



October 20, 2020

Rosemary Chiavetta, Secretary  
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission  
400 North Street  
Harrisburg, PA 17120

Re: Application of the Department of Transportation of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for approval to replace the existing structure that carries State Route 0068 over four tracks of the Bessemer and Lake Erie Railroad (DOT No. 051 674 J) and ten tracks of the Buffalo and Pittsburgh Railroad, Inc. (DOT No. 149 033 D) in Butler Township and Summit Township, Butler County and the allocation of costs incident thereto.

Dear Secretary Chiavetta,

Enclosed for filing please find the attached Application of the Department of Transportation.

I certify that a copy has been sent to all parties of record by email as permitted by the Emergency Order at M-2020-3019262.

Sincerely,

Jason M. Barkey  
District Grade Crossing Engineer  
Engineering District 10-0  
Department of Transportation

cc: Parties of Record

Michael C. Clinger, P.E., Acting Right-of-Way and Utilities Section, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor, CKB  
Gina M. D'Alfonso, Asst Counsel in Charge, Office of Chief Counsel, 9<sup>th</sup> Floor, CKB  
Ron Hull, P.E., Chief, Rail Safety Engineering Section, PUC, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, CKB

**BEFORE**  
**PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

Application of the Department of Transportation of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for approval to replace the existing structure that carries State Route 0068 over four tracks of the Bessemer and Lake Erie Railroad (DOT No. 051 674 J) and ten tracks of the Buffalo and Pittsburgh Railroad, Inc. (DOT No. 149 033 D) in Butler Township and Summit Township, Butler County and the allocation of costs incident thereto.

Application  
Docket No. \_\_\_\_\_

To the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission:

1. The name and address of applicant are Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Transportation, Alice M. Hammond, P.E., Assistant District Executive – Design, Engineering District 10-0, 2550 Oakland Avenue, Indiana, PA 15701-3388.
2. The name and address of attorney for the applicant are Jason D. Sharp, Chief Counsel, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Transportation, Office of Chief Counsel, PO Box 8212, Harrisburg, PA 17105-8212.
3. The applicant is an agency of Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, organized and existing under the Administration Code of 1929, 71 P.S. § 511, et. seq. and generally 36 P.S. § 670-401 et. seq.
4. The names and addresses of the persons, parties and entities concerned in, or affected by the proposed construction, to the best of the Applicant’s knowledge, are shown in the Certificate of Service. In addition to those served, the applicant requests that the following also receive service of all documents in this matter:

Michael C. Clinger P.E., Acting Chief  
Utilities and Right of Way Section  
Pennsylvania Department of Transportation  
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Harrisburg, PA 17105-3362

Gina M. D’Alfonso, Senior Counsel in Charge  
Office of Chief Counsel  
Pennsylvania Department of Transportation  
PO Box 8212  
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5. It is desirable to replace the existing multi-span steel thru-truss/girder bridge that carries State Route 0068 Segment 0510 Offset 0000 over four (4) tracks of the Bessemer and Lake Erie Railroad Company (DOT No. 051 674 J) and ten (10) tracks of the Buffalo and Pittsburgh Railroad, Inc. (DOT No. 149 033 D) in Butler Township and Summit Township, Butler County with a new bridge. The applicant desires to construct the new bridge on a new roadway alignment adjacent to the existing bridge. The horizontal and vertical clearances will exceed the Public Utility Commission’s minimum clearance. A Location map is attached as Exhibit “A” and the preliminary bridge Type, Size and Location- General Plan and Typical Section drawings – sheets 1 through 6 of 6 are attached as Exhibit “B”.

6. The estimated (2020) Average Daily Traffic for State Route 0068 is approximately 10,500 vehicles with 4% trucks.
7. The estimated total cost for the entire project that includes the subject structure replacement is approximately \$44 million dollars.
8. The project is necessary and proper for the safety and convenience of the public.
9. A conference of all parties of interest should be held to discuss the proposed improvement.

