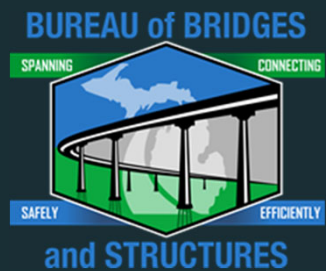




# 2023 Michigan Bridge Week

MDOT Bureau of Bridges  
and Structures Update



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WHO WE ARE, WHAT WE DO

# OUR MISSION



SERVING AND CONNECTING PEOPLE, COMMUNITIES, AND THE ECONOMY THROUGH TRANSPORTATION.

WHAT WE STAND FOR

# OUR VALUES



## VISIONARY

Anticipate, imagine, and implement creative solutions.



## ENSURING POSITIVE OUTCOMES

Collaborate, align, and deliver results.



## PEOPLE FIRST

Value others, set clear expectations, and show appreciation and gratitude.



## PROFESSIONAL EXCELLENCE

Know your role, act timely, and continuously learn and share.



## DIVERSITY, EQUITY, AND INCLUSION

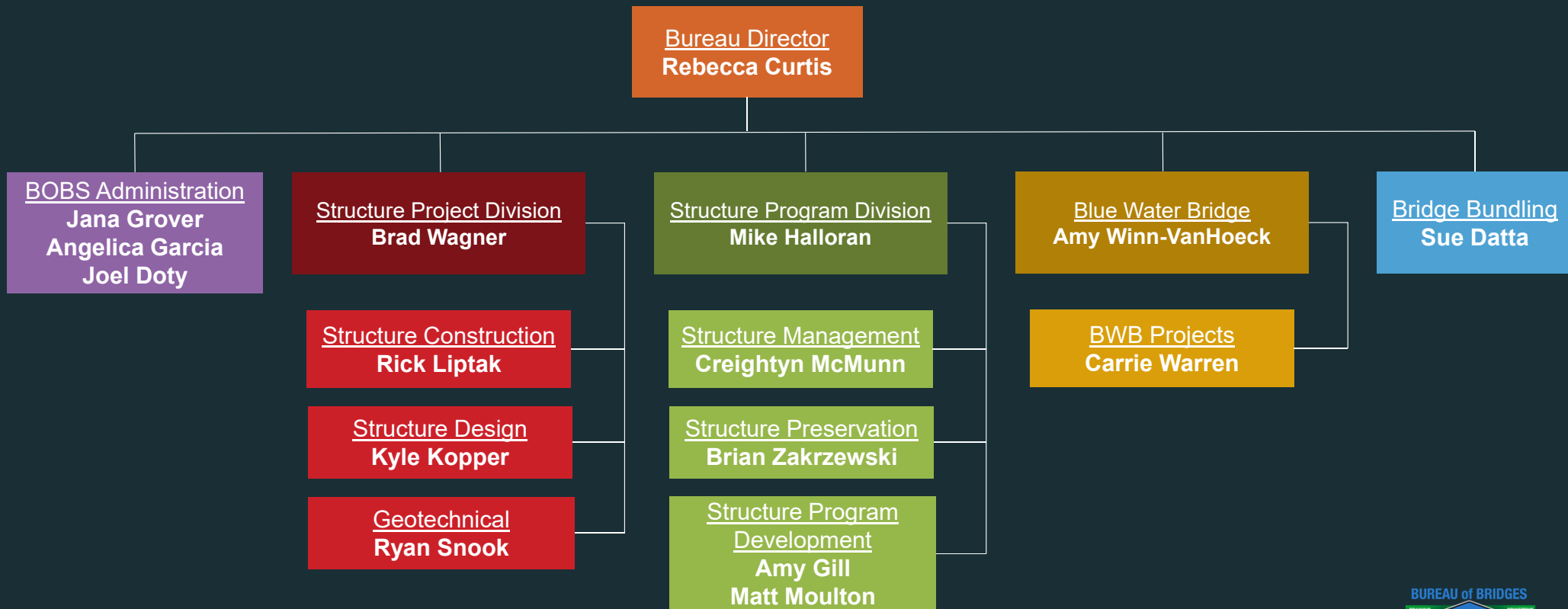
Value all people, seek to understand, and be open to all voices.



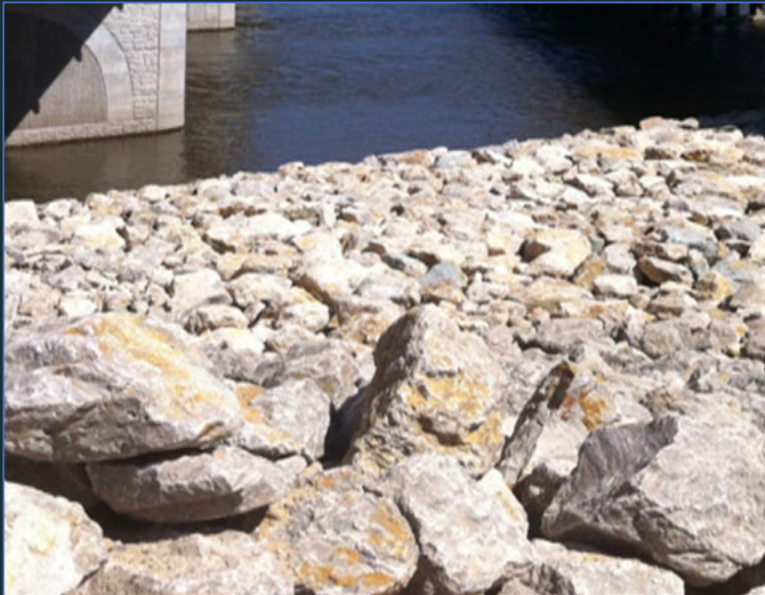
## CHARACTER AND INTEGRITY

Be honest, fair, and trustworthy.

