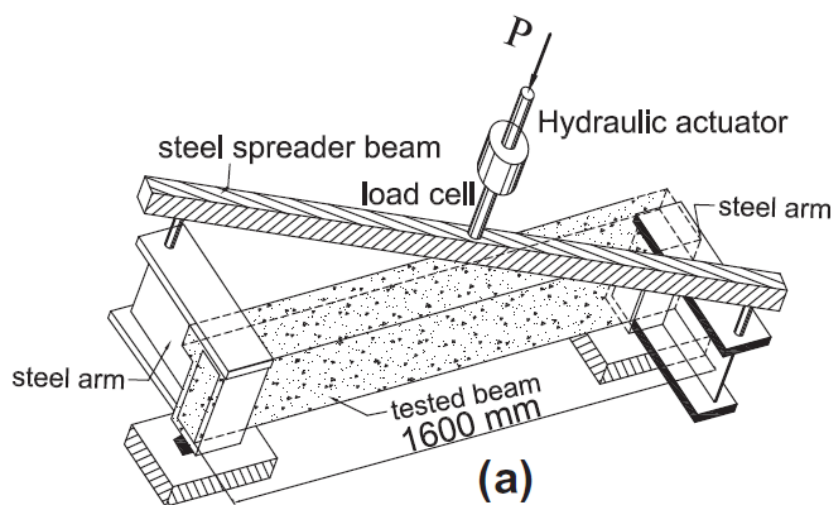
- Updates reflect performances of **ASTM**-certified materials.
- Flexural resistance Φ_c aligned to **AASHTO BDS-17** (0.65 to **0.75**)
- Creep C_c and fatigue C_f separated and aligned to **CSA-14** (0.20 to **0.30**⁽³⁾ & **0.25**)
- Crack width w limit aligned to **ACI 440-19** (0.5 to **0.7 mm**)



⁽³⁾ Changed 6/28/18 based on approved ballot version

Update: **Compression**, Shear and Torsion

- Include **compression** and **torsion** for GFRP-RC.
- Design procedures **aligned to BDS-17 (8th) new format**. Variations limited to material properties and related parameters.
- Include all superstructure and substructure elements
- Harmonized with **ACI 440-19** Building Code under development

