

# **INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

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Eric Holcomb, Governor Mike Smith, Commissioner

# **FINAL DRAFT MINUTES**

# June 20, 2024, Standards Committee Meeting

(Approved actions by the Committee on considered items shown as highlighted yellow. No changes to the First Draft Minutes.)

July 11, 2024

- TO: Standards Committee
- FROM: Scott Trammell, Secretary
- RE: Minutes from the June 20, 2024, Standards Committee Meeting

The Standards Committee meeting was called to order by Mr. Pankow, Chair, at 09:01 a.m. on <u>Thursday, June 20</u>, which was held virtually via *Teams* (Microsoft application). The meeting was adjourned at 09:19 a.m.

The following committee members were in attendance:

Pankow, Gregory, Chairman, Director, Construction Management Boruff, Dave, Traffic Engineering Dave, Kumar, Pavement Engineering Golkhajeh, Jaffar,\*\* Bridge Management Koch, Mike, District Construction, Fort Wayne District Mouser, Elizabeth,\* Highway Engineering Novak, Joseph, Construction Management Pelz, Kurt, Construction Technical Support Reilman, Jim, Materials and Tests White, Peter, Bridge Engineering Wooden, John, Contract Administration \**Proxy* for Orton, Mark \*\**Proxy* for Rearick, Anne

Also, the following attendees were present:

Aguirre, Frank, INDOT Awwad, Nathan, INDOT Barney, Bruce, INDOT Blanchard, Jacob, INDOT Harding, Matthew, INDOT Harris, Tom, INDOT Hauser, Derrick, INDOT Jacobs, David, INDOT Coffin, Delaney, INDOT Craig, Patrick, INDOT Cruz, Elena, INDOT Dan Osborn, ICI Delp, Patrick, INDOT Duncan, Thomas (FHWA) Feutz, Douglas, INDOT Fisher, Steve, INDOT Fox, Gary, INDOT Galetka, Jason, INDOT John Leckie, IRMCA Kreutzjans, Gary, INDOT Mueller, Bart, INDOT Perugu, Kshitija, INDOT Podorvanova, Lana, INDOT Powell, Traci, INDOT Russell, Melissa, INDOT Shi, Runfa, INDOT Thornton, Donald, INDOT Trammell, Scott, INDOT

The following items were discussed:

# A. GENERAL BUSINESS

OLD BUSINESS (No items were listed)

# NEW BUSINESS

1. Approval of the Minutes from the <u>May 17</u> meeting

Mr. Pankow requested a motion to approve the Minutes from the May 17, 2024 meeting.

Motion: Mr. Pelz Second: Mr. Novak Ayes: 10 Nays: 0

ACTION:

PASSED AS SUBMITTED

# **B. CONCEPTUAL PROPOSAL**

(No items were listed)

# C. STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS, DRAWINGS, AND SPECIAL PROVISIONS

OLD BUSINESS (No items were listed)

NEW BUSINESS

Item No. 1	Mr. Boruff	pg. <u>3</u>
Standard Drawings (proposed new):		
E 802-DBCS-01	Dynamic Message Sign Butterfly Cantilever	
	Structure Index	
E 802-DBCS-02	Structure Plan, Elevation, Me	mber Sizes, and Camber

E 802-DBCS-03	Quadri Chard and Elange Details	
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E 802-DBCS-11 E 802-DBCS-12	Security Gate Details	
E 802-DBCS-12 E 802-DBCS-13	Wiring Layout Details	
E 802-DBCS-13 E 802-DBCS-14	Foundation at 33" Concrete Barrier	
E 802-DBCS-14 E 802-DBCS-15	Foundation at 45" Concrete Barrier	
E 802-DBCS-15 E 802-DBCS-16		
E 802-DBC3-16	Foundation 4'-0" Ø Drilled Shaft	
ACTION:	WITHDRAWN	
Items No. 2		
Item No. 2	Mr. White pg. 22	
2024 Standard Specifications:	Deeferment Foresteine Islant Filler	
906.03	Preformed Expansion Joint Filler	
ACTION:	PASSED AS SUBMITTED	
Item No. 3	Mr. Reilman pg. 26	
2024 Standard Specifications:		
702.05	Proportioning	
702.07	Mixing	
ACTION:	PASSED AS SUBMITTED	
Item No. 4	Mr. Novak pg. 30	
2024 Standard Specifications:		
622.06	Planting Season	
622.19	Crown Vetch Plants and SeedlingsBlank	
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ACTION:	PASSED AS SUBMITTED	
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cc: Committee Members		
FHWA		

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REVISION TO 2024 STANDARD DRAWINGS

# PROPOSAL TO STANDARDS COMMITTEE

<u>PROBLEM(S) ENCOUNTERED</u>: To enhance motorist safety and operation the agency plans to install permanent dynamic message signs at interstate interchanges to display real time and other pertinent travel information. There is currently not a standard for the structure to support this type of signing.

<u>PROPOSED SOLUTION:</u> Develop a new drawing series for Dynamic Message Butterfly Cantilever (802-DBCS) sign structures.

APPLICABLE STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS: Section 910.19 Overhead Sign Structures

APPLICABLE STANDARD DRAWING: New Series

APPLICABLE DESIGN MANUAL CHAPTER: 502

APPLICABLE SECTION OF GIFE: N/A

APPLICABLE RECURRING SPECIAL PROVISION OR PLAN DETAILS: N/A

PAY ITEMS AFFECTED: N/A

APPLICABLE SUB-COMMITTEE ENDORSEMENT: N/A

IF APPROVED AS RECURRING SPECIAL PROVISION OR PLAN DETAILS, PROPOSED BASIS FOR USE:  $\mathrm{N/A}$ 

IMPACT ANALYSIS (attach report): yes

Submitted By: David Boruff

Title: Manager, Office of the Traffic Administration

Division: Traffic Engineering

E-mail: dboruff@indot.in.gov

Date: 5/15/24

REVISION TO 2024 STANDARD DRAWINGS

# **IMPACT ANALYSIS REPORT CHECKLIST**

*Explain the business case as to why this item should be presented to the Standards Committee for approval. Answer the following questions with Yes, No or N/A.* 

<u>Does this item appear in any other specification sections?</u> No <u>Will approval of this item affect the Qualified Products List (QPL)?</u> No Will this proposal improve:

> <u>Construction costs?</u> No <u>Construction time?</u> No <u>Customer satisfaction?</u> Yes <u>Congestion/travel time?</u> Yes <u>Ride quality?</u> N/A

Will this proposal reduce operational costs or maintenance effort? No

Will this item improve safety:

For motorists? Yes For construction workers? Yes

Will this proposal improve quality for:

<u>Construction procedures/processes?</u> N/A <u>Asset preservation?</u> N/A <u>Design process?</u> N/A

Will this change provide the contractor more flexibility? N/A

Will this proposal provide clarification for the Contractor and field personnel? N/A

Can this item improve/reduce the number of potential change orders? N/A

Is this proposal needed for compliance with:

<u>Federal or State regulations?</u>No <u>AASHTO or other design code?</u>No

Is this item editorial? No

Provide any further information as to why this proposal should be placed on the Standards Committee meeting Agenda:

<u>Item No. 1</u> (2024 SS) (contd.) Mr. Boruff Date: 06/20/24

# **REVISION TO 2024 STANDARD DRAWINGS**

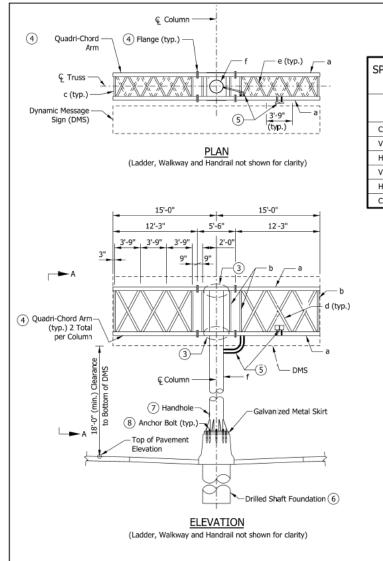
E 802-DBCS-01 Dynamic Message Sign Butterfly Cantilever Structure Index

INDEX	
SHEET NO.	SUBJECT
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2	Structure Plan, Elevation, Member Sizes, and Camber
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7	Handhole and I.D. Tag Details
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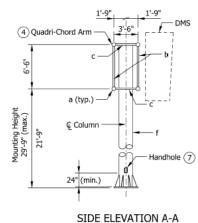
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CANTIL	SSAGE SIGN BUTTERFLY LEVER STRUCTURE INDEX PTEMBER 2025	
STANDARD DRAWI	ING NO. E 802-DBCS-0	)1
	DESIGN STANDARDS ENGINEER	DATE

#### E 802-DBCS-02 Structure Plan, Elevation, Member Sizes, and Camber



SPAN = 15 ft. MAX. SIGN AREA = 300 sq. ft. MAX. MOUNTING HEIGHT = 21'-9"		
MEMBER	MARK	O.D. (IN.) × WALL THK. (IN.)
CHORD	а	6.625 x 0.432
VERTICAL	b	2.875 x 0.276
HORIZONTAL	с	2.875 x 0.276
VERTICAL DIAGONAL	d	4 x 0.318
HORIZONTAL DIAGONAL	e	2.875 x 0.276
COLUMN	f	24 x 0.500

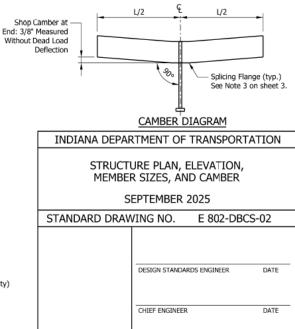
#### MEMBER SIZES



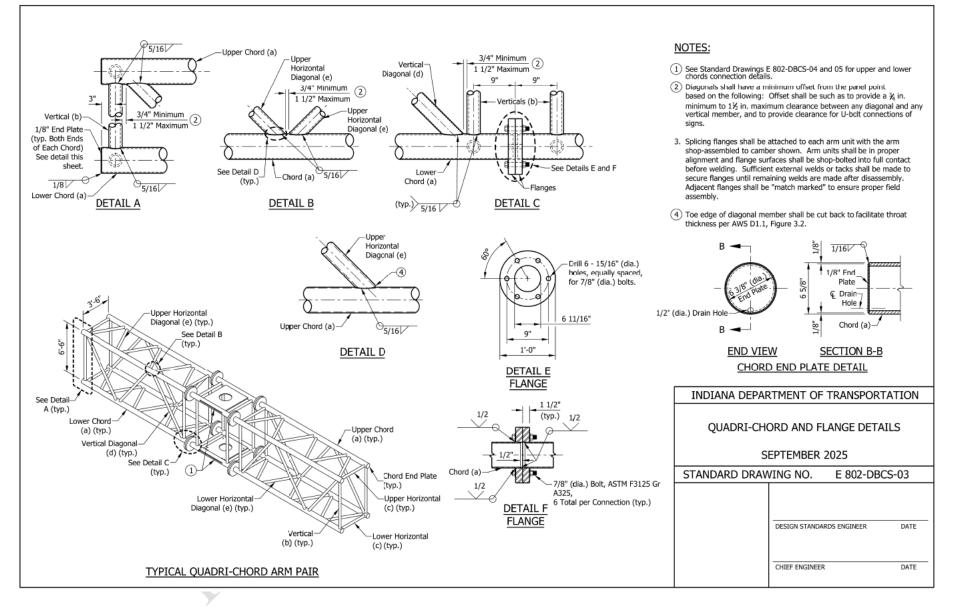
#### (Ladder, Walkway, Handrail and Foundation not shown for clarity)



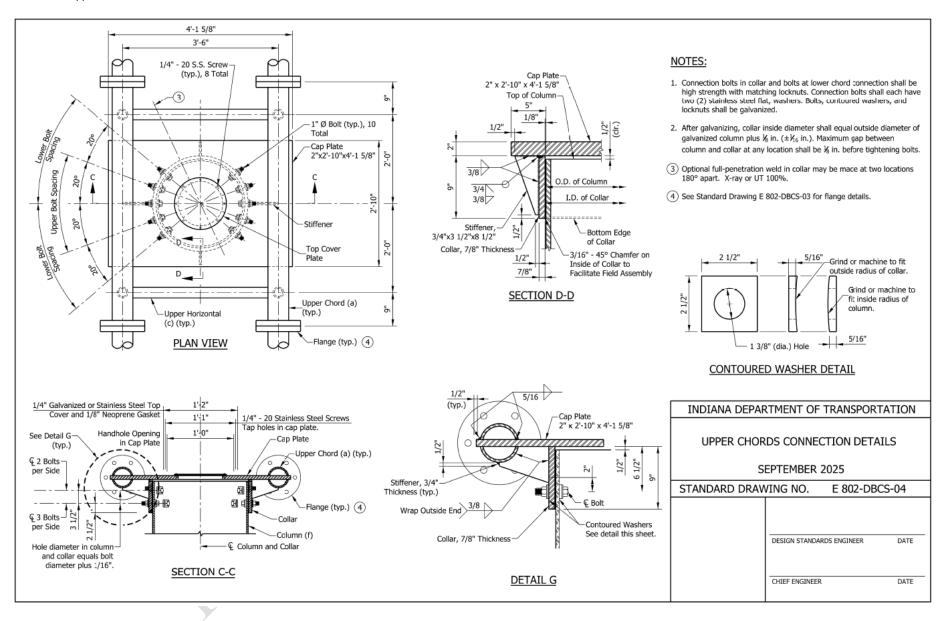
- 1. Maximum deviation of any chord from a straight line shall be  ${\rm \not\!k}$  in.
- All butterfly structure members shall be in steel in accordance with ASTM A 53. Grade B.
- $(\ensuremath{\underline{3}})$  See Standard Drawing E 802-DBCS-04 and 05 for upper and lower chord connection details.
- (4) See Standard Drawing E 802-DBCS-03 for quadri-coord and flange details
- (5) See Standard Drawing E 802-DBCS-13 for wiring layout and wire outlet details.
- 6 See Standard Drawing E 802-DBCS-14-16 for foundation details.
- (7) See Standard Drawing E 802-DBCS-07 for handhole and I.D. tag details.
- (8) See Standard Drawing E 802-DBCS-06 for base plate, anchor bolt, and metal skirt details.