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# Riprap Challenges



## Checklist for riprap

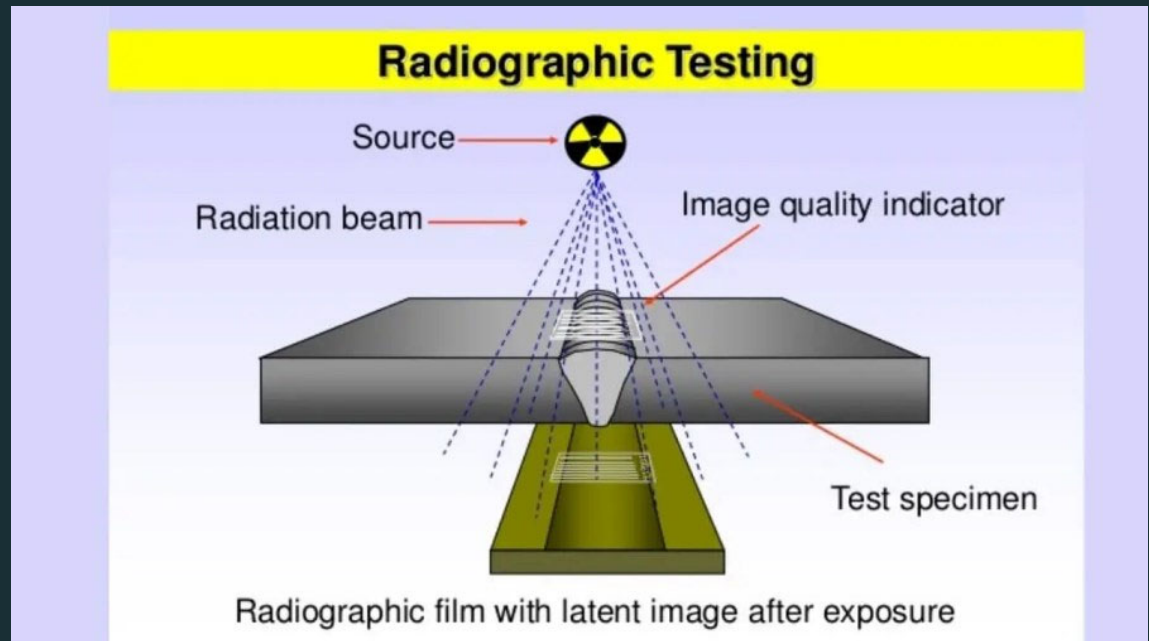
1. Is there a special provision in the proposal for RIPRAP, SPECIAL? If so, answer the questions a thru c
  - a. Does the riprap have a 2.5 minimum bulk dry specific gravity \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. Does riprap have a 2.5 percent maximum 24 hour soak absorption in accordance with ASTM D6473? \_\_\_\_\_
  - c. The weight loss in 5 cycles by use of sulfate soundness testing must not exceed 10 percent in accordance with ASTM D 5240 \_\_\_\_\_
2. Has the riprap gradation been determined using the Wolman Count, according to Federal Lands Highway Standard Test Method TDC1-137? \_\_\_\_\_
3. Has riprap been checked at the pit to make sure the riprap is the correct size? \_\_\_\_\_
4. Has riprap been checked when received on the project to make sure riprap did not breakdown between the quarry and the project site? \_\_\_\_\_
5. Does the non-woven geotextile liner meet standard specifications requirements. **Woven geotextile is not allowed to be used.** \_\_\_\_\_
6. Is the non-woven geotextile liner being overlapped at least 2 feet? \_\_\_\_\_
7. Is the non-woven geotextile liner shingle lapped with the water runoff? \_\_\_\_\_
8. Is the non-woven geotextile liner being wrapped around as shown on the plans \_\_\_\_\_
9. Is the riprap that is being placed free of any soil, crushed concrete, or other contamination? \_\_\_\_\_
10. Is the contractor filling the voids between the rocks placed with smaller rocks to ensure a uniform layer? \_\_\_\_\_
11. Is the depth of the riprap the correct depth throughout the placement as shown on the plans? \_\_\_\_\_
12. Are the side headers and toe headers built according to the plan details? \_\_\_\_\_
13. Riprap elevations (Part 31 of PA 451 compliance):
  - a. Is the top of riprap set at or below the existing streambed/slope elevation? \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. Is the riprap placement for filling in scour holes, as designated on plans (and compliant with the EGLE permit)? \_\_\_\_\_



# Radiographic Testing



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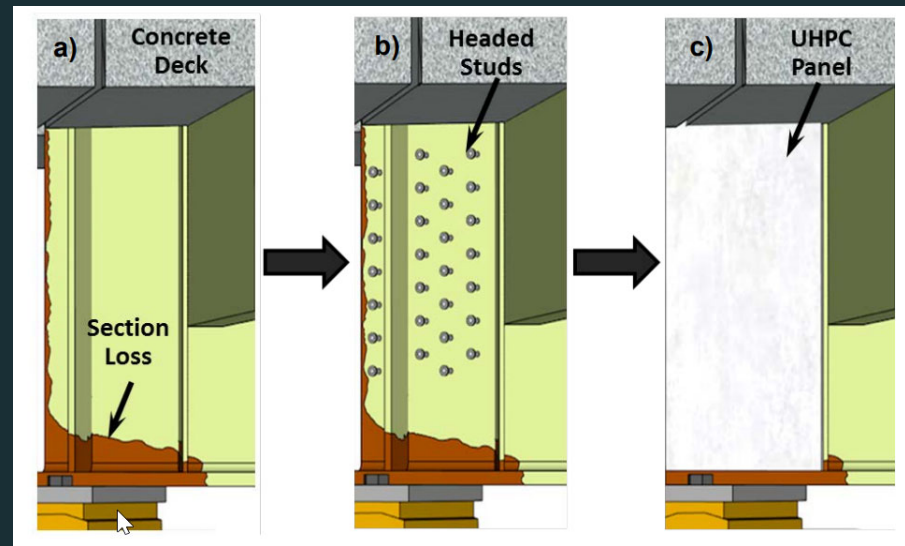
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# Salvaging Shear Studs

- Goal is to reduce risk of damage to beam top flange
- Stud shear developers have remaining life when replacing the deck and are generally able to be salvaged
- After a pilot project, we are moving in the direction of salvaging studs as the standard



# UHPC Beam End Repairs



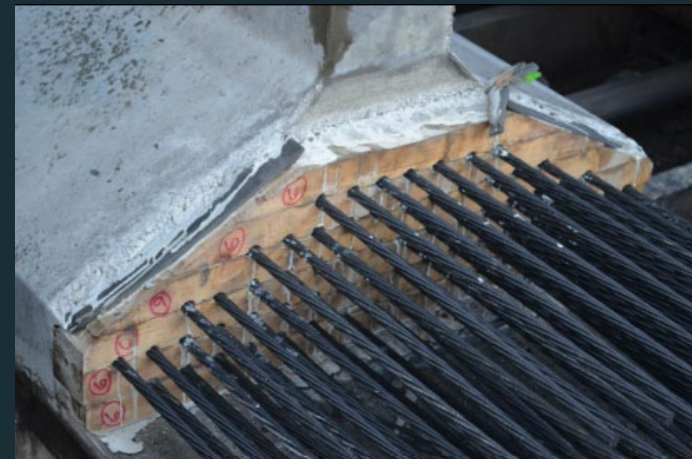
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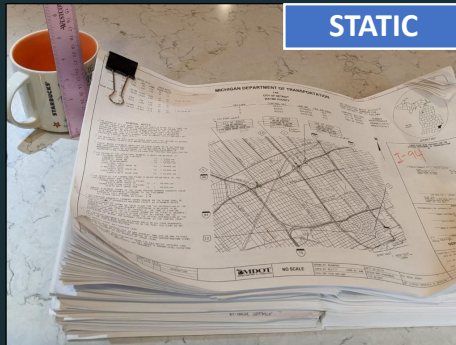
# CFRP Prestressing



Third project using 0.7" strands will be let this year.