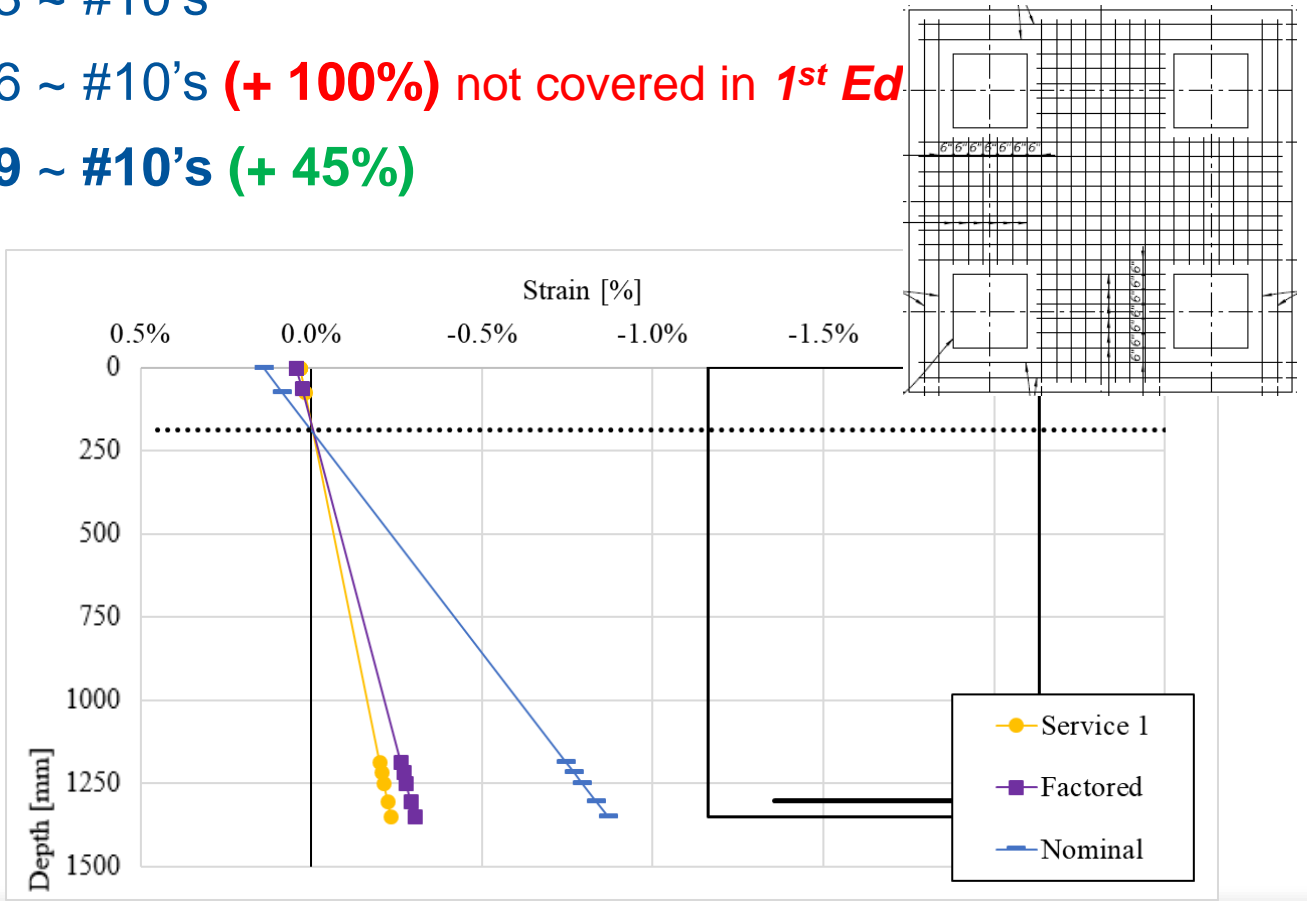


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