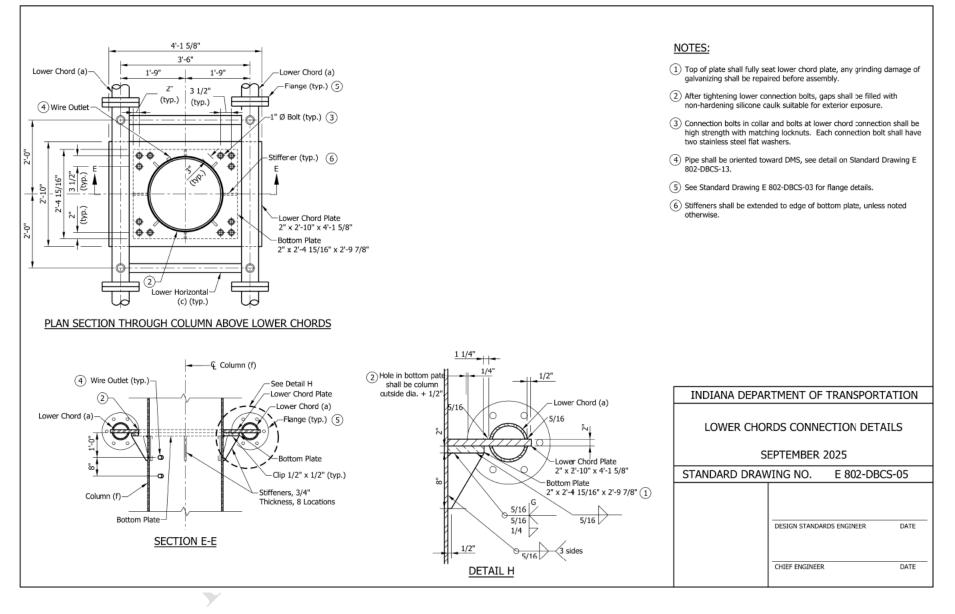
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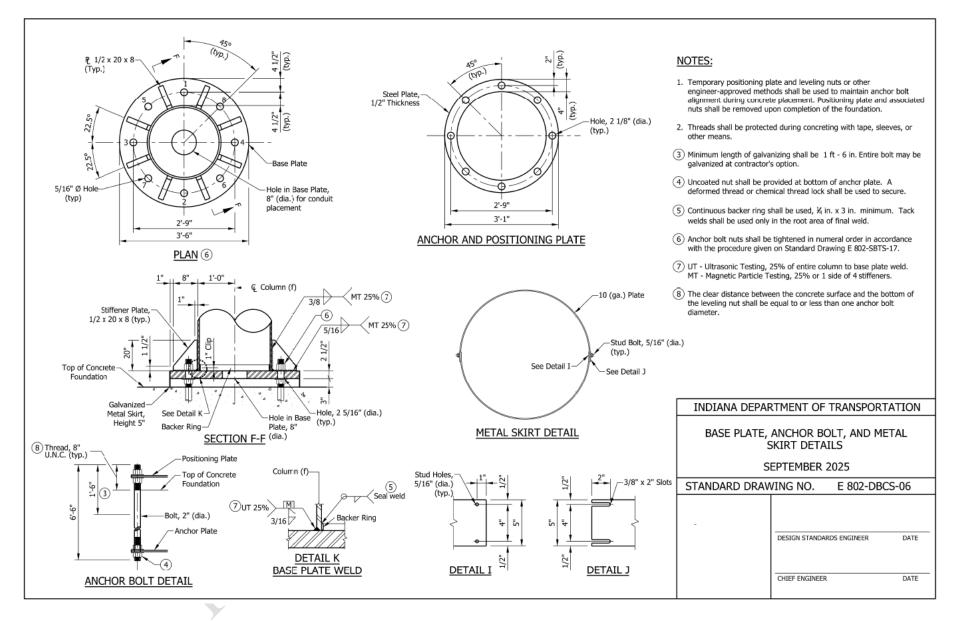
#### E 802-DBCS-04 Upper Chords Connection Details



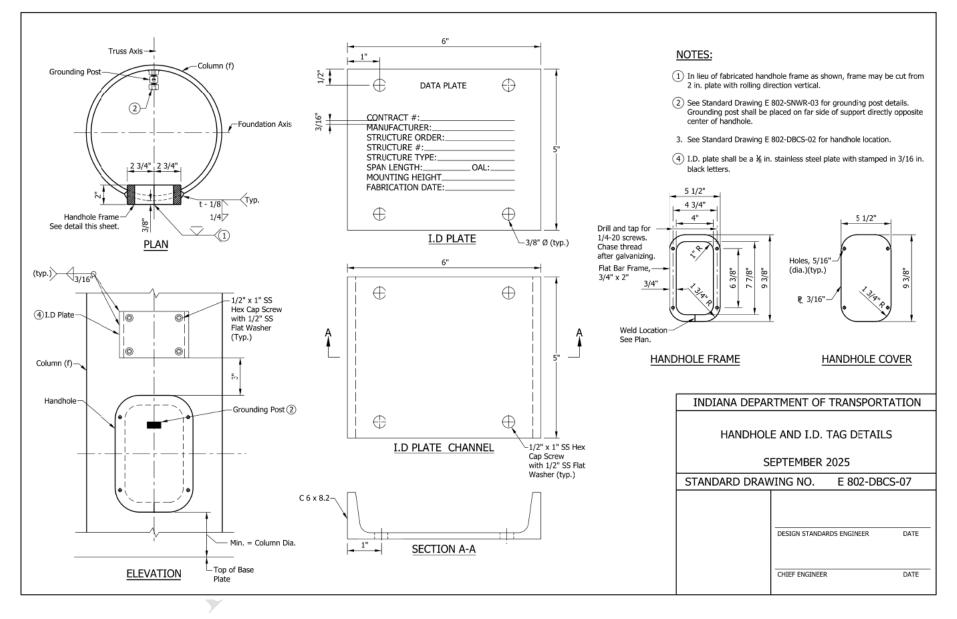
#### E 802-DBCS-05 Lower Chords Connection Details