# Bridge Model Delivery Pilot



- Design info in model
- Dynamic Views
- Saved Views
- Annotations
- Supplemental Documents



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# Geosynthetic Reinforced Soil

- 20% Cost Savings for recent projects
- Potential Sites:
  - Grade Separations
  - Some Water Crossings
  - Competent Foundation Soils
  - Traffic Can Be Detoured
  - Groundwater is not Shallow

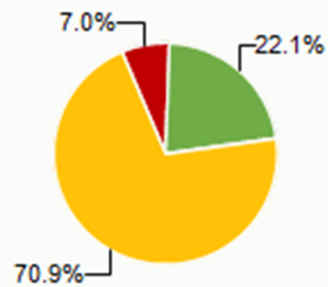


Geotechnical

# National Performance Measure Update

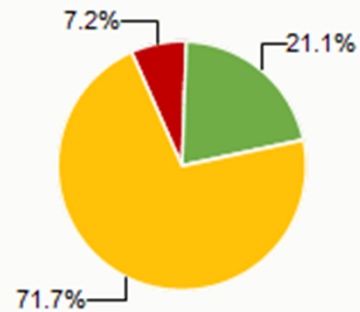
## BASELINE NHS

Percent by Deck Area



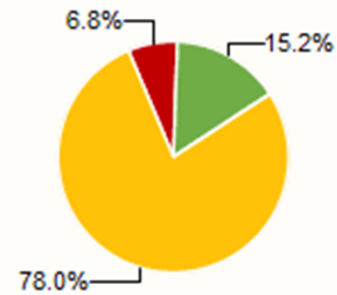
## MDOT Only NHS

Percent by Deck Area



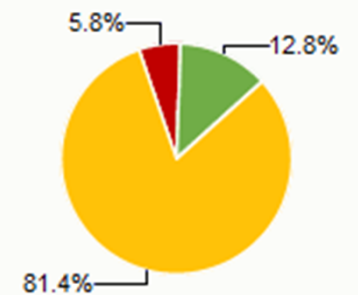
## 2 Year NHS Projected

Percent by Deck Area



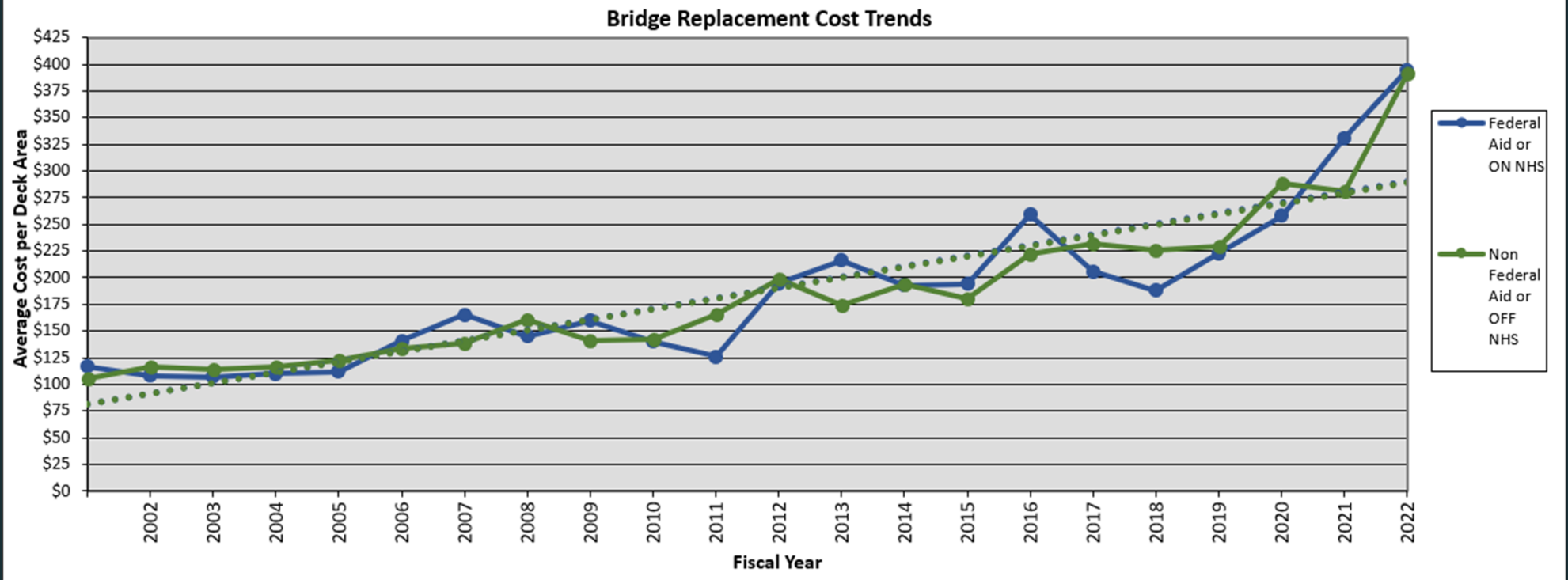
## 4 Year NHS Projected

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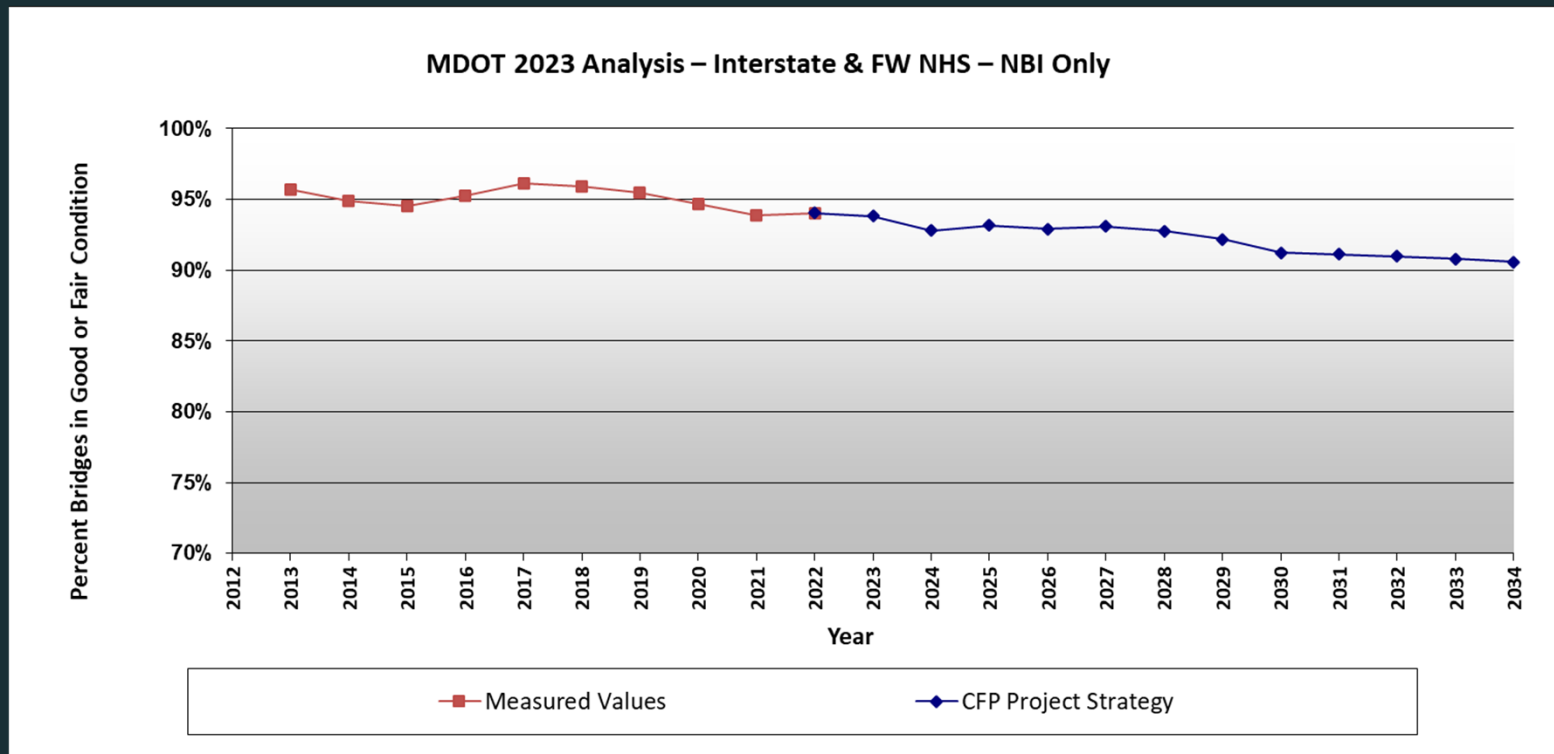
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# Federal Bridge Replacement Cost Data



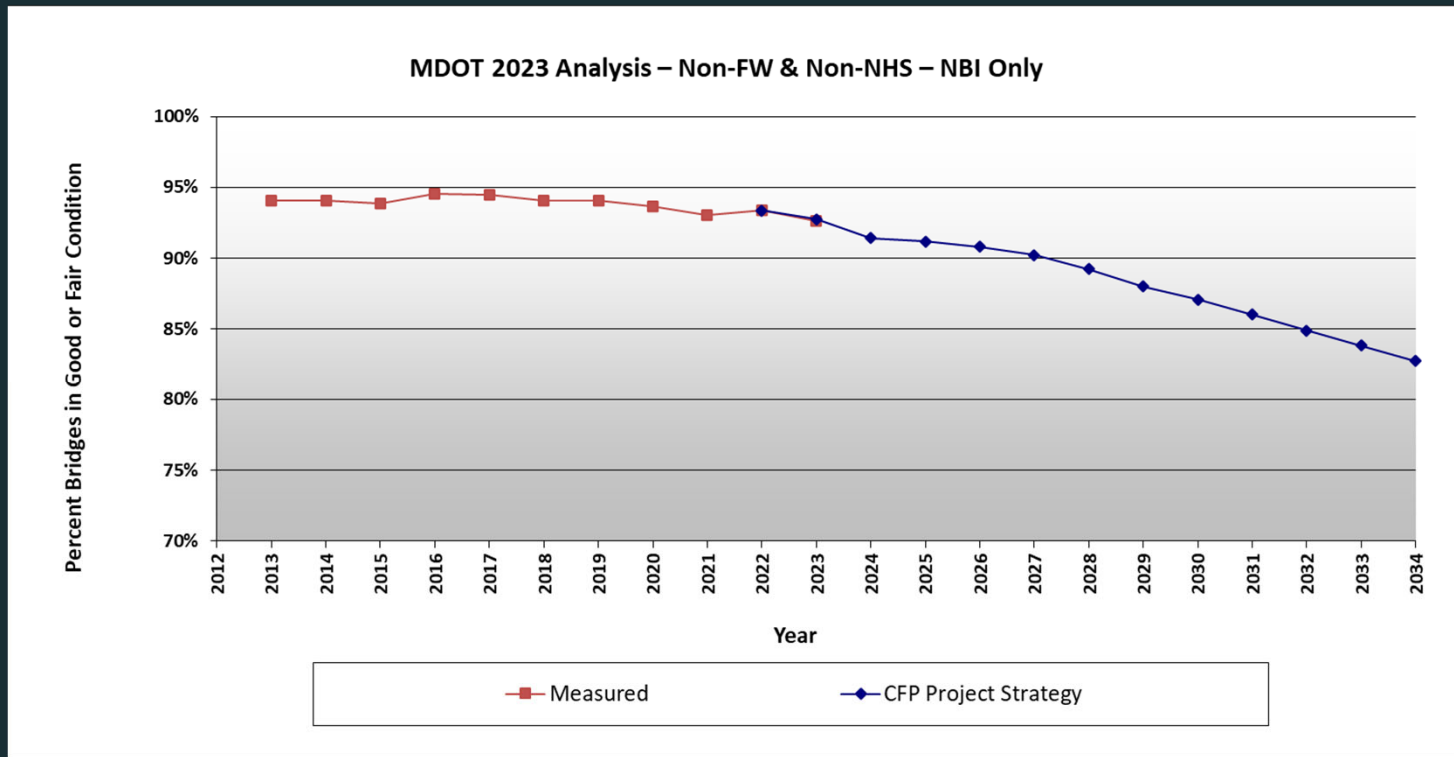
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# Trunkline Bridge Condition - Freeway

