FDOT Transportation Innovation Initiative: UHPC – Design Innovation



Fast Facts: Ultra-High Performance Concrete



| Project Location: | FDOT District 2 Jacksonville Duval, Florida |
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| Agency: | Florida Department of Transportation |
| URL: <u>http://w</u> | ww.fdot.gov/structures/innovation/UHPC.shtm |
| Project Name: | SR115 (Arlington Expy) over Red Bay Branch Bridge Nos. 720136 & 720148 FPID: 443310-1 (T2934) |
| Project Description: | Sonovoid PSB longitudinal joint repairs with UHPC. |
| Project Purpose & No | eed: Reflective cracks in the asphalt overlay, indicating separation of the sonovoid units at the joints between the units. Bridge work activities involved hydro-demolition of longitudinal joints between PSB precast units and filling connections with supplemental tie bars and UHPC. |
| Overall Budget/ | \$20M (Construction Contract) |
| Cost Estimate: | \$4M (Joint Repair w/ UHPC) |

What was unique about this project?

Largest project use of UHPC (98 CY) for existing sonovoid PSB joint repairs in Florida. 29-spans with 8-joints each = approx. 6,400 LF.



> SECTION A-A SLAB UNIT CONNECTION DETAIL USING UHPC

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

Project Contact:

Engineer of Record:

FDOT Design 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. Shorter closure time for highway system bridges.

Project Estimated Start Date/Completion Date:

Spring 2023 - 2024

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