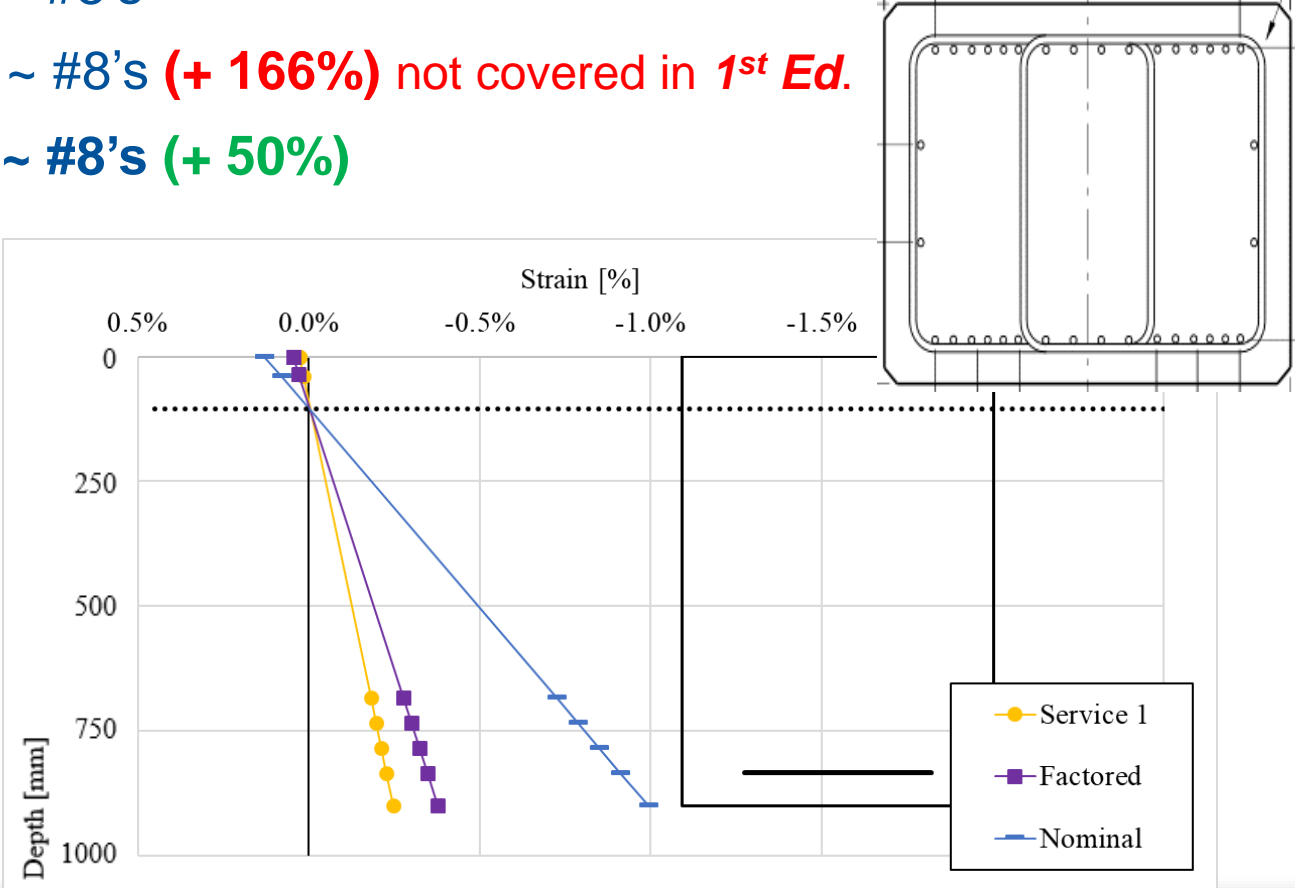
Expand: GFRP-RC Footings