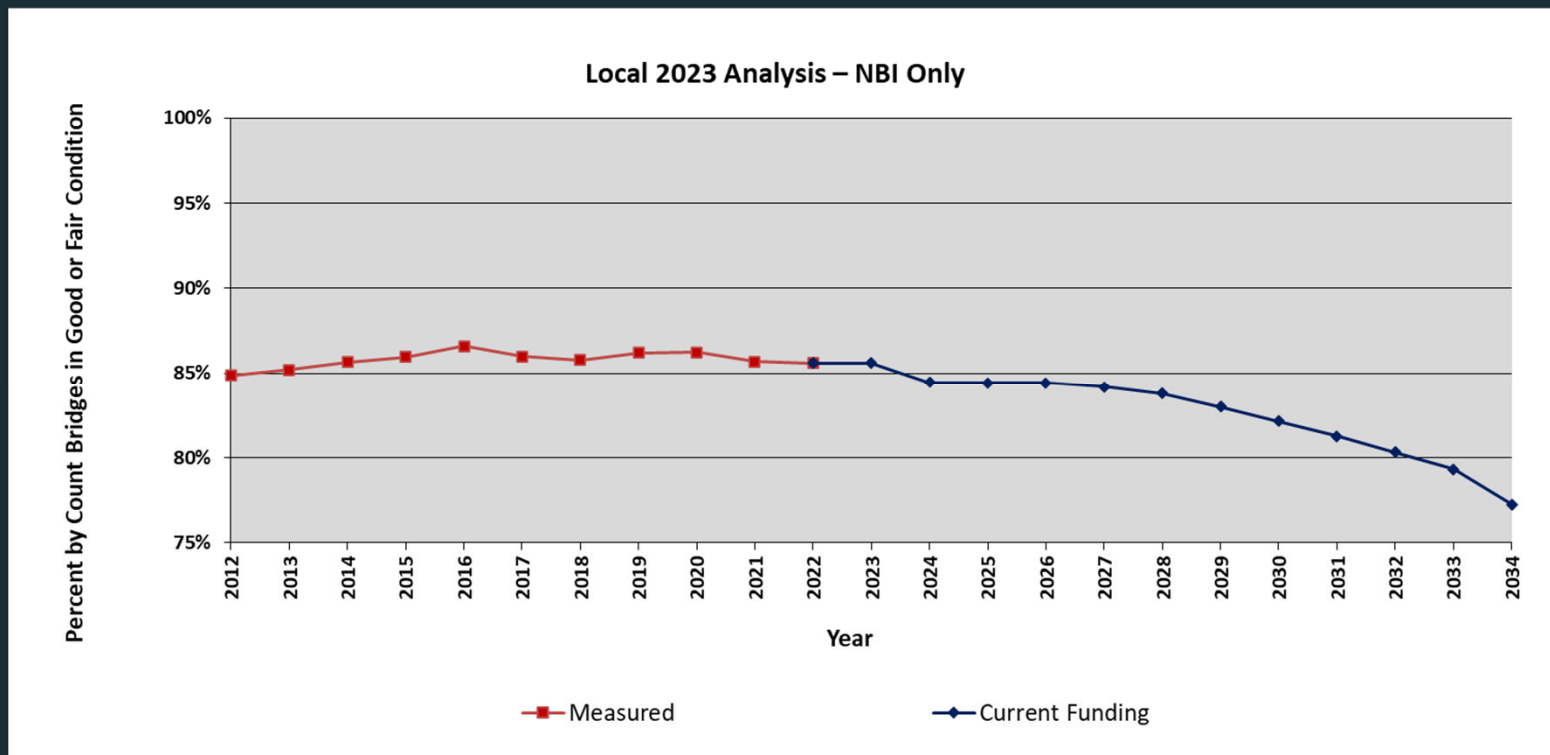


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# Trunkline Bridge Condition – Non-Freeway