Wherefore, applicant prays your Honorable Commission to approve the application:

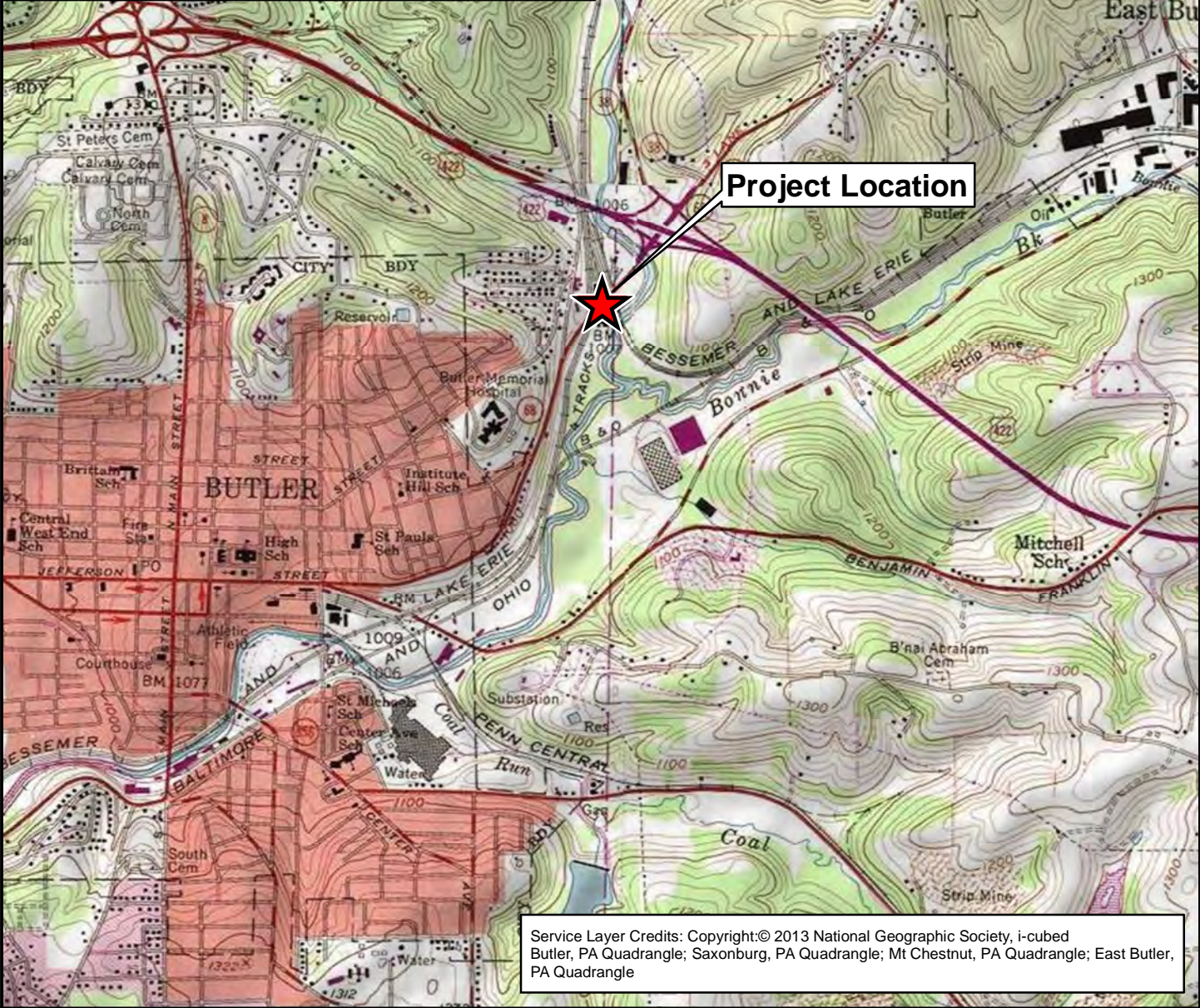
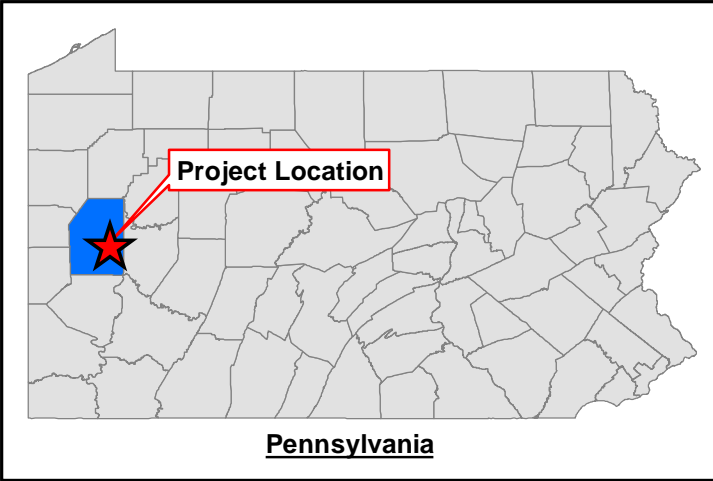
Respectfully Submitted:

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Engineering District 10-0  
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Dated 10/30/2020

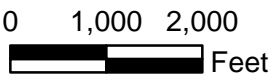
**EXHIBIT A**  
**Location Map**



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 Butler, PA Quadrangle; Saxenburg, PA Quadrangle; Mt Chestnut, PA Quadrangle; East Butler,  
 PA Quadrangle

**Legend**

 Project Location

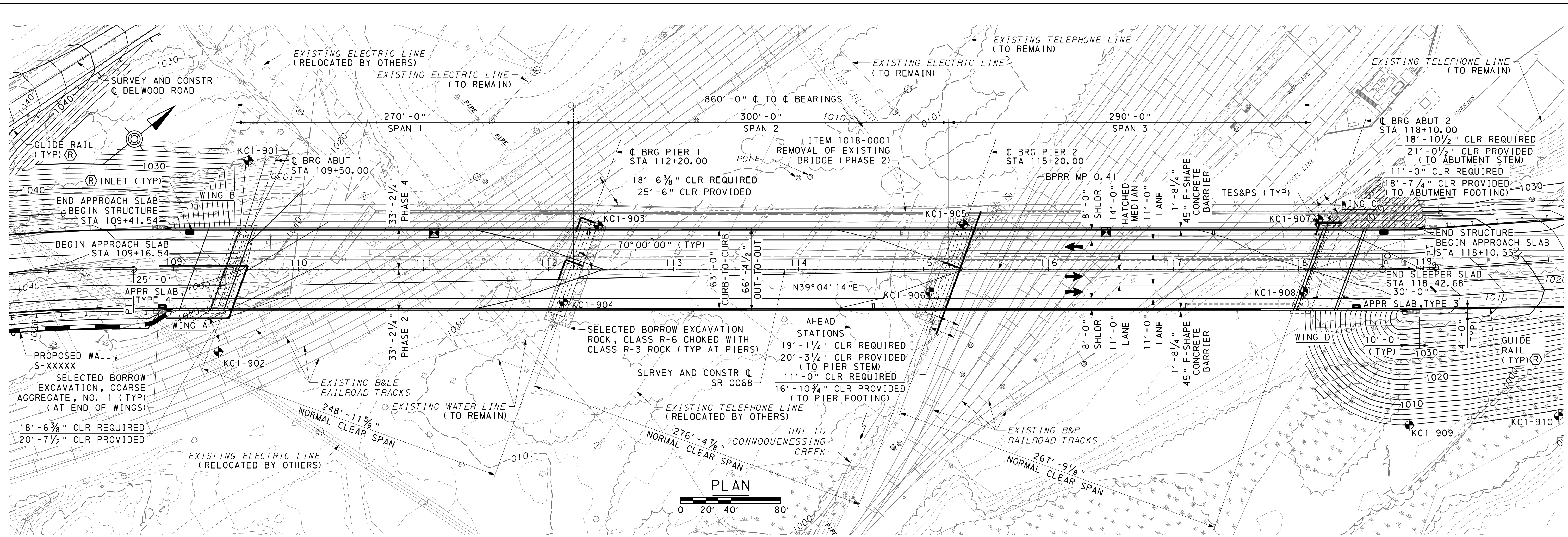


**SR 0068 Karns Crossing - Section 253  
 Butler and Summit Townships,  
 Butler County, PA  
 MPMS 86105  
 Project Location Map**

## **EXHIBIT B**

### **Type, Size and Location Drawings**

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**NOTES:**

1. AASHTO LRFD BRIDGE DESIGN SPECIFICATIONS, EIGHTH EDITION, 2017, AND AS SUPPLEMENTED BY DESIGN MANUAL, PART 4, DECEMBER 2019 EDITION.
2. LIVE LOAD DISTRIBUTION TO THE GIRDERS IS BASED UPON DM-4 DISTRIBUTION FACTORS.
3. DESIGN IS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LRFD METHOD.
4. DESIGN LIVE LOADS: PHL-93 OR P-82 (204 KIP PERMIT LOAD) OR P2016-13 (330 KIP PERMIT LOAD).
5. DEAD LOADS INCLUDE A 0.015 KSF LOAD FOR STAY-IN-PLACE FORMS, 0.022 KIP/FT FOR PROTECTIVE FENCE LOAD OVER THE RAILROAD PROPERTY AND 0.030 KSF LOAD FOR A FUTURE WEARING SURFACE.
6. SEE SHEET 2 FOR THE HYDRAULIC DATA.
7. PHASE 1 IS THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE TEMPORARY ROADWAY.
8. PHASE 3 IS THE DEMOLITION OF THE EXISTING BRIDGE.