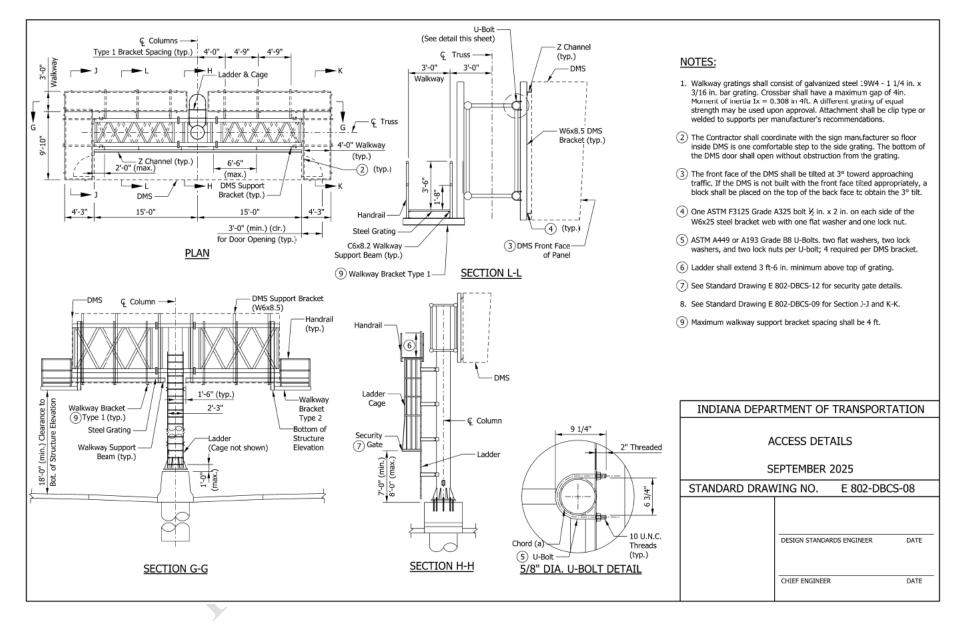
#### E 802-DBCS-06 Base Plate, Anchor Bolt, and Metal Skirt Details



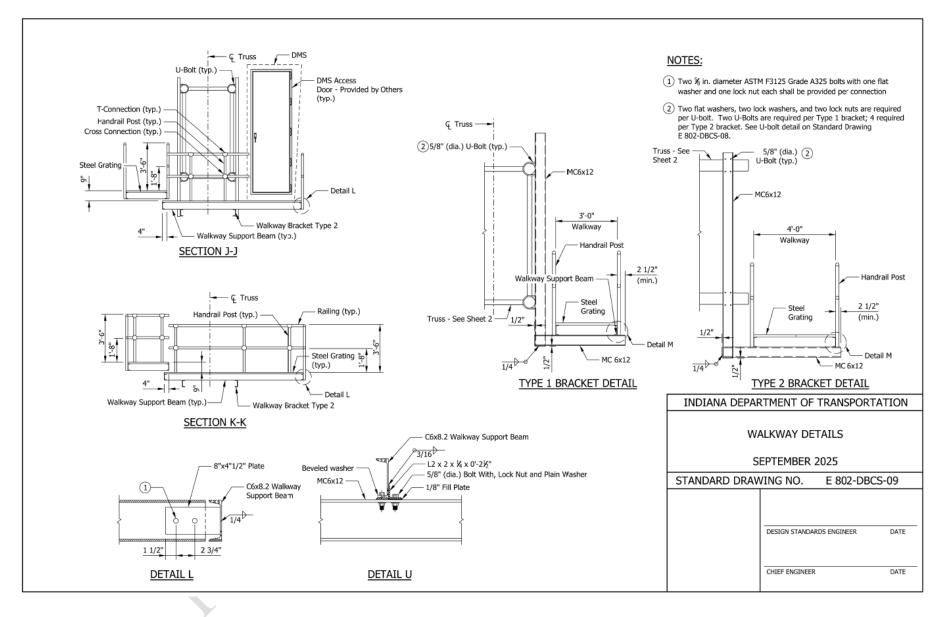
#### E 802-DBCS-07 Handhole and I.D. Tag Details