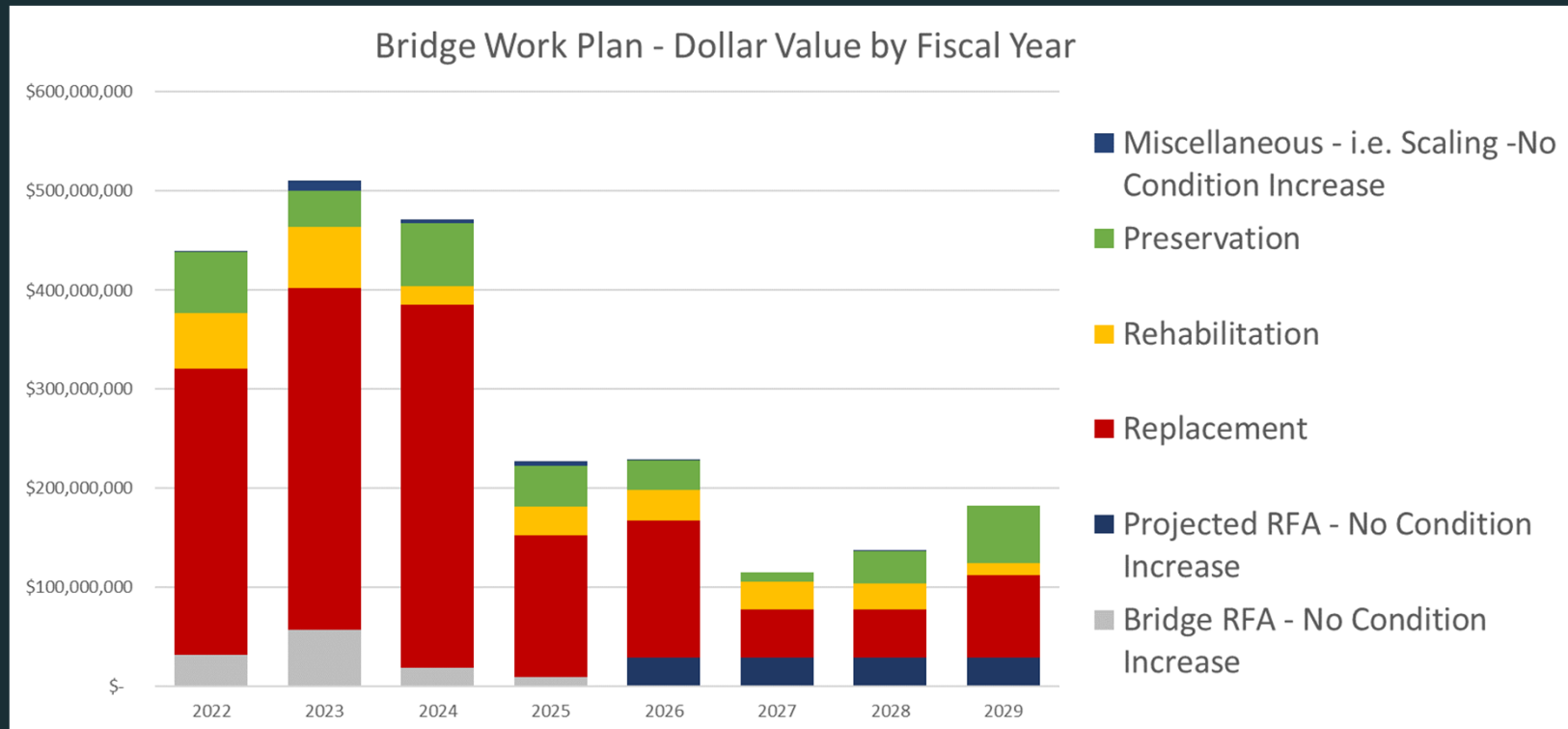
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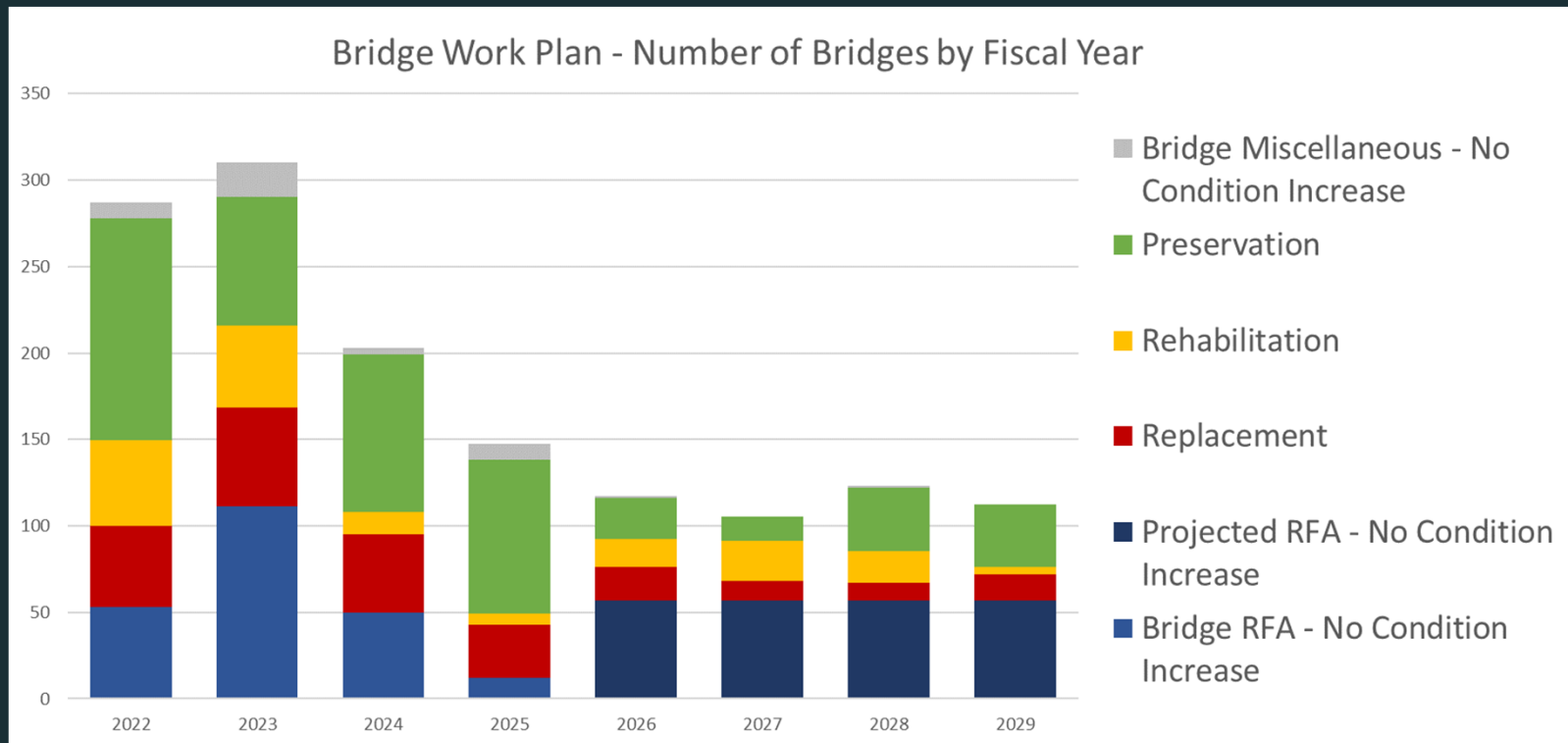


# Trunkline Bridge Investment



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# Trunkline Bridge Projects



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# Bridge Scoping Estimates

<u>WORK ACTIVITY</u>	<u>2022 UNIT COST</u>	<u>2023 UNIT COST</u>	<u>% Change</u>
<b>NEW BRIDGE</b>			
Single or Multiple Spans, Grade Separation	\$330.00 /SFT	\$415.00 /SFT	26%
Single Span, Over Water	\$450.00 /SFT	\$500.00 /SFT	11%
Multiple Spans, Over Water	\$330.00 /SFT	\$450.00 /SFT	36%
Precast Culvert	\$490.00 /SFT	\$540.00 /SFT	10%
<b>NEW SUPERSTRUCTURE</b>			
New Superstructure, Grade Separation	\$225.00 /SFT	\$295.00 /SFT	31%
New Superstructure, Over Water	\$225.00 /SFT	\$300.00 /SFT	33%
<b>WIDENING</b>			
Structure Widening, _____ ft	\$550.00 /SFT	\$630.00 /SFT	15%
<b>NEW DECK</b>			
New Bridge Deck & Barrier	\$120.00 /SFT	\$150.00 /SFT	25%
<b>DEMOLITION</b>			
Entire Structure, Grade Separation	\$65.00 /SFT	\$75.00 /SFT	15%
Entire Structure, Over Water	\$65.00 /SFT	\$95.00 /SFT	46%
<b>DECK REPAIR / TREATMENTS</b>			
Bridge Railing Replacement	\$600.00 /FT	\$750.00 /FT	25%
Healer / Sealer	\$16.00 /SYD	\$30.00 /SYD	88%
<b>SUPERSTRUCTURE REPAIR</b>			
Heat Straightening	\$45,000.00 EA	\$57,000.00 EA	27%
Pack Rust Repair	\$850.00 /FT	\$1,150.00 /FT	35%
Pin & Hanger Replacement	\$13,000.00 EA	\$17,000.00 EA	31%
<b>SUBSTRUCTURE REPAIR</b>			
Temporary Supports	\$3,000.00 EA	\$4,000.00 EA	33%
<b>MISCELLANEOUS</b>			
Concrete Surface Coating	\$32.00 /SYD	\$47.00 /SYD	47%

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# Specifications for the National Bridge Inventory (SNBI)

## Overview of the SNBI

- Replaces the SI&A Coding Guide
- Provides details for reporting highway bridge data to the NBI
- Data used by FHWA to ensure highway bridge safety, aid in emergency response, and administer a risk-based, data driven, performance management program

## Implementation Timeline

Target Date	Action
March 2025	Last SI&A Coding Guide submittal
April 2025	Begin collecting data per the SNBI
March 2028	First complete SNBI data submittal