- Reference Project: **SR 388 over Burnt Mill Creek Bridge.**
- Steel-RC 13 ~ #10's
- GFRP-RC-1st 26 ~ #10's (+ 100%) not covered in 1st Ed
- GFRP-RC-2nd 19 ~ #10's (+ 45%)



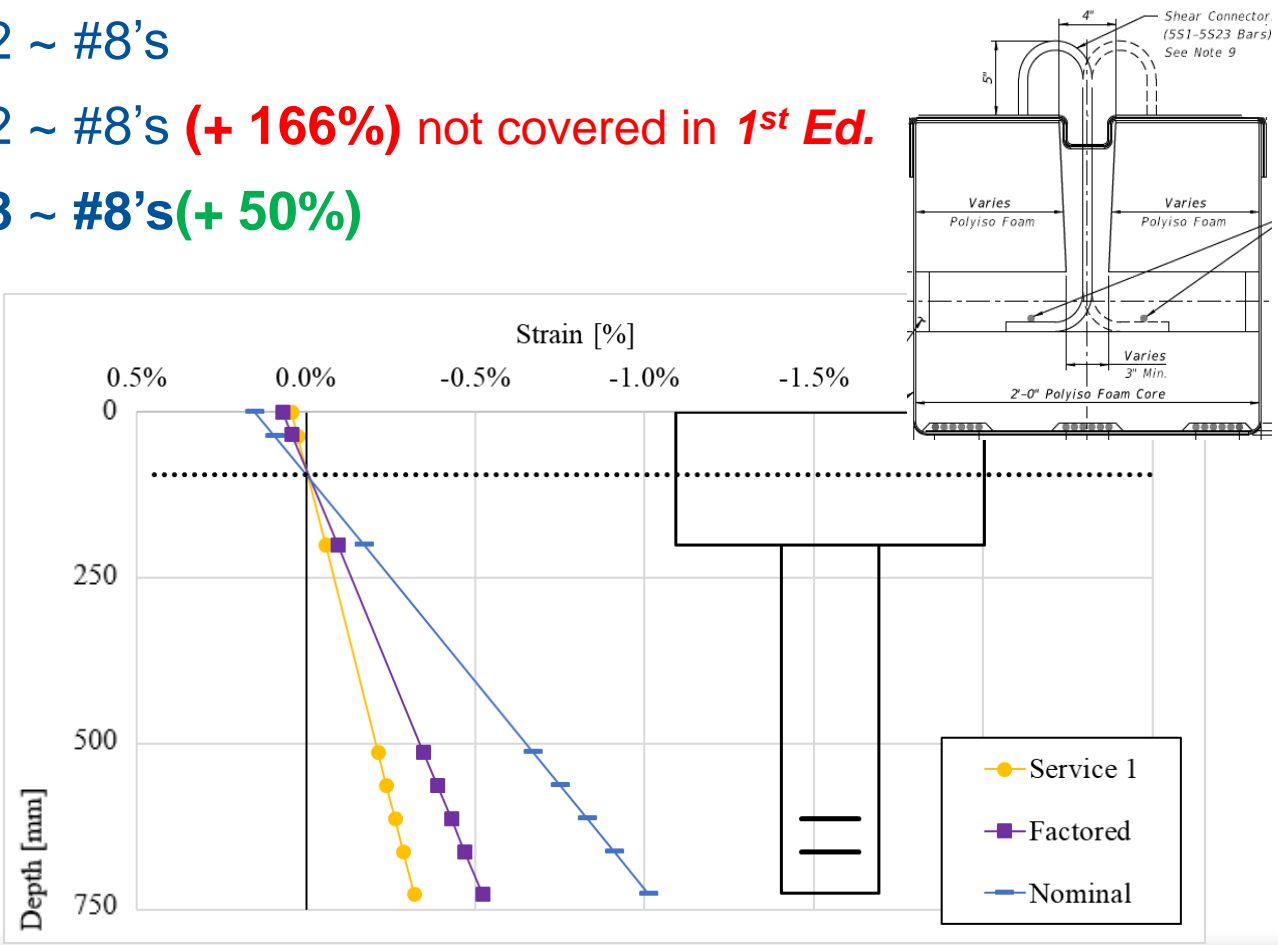
Expand: GFRP-RC Bent Cap

- Reference Project: *Halls River Bridge Replacement*.
- Steel-RC 6 ~ #8's
- GFRP-RC-1st 16 ~ #8's (+ 166%) not covered in 1st Ed.
- GFRP-RC-2nd 9 ~ #8's (+ 50%)



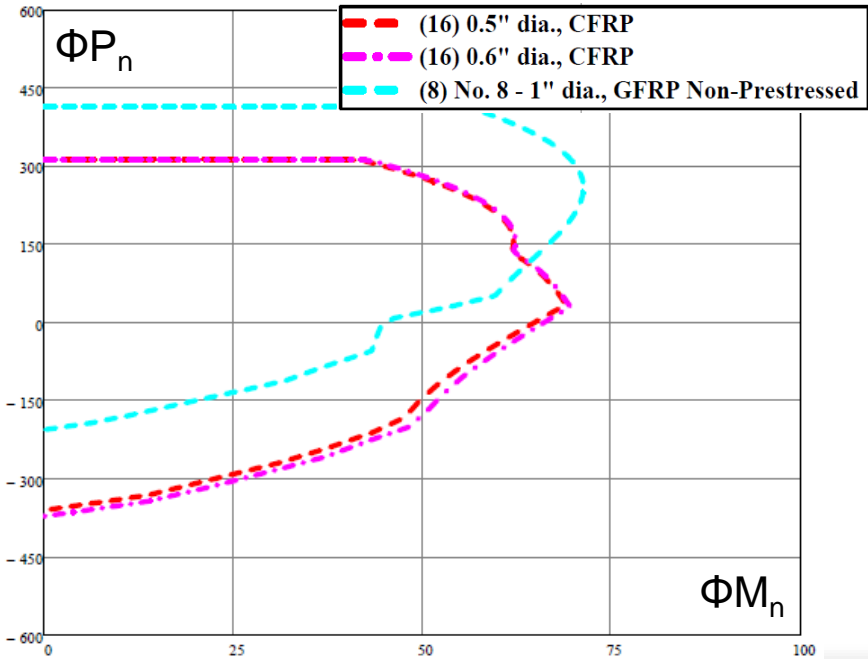
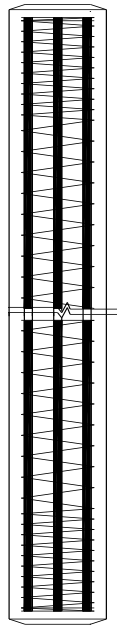
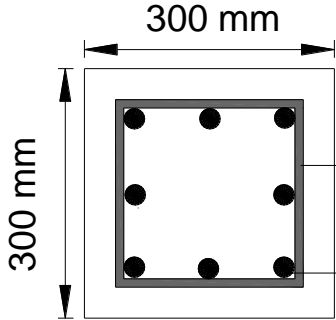
Expand: GFRP-RC Girders