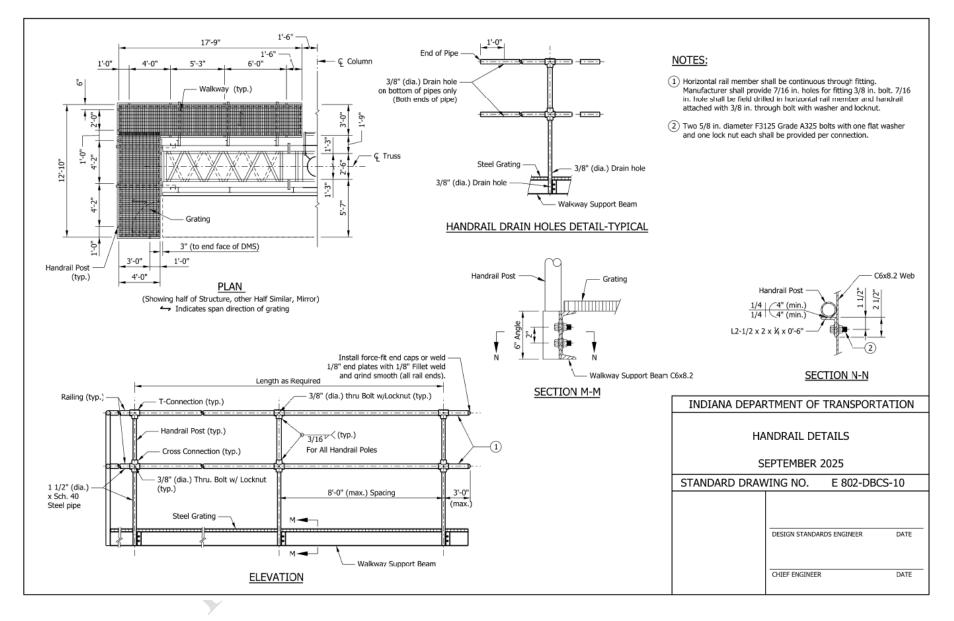
#### E 802-DBCS-08 Access Details



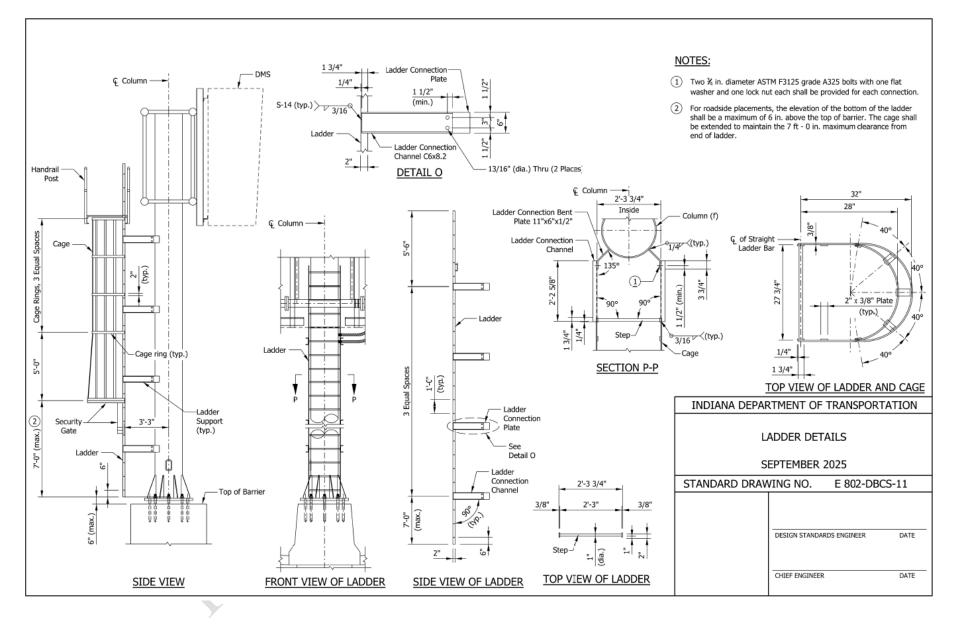
#### E 802-DBCS-09 Walkway Details



#### E 802-DBCS-10 Handrail Details



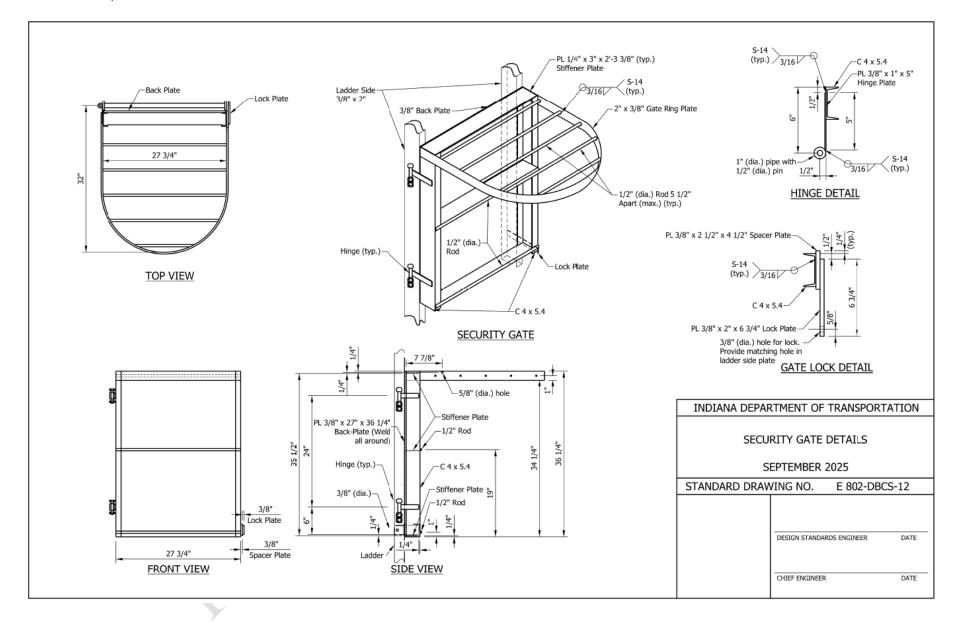
#### E 802-DBCS-11 Ladder Details



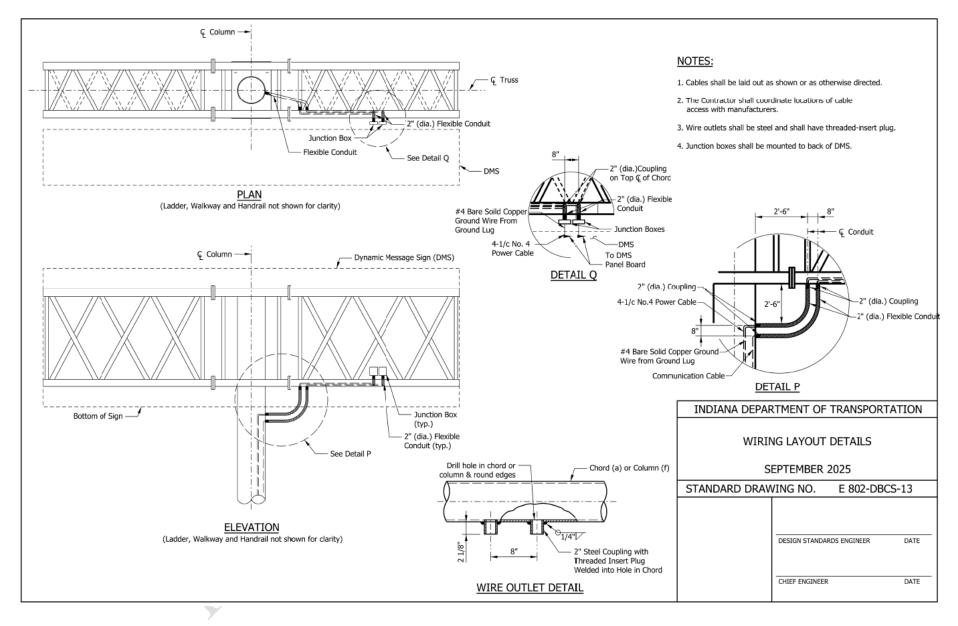
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#### REVISION TO 2024 STANDARD DRAWINGS

#### E 802-DBCS-12 Security Gate Details



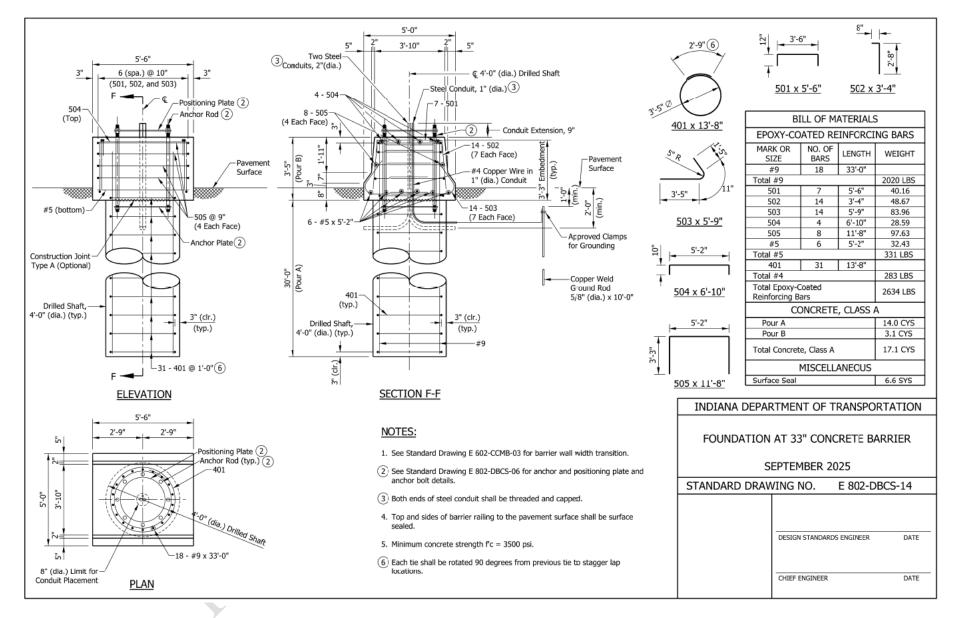
#### E 802-DBCS-13 Wiring Layout Details