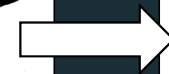
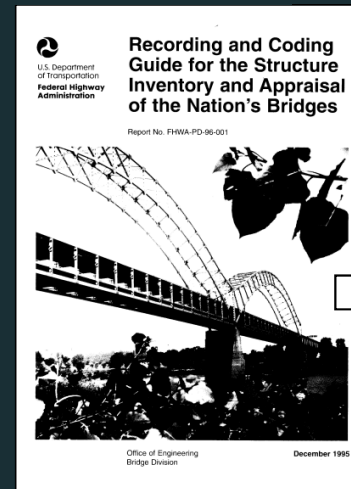
# SNBI Data Entry

## 154 total SNBI items

- 54 new items
- 20 discontinued items

## SNBI Frequency Categories

- Initial, Each Inspection, Calculated
- 113 items collected during initial inspection



NPRM Cost Response	MDOT Estimate for Local Agencies
1 Hour – 10 Hours per bridge	4 Hours per bridge <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Field: Add 1 hour</li> <li>• File/Office: Add 3 hours</li> </ul>
\$40 - \$100 per hour	\$100 per hour
\$234 per bridge	\$400 per LA bridge

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# SNBI Data Entry

## Data entered by Bridge Owners

- Section 1: Bridge Identification
- Section 2: Bridge Material & Type
- Section 3: Bridge Geometry
- Section 4: Features
- Section 5: Loads, Load Rating & Posting

## Data entered by Bridge Inspectors

- Section 6: Inspections
- Section 7: Condition data

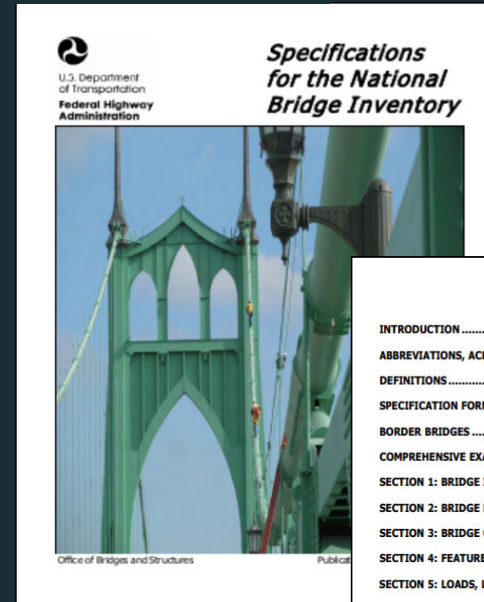


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# Load Rating Resources



CTT:  
<http://loadrating.michiganltap.org/>



MDOT:  
<https://www.michigan.gov/mdot/programs/bridges-and-structures/structure-preservation-and-management/load-rating>



FHWA:  
<https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/bridge/loadrating>

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## National Bridge Inspection Standards 2022 **NEW!**

- Final Rule
  - Memorandum – NBIS Final Rule (.pdf)
  - Recording – Overview of the NBIS Final Rule and SNBI (Passcode: 415@=q03)
  - Slide Presentation – Overview of the NBIS Final Rule and SNBI (.pdf)
- Side-by-Side Comparison Between the Previous Regulation and the Final Rule (.pdf)
- Specifications for the National Bridge Inventory (SNBI)
  - Memorandum - Implementation of the Specifications for the National Bridge Inventory (.pdf)
- Questions and Answers on the NBIS 2022 (coming soon)
- Anticipated Timeline for Implementation of the May 6, 2022 National Bridge Inspection Standards Final Rule (.pdf)
- Memorandum – Inspection of Nonredundant Steel Tension Members (.pdf)
- Memorandum – Inspection Interval Guidance (.pdf)
- Memorandum – Approval of Alternate Bridge Inspection Training Courses (.pdf)
  - Course-specific checklists for NBIS alternate training requirements (coming soon)

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<https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/bridge/nbis2022.cfm>

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# Bridge Preservation

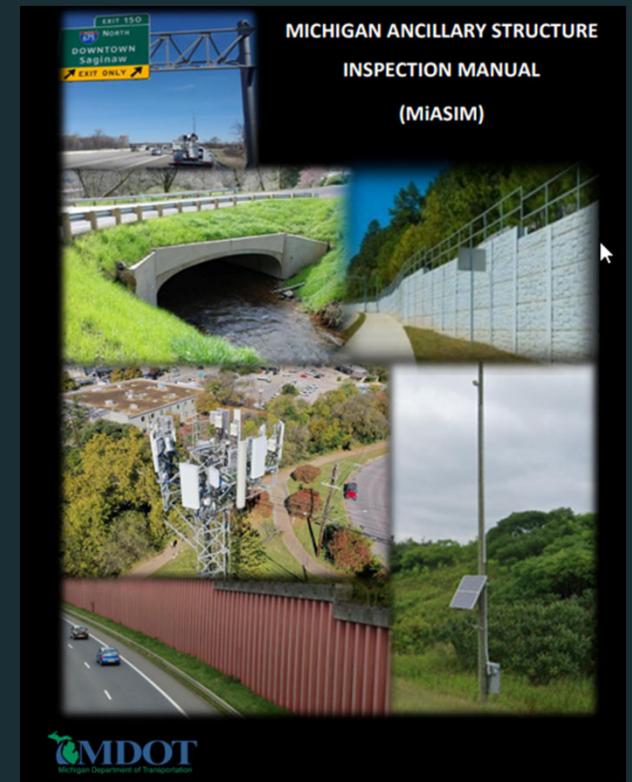


Structure Preservation

# Ancillary Structures Asset Management Program

## Key Accomplishments to Date

- Developed database framework
- Inspected 27% of culvert assets
- Inspected 58% of retaining walls, 70% sign structures
- Released draft Michigan Ancillary Structures Inspection Manual (MiASIM)
- Developed an RFA Process