- Reference Project: *Halls River Bridge Replacement.*
- Steel-RC 12 ~ #8's
- GFRP-RC-1st 32 ~ #8's (+ 166%) not covered in 1st Ed.
- GFRP-RC-2nd 18 ~ #8's(+ 50%)



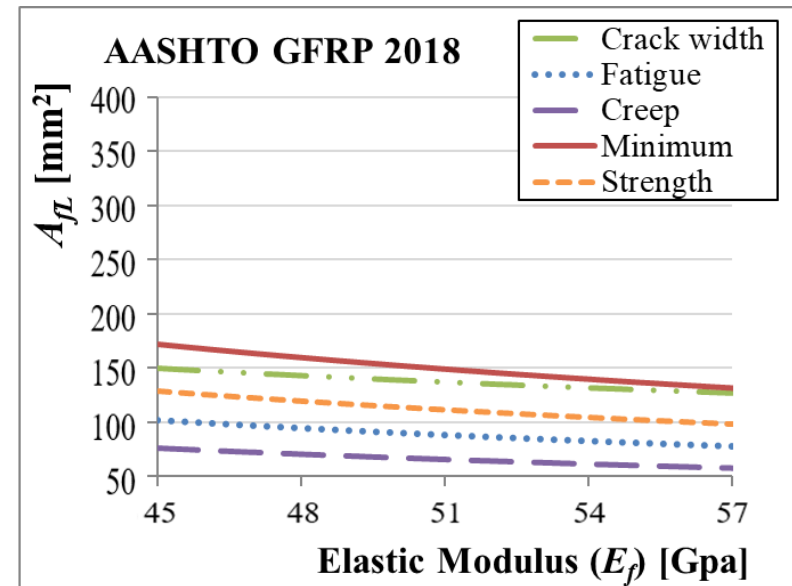
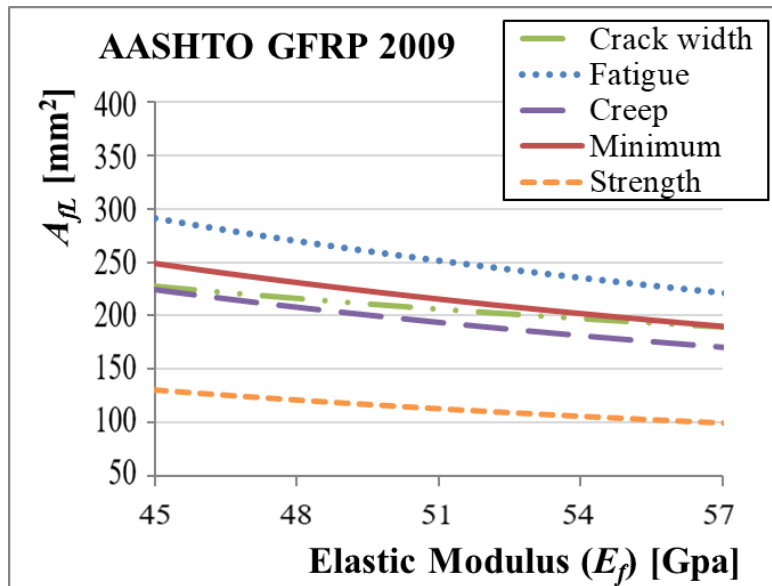
Expand: GFRP-RC Piles

- Reference Project: : *iDock with Seacrete™*.
- Steel-RC 8 ~ #7's
- GFRP-RC-1st NA **not covered in 1st Ed.**
- **GFRP-RC-2nd 8 ~ #8's (+ 77%)**



Challenge to Industry: Elastic Modulus

- Elastic modulus is a **game-changer**.
- Increment shall not come from mere sectional area enlargement.
- Need to operate within **ASTM D7957-17** boundaries.
- Improve **quality of the manufacturing** process to answer market demand: stiffness, bond performances, durability.