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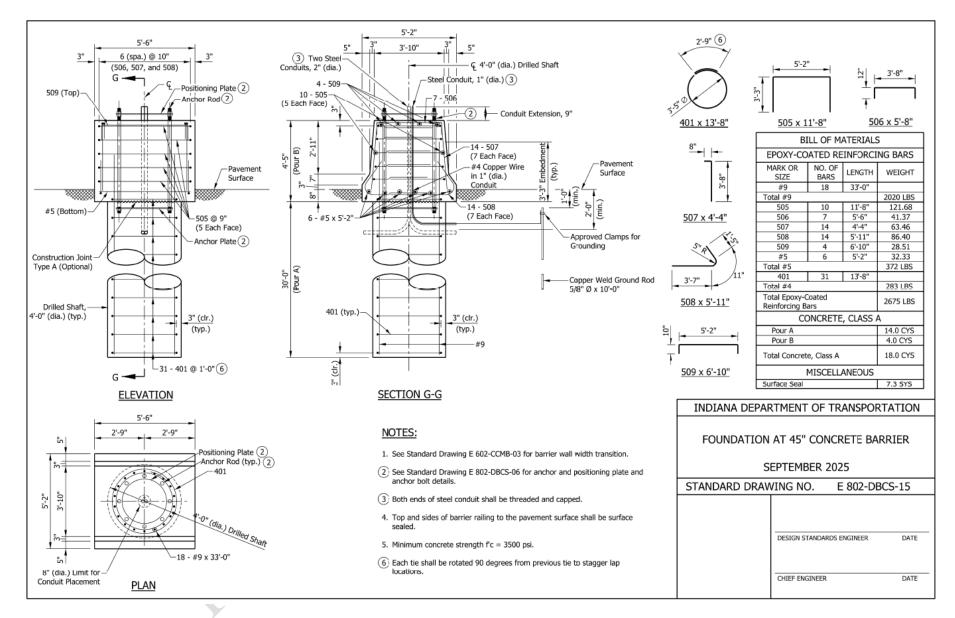
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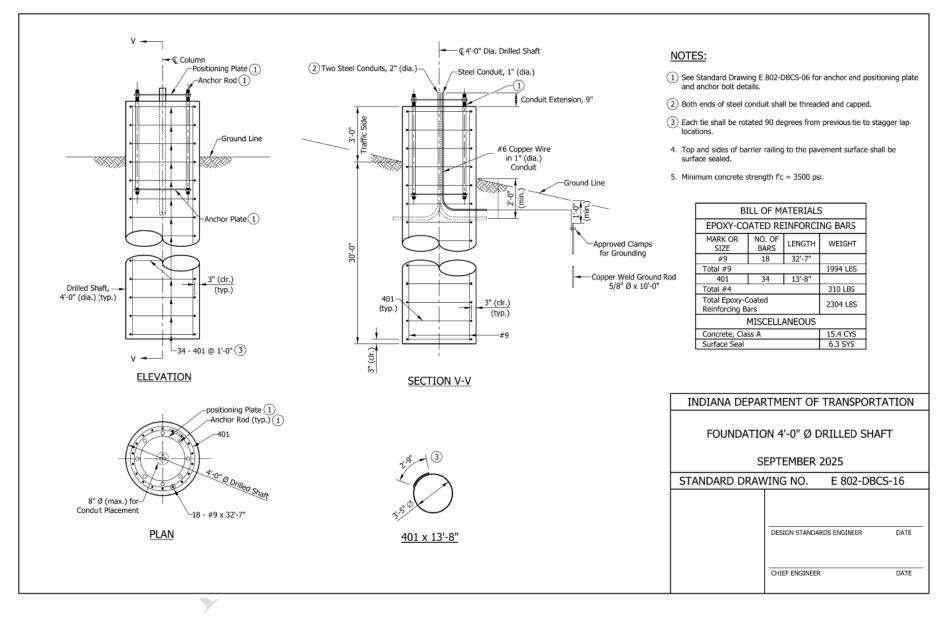
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#### **REVISION TO 2024 STANDARD DRAWINGS**

#### E 802-DBCS-15 Foundation at 45" Concrete Barrier



#### E 802-DBCS-16 Foundation 4'-0" Ø Drilled Shaft



# COMMENTS AND ACTION

E 802-DBCS-01 thru E 802-DBCS-16 (proposed new series)

# **DISCUSSION:**

This item was introduced and presented by Mr. Boruff who explained that to enhance motorist safety and operation, the agency plans to install permanent dynamic message signs at interstate interchanges to display real time and other pertinent travel information. There is currently not a standard for the structure to support this type of signing. The intention is to develop a new drawing series for Dynamic Message Butterfly Cantilever (802-DBCS) sign structures, as shown above.

Mr. Boruff withdrew this item pending further review by the applicable Subject Matter Experts.

Motion:	Action:
Second:	Devender Coloritated
Ayes:	Passed as Submitted
Nays:	Passed as Revised
FHWA Approval:	_ <mark>X</mark> _ Withdrawn
2024 Standard Specifications Sections:	2026 Standard Specifications
	Revise Pay Items List
Recurring Special Provisions or Plan	Notification to Designers if change is <u>not</u>
Details:	addressed by RSP
NONE	
	Create RSP (No)
Standard Drawing affected:	Effective:
NONE	
	Revise RSP (No)
Design Manual Chapter:	Effective:
NONE	
	Standard Drawing
GIFE Section:	Effective:
NONE	
	Create RPD (No)
7	Effective:
	GIFE Update
	Frequency Manual Update
	SiteManager Update

REVISION TO 2024 STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS

# PROPOSAL TO STANDARDS COMMITTEE

<u>PROBLEM(S) ENCOUNTERED</u>: The current specification for preformed expansion joint filler, PEJF, requires the water absorption be less than 1% as measured in accordance with ASTM C272. Contractors have indicated that materials meeting this requirement aren't readily available.

<u>PROPOSED SOLUTION</u>: Remove the water absorption requirement from 906.03 The current specification requires PEJF materials to be in accordance with ASTM C578, which already includes water absorption requirements that vary based on the grade of polystyrene used. This change will allow much greater material availability while still following the ASTM standard for polystyrene.

APPLICABLE STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS: 906.03

APPLICABLE STANDARD DRAWING: N/A

APPLICABLE DESIGN MANUAL CHAPTER: N/A

APPLICABLE SECTION OF GIFE: N/A

APPLICABLE RECURRING SPECIAL PROVISION OR PLAN DETAILS: N/A

PAY ITEMS AFFECTED: N/A

<u>APPLICABLE SUB-COMMITTEE ENDORSEMENT</u>: Ad hoc committee consisting of Jim Reilman, Aamir Turk, Sung Min (Sean) Yoon, and Pete White.

IF APPROVED AS RECURRING SPECIAL PROVISION OR PLAN DETAILS, PROPOSED BASIS FOR USE: Contracts containing 702 pay items.

IMPACT ANALYSIS (attach report):

Submitted By: Pete White

Title: Design Manager

Division: INDOT Bridge Engineering

E-mail: <u>pewhite@indot.in.gov</u>

Date: May 6, 2024

**REVISION TO 2024 STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS** 

# IMPACT ANALYSIS REPORT CHECKLIST

*Explain the business case as to why this item should be presented to the Standards Committee for approval. Answer the following questions with Yes, No or N/A.* 

Does this item appear in any other specification sections? No Will approval of this item affect the Qualified Products List (QPL)? No Will this proposal improve:

> <u>Construction costs?</u> No <u>Construction time?</u> No <u>Customer satisfaction?</u> No <u>Congestion/travel time?</u> No <u>Ride quality?</u> No

Will this proposal reduce operational costs or maintenance effort? No

Will this item improve safety:

<u>For motorists?</u> No <u>For construction workers?</u> No

Will this proposal improve quality for:

<u>Construction procedures/processes?</u> Yes <u>Asset preservation?</u> No <u>Design process?</u> No

Will this change provide the contractor more flexibility? Yes

Will this proposal provide clarification for the Contractor and field personnel? Yes