# Ancillary Structures Asset Management Program

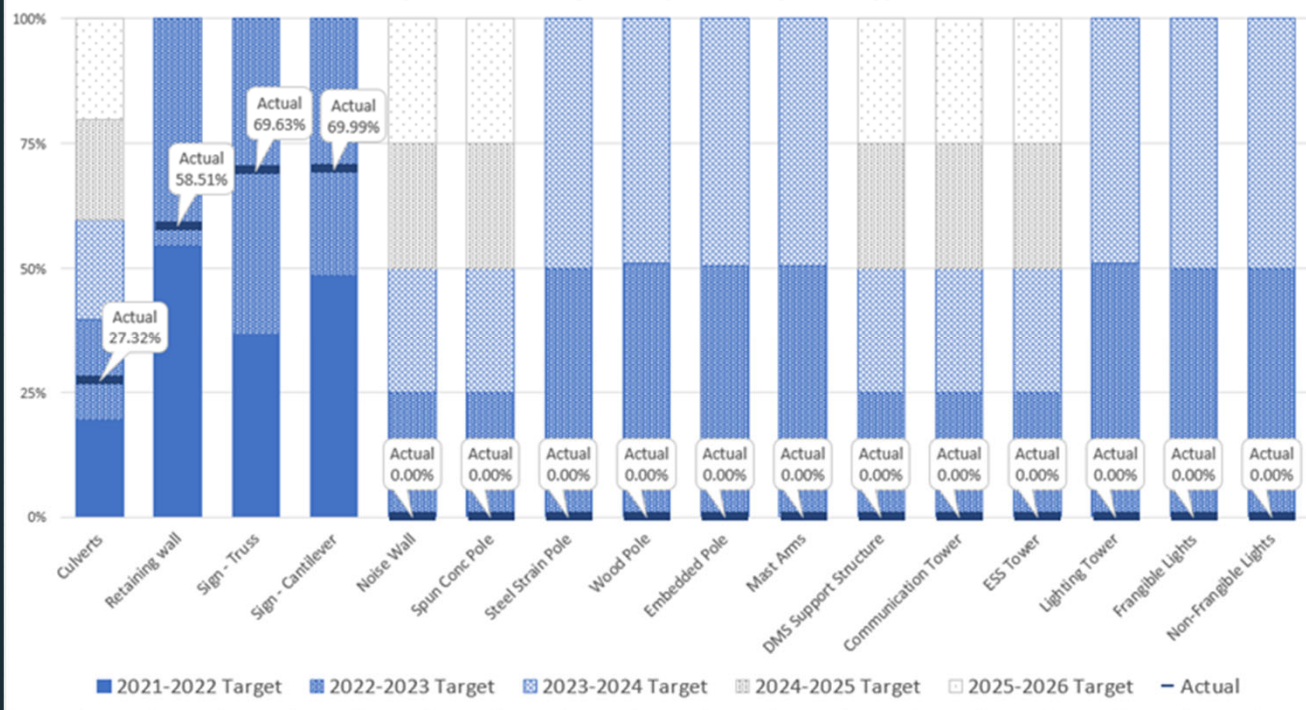
## Key Accomplishments to Date

- Updated standards to LRFD for October 2023 letting (and various other updates)
- Completed culvert scoping reports and a culvert design project
- Completed an emergency retaining wall design project
- Established steering committee



# Ancillary Structures Asset Management Program

Ancillary Structures Program Inspections By Asset Type and Year



## Near Term Goals

- Roll out inspections of remaining 12 asset types by May 2023
- Transition to AASHTOWare BrM Framework
- Implement asset labeling system

# January 2023 Public Involvement Open House

## Need for robust outreach:

- Long, controversial project history
- Recent inaccurate press
- Trust issues with stakeholders

## Strategies:

- Mass mailing
- Door hangers
- Press releases/media outreach
- Social media



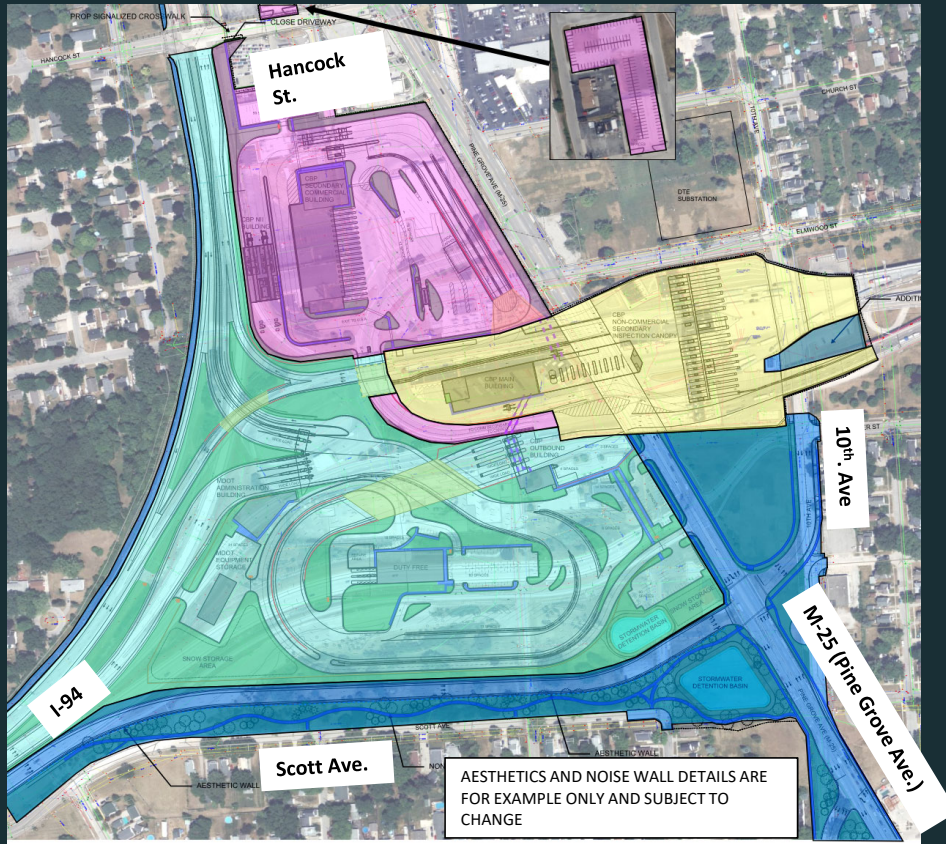
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## Results:




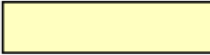
- Over 300 attendees
- Nearly 70 comment cards
- Rebuilding trust with stakeholders
- Significant post meeting outreach to the PM for additional input



# Moving Forward



## Construction Phases

- Early Works Package 
- Package 1 
- Package 2 
- Package 3 

# Bridge Bundle Pilot Successes

Goal	Success
Reduce the number of serious and critical bridges	19 superstructure replacements opened in only 60-90 days (18 were serious or critical)
Develop Michigan's bridge bundle pilot into a scalable and repeatable program	CRRSAA bundle was developed and will build from lessoned learned from pilot
Utilize innovations including strategic partnerships between MDOT, MML, CRA and individual bridge owners	Press Brake Steel Tub Girders used by Design Builder Partnerships with Local Champions, project Ombudsman, Project Consultants and Design Build Team

## Still in progress:

- Asset management plans for each bridge
- Benefit/Cost Analysis



# Congratulations to our Retirees

Duong Pham – 5/31/22

Dick Endres – 7/29/22

Julie Townsend – 12/29/22

Ali Mahdavi – April, 2023



Thank you for your  
years of service!

# Opportunities to Make a Difference

## Structure Design

Multiple Design  
Engineers

Specialist Design  
Engineer

Design Unit Leader

## Geotechnical

Geotechnical  
Engineer

Specialist  
Geotechnical  
Engineer

## Structure Management

Load Rating Unit  
Leader

## Structure Preservation

Ancillary Structures  
Specialist Engineer

# Questions?

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