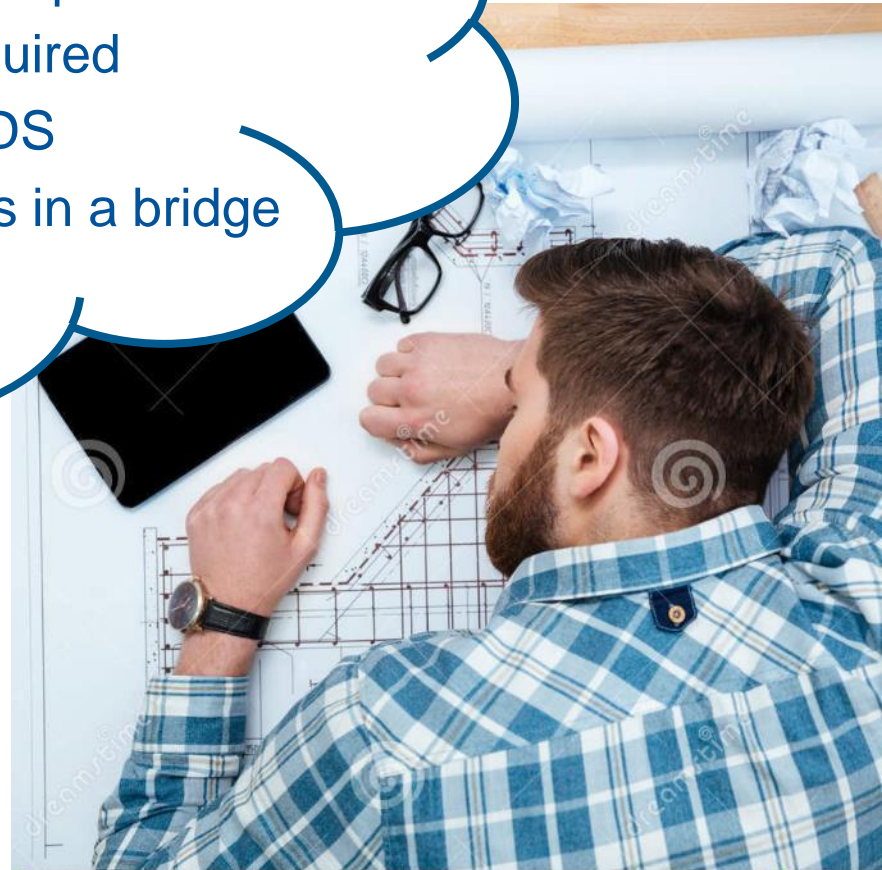


Conclusions


- New generation of FRP spec
- Less reinforcement required
- Fully integrated with BDS
- Covers all RC elements in a bridge

Dreaming is nice, but...

**We need adoption
to make it real!!!**



Conclusions: Defining moment!



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- Meeting Summary
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- Hotel Accommodations
- Sponsorship & Advertising Opportunities
- Guest/Spouse Events
- 2018 Planning Staff
- FAQs

Meeting Agenda

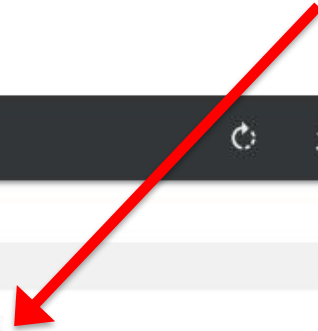
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- T-16 Timber Structures

Tuesday, June 26

8:00 am - noon **Technical Committee Meetings**

- T-6 Fiber Reinforced Polymers
- T-13 Culverts



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