Can this item improve/reduce the number of potential change orders? No

Is this proposal needed for compliance with:

<u>Federal or State regulations?</u>No <u>AASHTO or other design code?</u>No

Is this item editorial? No

<u>Provide any further information as to why this proposal should be placed on the Standards Committee</u> <u>meeting Agenda:</u> **REVISION TO 2024 STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS** 

SECTION 906 – JOINT MATERIALS 906.03 Preformed Expansion Joint Filler

(Note: Proposed changes shown highlighted gray)

The Standard Specifications are revised as follows:

SECTION 906, BEGIN LINE 111, DELETE AS FOLLOWS:

# 906.03 Preformed Expansion Joint Filler

Preformed expansion joint filler, PEJF, shall be preformed materials intended to be used at bridge component interfaces that are not required to be watertight. PEJF shall be either extruded polystyrene, XPS, or expanded polystyrene, EPS in accordance with ASTM C578. The compressive resistance shall be less than 40 psi, as measured in accordance with ASTM D1621. Water absorption shall be less than 1%, as measured in accordance with ASTM C272. PEJF will be by accepted by visual inspection.

# COMMENTS AND ACTION

906.03 Preformed Expansion Joint Filler

# **DISCUSSION:**

Mr. White introduced and presented this item stating that the current specification for preformed expansion joint filler, PEJF, requires the water absorption be less than 1% as measured in accordance with ASTM C272. Contractors have indicated that materials meeting this requirement aren't readily available.

Mr. White proposed to remove the water absorption requirement from 906.03 The current specification requires PEJF materials to be in accordance with ASTM C578, which already includes water absorption requirements that vary based on the grade of polystyrene used. This change will allow much greater material availability while still following the ASTM standard for polystyrene.

Mr. Golkhajeh asked about the water absorption of the material. Mr. White responded that this revision should have no effect in relation to what we've used in the past.

There was no further discussion and this item passed as submitted.

Motion: Mr. White Second: Mr. Reilman Ayes: 10 Nays: 0 FHWA Approval: <mark>YES</mark>	Action: <u>X</u> Passed as Submitted Passed as Revised Withdrawn
2024 Standard Specifications Sections: 906.03 pg. 1022. Recurring Special Provisions or Plan	<ul> <li><u>X</u> 2026 Standard Specifications</li> <li>Revise Pay Items List</li> <li>Notification to Designers if change is <u>not</u> addressed by RSP</li> </ul>
Details: NONE Standard Drawing affected:	Create RSP (No) Effective:
NONE Design Manual Chapter:	Revise RSP (No) Effective:
NONE GIFE Section:	Standard Drawing Effective:
NONE	Create RPD (No) Effective:
	<ul> <li>GIFE Update</li> <li>Frequency Manual Update</li> <li>SiteManager Update</li> </ul>

REVISION TO 2024 STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS

# PROPOSAL TO STANDARDS COMMITTEE

<u>PROBLEM(S) ENCOUNTERED</u>: The requirement to have a water-reducing admixture in Class A concrete is no longer relevant as the chemistry in Type 1L cement along with emerging technology in current admixtures is changing.

<u>PROPOSED SOLUTION:</u> Remove requirement for a water-reducing admixture in Class A concrete, as stated in section 702.5.

APPLICABLE STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS: 702.05 and 702.07

APPLICABLE STANDARD DRAWINGS: none

APPLICABLE DESIGN MANUAL SECTION: none

APPLICABLE SECTION OF GIFE: none

APPLICABLE RECURRING SPECIAL PROVISIONS: none

PAY ITEMS AFFECTED: none

APPLICABLE SUB-COMMITTEE ENDORSEMENT: INDOT-IRMCA Working Committee

IF APPROVED AS RECURRING SPECIAL PROVISION OR PLAN DETAILS, PROPOSED BASIS FOR USE: Required for all contracts, except mowing, herbicide, sweeping, light bulb replacement, or tree removal/trimming.

IMPACT ANALYSIS (attach report):

Submitted By: Jim Reilman

Title: State Materials Engineer

Organization: INDOT

Phone Number: (317) 522-9692

Date: 5/13/2024

**REVISION TO 2024 STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS** 

# **IMPACT ANALYSIS REPORT CHECKLIST**

*Explain the business case as to why this item should be presented to the Standards Committee for approval. Answer the following questions with Yes, No or N/A.* 

Does this item appear in any other specification sections? No Will approval of this item affect the Approved Materials List? No Will this proposal improve:

Construction costs? N/A

Construction time? N/A

Customer satisfaction? N/A

Congestion/travel time? N/A

Ride quality? N/A

Will this proposal reduce operational costs or maintenance effort? N/A

Will this item improve safety:

For motorists? N/A

For construction workers? N/A

Will this proposal improve quality for:

Construction procedures/processes? Yes

Asset preservation? N/A

Design process? N/A

Will this change provide the contractor more flexibility? Yes

Will this proposal provide clarification for the Contractor and field personnel? Yes

Can this item improve/reduce the number of potential change orders? N/A

Is this proposal needed for compliance with:

Federal or State regulations? No

AASHTO or other design code? No

Is this item editorial? No

<u>Provide any further information as to why this proposal should be placed on the Standards Committee</u> <u>meeting Agenda:</u> **REVISION TO 2024 STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS** 

SECTION 702 – STRUCTURAL CONCRETE 702.05 Proportioning 702.07 Mixing

(Note: Proposed changes shown highlighted gray)

The Standard Specifications are revised as follows:

SECTION 702, BEGIN LINE 141, DELETE AS FOLLOWS:

Class A concrete shall contain a water-reducing admixture. Class C concrete shall contain a retarding admixture when either the air temperature is above 70°F or the concrete temperature is above 80°F, or if retardation is required due to the structure design, or due to the proposed pour sequence such as for the requirements for floor slab pours set out in 704.04. Air-entraining cements will not be allowed in class C concrete.

SECTION 702, BEGIN LINE 247, DELETE AS FOLLOWS:

Concrete that is outside the specified slump limits at time of placement shall not be used. Except as required in 702.05 for <del>class A and</del> class C concrete, chemical admixtures Type A, Type B, Type D, Type F, and Type G may be used in the concrete. Chemical admixtures Type C and Type E will be allowed only with prior written permission.

# COMMENTS AND ACTION

702.05 Proportioning 702.07 Mixing

## DISCUSSION:

This item was introduced and presented by Mr. Reilman who stated that the requirement to have a water-reducing admixture in Class A concrete is no longer relevant as the chemistry in Type 1L cement along with emerging technology in current admixtures is changing.

Mr. Reilman proposed to remove the requirement for a water-reducing admixture in Class A concrete, as stated in 702.5.

There was no further discussion and this item passed as submitted.

Motion: Mr. Reilman Second: Mr. White Ayes: 10 Nays: 0 FHWA Approval: <mark>YES</mark>	Action: <u>X</u> Passed as Submitted Passed as Revised Withdrawn
2024 Standard Specifications Sections: 702.05 pg. 621 and 702.07 pg. 624. Recurring Special Provisions or Plan Details:	<ul> <li>X 2026 Standard Specifications</li> <li>Revise Pay Items List</li> <li>Notification to Designers if change is not addressed by RSP</li> </ul>
NONE	_ <mark>X</mark> _ Create RSP (No. <u>702-R-xxx</u> ) Effective: <u>December 1, 2024</u>
Standard Drawing affected: NONE Design Manual Chapter:	Revise RSP (No) Effective:
NÓNE	Standard Drawing Effective:
GIFE Section: NONE	Create RPD (No) Effective:
	<ul> <li>GIFE Update</li> <li>Frequency Manual Update</li> <li>SiteManager Update</li> </ul>

REVISION TO 2024 STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS

# PROPOSAL TO STANDARDS COMMITTEE

<u>PROBLEM(S) ENCOUNTERED:</u> It has come to our attention that crown vetch is included in the DNR **Terrestrial Plant Rule**, <u>https://www.in.gov/dnr/files/ep-terrestrial\_plant\_rule.pdf</u> as a species of invasive pests. This rule has made it illegal to sell, distribute, transport, or plant crown vetch since 2019. There are several references to planting crown vetch in 622.06 and 622.19 that should come out of the specs.

<u>PROPOSED SOLUTION:</u> Edit 622.06 to remove references to crown vetch and delete section 622.19 in its entirety.

APPLICABLE STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS: 622.06 and 622.19

APPLICABLE STANDARD DRAWING: None

APPLICABLE DESIGN MANUAL CHAPTER: None

APPLICABLE SECTION OF GIFE: None

APPLICABLE RECURRING SPECIAL PROVISION OR PLAN DETAILS: None

<u>PAY ITEMS AFFECTED:</u> Crown Vetch pay item has not been used since before the 2020 letting year.

APPLICABLE SUB-COMMITTEE ENDORSEMENT: ad hoc group of Tom Harris and Matt Kraushar.

IF APPROVED AS RECURRING SPECIAL PROVISION OR PLAN DETAILS, PROPOSED BASIS FOR USE: All contracts with a 622 pay item.

IMPACT ANALYSIS (attach report): Attached

Submitted By: Joe Novak

Title: State Construction Engineer

Division: Construction Management

E-mail: jnovak@indot.in.gov

Date: 6/3/2024

**REVISION TO 2024 STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS** 

# IMPACT ANALYSIS REPORT CHECKLIST

*Explain the business case as to why this item should be presented to the Standards Committee for approval. Answer the following questions with Yes, No or N/A.* 

<u>Does this item appear in any other specification sections?</u> No <u>Will approval of this item affect the Qualified Products List (QPL)?</u> No Will this proposal improve:

Construction costs?NoConstruction time?NoCustomer satisfaction?NoCongestion/travel time?NoRide quality?NO

Will this proposal reduce operational costs or maintenance effort? No

Will this item improve safety:

<u>For motorists?</u> No <u>For construction workers?</u> No

Will this proposal improve quality for:

<u>Construction procedures/processes?</u> No <u>Asset preservation?</u> No <u>Design process?</u> No

Will this change provide the contractor more flexibility? No

Will this proposal provide clarification for the Contractor and field personnel? Yes

Can this item improve/reduce the number of potential change orders? Yes

Is this proposal needed for compliance with:

<u>Federal or State regulations?</u> Yes AASHTO or other design code? No

Is this item editorial? No

<u>Provide any further information as to why this proposal should be placed on the Standards</u> <u>Committee meeting Agenda:</u> This change makes the SS consistent with the DNR **Terrestrial Plant Rule.**  **REVISION TO 2024 STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS** 

SECTION 622 – PLANTING TREES, SHRUBS, AND VINES 622.06 Planting Season 622.19 Crown Vetch Plants and Seedlings

#### (Note: Proposed changes shown highlighted gray)

The Standard Specifications are revised as follows:

SECTION 703, BEGIN LINE 99, DELETE AND INSERT AS FOLLOWS:

# 622.06 Planting Season

The planting season shall be from September 1 through the following May 25, with the exception that trees shall be planted from October 1 through the following April 15, provided that trees are dormant. Crown vetch plants and seedlings shall be planted only from April 15 through May 30, unless approved in writing. Bare rooted plants shall be planted only when the outside air temperature exceeds 35°F. Unless otherwise approved, deciduous plants, except those container grown, shall be dormant at the time they arrive at the work or storage site. Evergreens shall not have active terminal growth. At least 40% of the total number of balled and burlapped, and container grown plants, not including crown vetch plants, shall be planted from the beginning of the planting season through December 31. Bare root seedlings for wildlife habitat shall be planted from October 1 through the following April 30. Container grown seedlings for wildlife habitat shall be planted at any time.

SECTION 622, BEGIN LINE 371, DELETE AND INSERT AS FOLLOWS:

# 622.19 Crown Vetch Plants and SeedlingsBlank

The requirements of 622.09 and 622.18 will not apply to these items. Seedlings shall be fertilized as specified on the plans. Crown vetch plants and seedlings, including replacements, shall be watered as necessary to keep them in a living, healthy, and good growing condition.

On or about June 5, these items will be inspected. If it is estimated that 90% or more of the plan quantity of any individual item in a specific area is living, healthy, and in a good growing condition, replacements will not be required. If less than 90% are alive, healthy, and in a good growing condition, all items not meeting these requirements shall be replaced. Replacements shall be marked in the same manner as the original planting, except the markers shall be yellow.

# Replacement planting shall be accomplished prior to June 15.

A final inspection will be made on or about the following September 15. If it is estimated that 90% of the contract quantity of any individual item is living, healthy, and in a good growing condition, payment will be made for the contract quantity. If less than 90% meet these requirements, the pay quantity for the item will be established.

## COMMENTS AND ACTION

622.06 Planting Season 622.19 Crown Vetch Plants and Seedlings

# DISCUSSION:

Mr. Novak introduced and presented this item stating that it has come to our attention that crown vetch is included in the DNR Terrestrial Plant Rule as a species of invasive pests. This rule has made it illegal to sell, distribute, transport, or plant crown vetch since 2019. There are several references to planting crown vetch in 622.06 and 622.19 that should come out of the specs.

Mr. Novak proposed to edit 622.06 to remove references to crown vetch and delete section 622.19 in its entirety.

Ms. Mouser stated that the pay item for crown vetch was removed in 2019. Mr. Harris stated that it hadn't been used since 2006. But he can check and verify that.

There was no further discussion and this item passed as submitted.

Motion: Mr. Novak Second: Mr. Koch Ayes: 10 Nays: 0 FHWA Approval: <mark>YES</mark>	Action: <u>X</u> Passed as Submitted Passed as Revised Withdrawn
2024 Standard Specifications Sections: 622 pg. 576, 582. Recurring Special Provisions or Plan Details:	<ul> <li>2026 Standard Specifications</li> <li>Revise Pay Items List</li> <li>Notification to Designers if change is not addressed by RSP</li> </ul>
NONE	Create RSP (No) Effective:
Standard Drawing affected: NONE Design Manual Chapter:	Revise RSP (No) Effective:
NONE	Standard Drawing Effective:
GIFE Section: NONE	Create RPD (No) Effective:
	<ul> <li>GIFE Update</li> <li>Frequency Manual Update</li> <li>SiteManager Update</li> </ul>