**LEGEND:**

- ➔ DENOTES TRAFFIC DIRECTION
- DENOTES EXISTING GROUND CONTOURS (2 FT INTERVALS)
- DENOTES PROPOSED GROUND CONTOURS (2 FT INTERVALS)
- ⊠ DENOTES POINT OF MINIMUM VERTICAL CLEARANCE AT STA 111+07.97 OFFSET 29.75' LT
- ⊕ DENOTES PROPOSED CORE BORING LOCATION
- Ⓡ DENOTES ROADWAY ITEM
- TES&PS DENOTES TEMPORARY EXCAVATION SUPPORT AND PROTECTION SYSTEM
- BPRR DENOTES BUFFALO AND PITTSBURGH RAILROAD
- MP DENOTES MILEPOST

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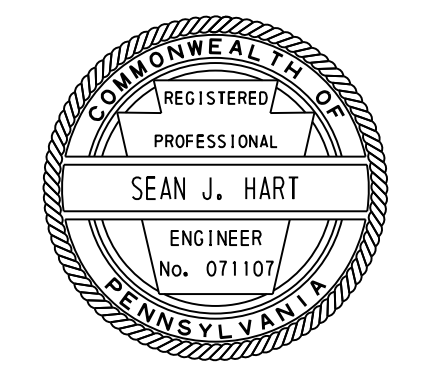
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**PROPOSED CORE BORINGS**

BORING	STATION	OFFSET	TOP OF HOLE ELEV
KC1-901	109+60.00	87.0' LT	1020.0
KC1-902	109+36.00	66.0' RT	1016.0
KC1-903	112+40.00	35.0' LT	1011.0
KC1-904	112+12.00	26.0' RT	1009.1
KC1-905	115+32.00	36.0' LT	1008.0
KC1-906	115+05.00	18.0' RT	1007.5
KC1-907	118+16.00	40.0' LT	1007.0
KC1-908	118+04.00	18.0' RT	1005.4
KC1-909	118+85.00	125.0' RT	1001.5
KC1-910	120+00.00	125.0' RT	999.1

PROTECTIVE FENCE	BC-701M	1/31/2019
TEMPORARY CONCRETE BARRIER, STRUCTURE MOUNTED	BC-719M	1/31/2019
PERMANENT METAL DECK FORMS	BC-732M	1/31/2019
ANCHOR SYSTEMS	BC-734M	1/31/2019
WALL CONSTRUCTION AND EXPANSION JOINT DETAILS	BC-735M	9/30/2016
REINFORCEMENT BAR FABRICATION DETAILS	BC-736M	1/31/2019
BRIDGE BARRIER TO GUIDE RAIL TRANSITION	BC-739M	1/31/2019
BRIDGE DRAINAGE	BC-751M	1/31/2019
CONCRETE DECK SLAB DETAILS	BC-752M	9/30/2016
STEEL GIRDER DETAILS	BC-753M	1/31/2019
STEEL DIAPHRAGMS FOR STEEL BEAM/GIRDER STRUCTURES (STRAIGHT GIRDERS ONLY)	BC-754M	1/31/2019
BEARINGS	BC-755M	1/31/2019
STEEL PILE TIP REINFORCEMENTS & SPLICES	BC-757M	9/30/2016
TOOTH EXPANSION DAM FOR PRESTRESSED CONCRETE & STEEL BEAM BRIDGES	BC-762M	1/31/2019
PREFORMED NEOPRENE COMPRESSION SEAL JOINT FOR APPROACH SLABS	BC-766M	1/31/2019
NEOPRENE STRIP SEAL DAM FOR PRESTRESSED CONCRETE & STEEL I-BEAM BRIDGES	BC-767M	1/31/2019
MISCELLANEOUS PRESTRESS DETAILS	BC-775M	9/30/2016
TYPICAL WATERPROOFING AND EXPANSION DETAILS	BC-788M	1/31/2019
CLASSIFICATION OF EARTHWORK FOR STRUCTURES	RC-11M	6/1/2010
BACKFILL AT STRUCTURES	RC-12M	2/8/2019
GUIDE RAIL TO BRIDGE BARRIER TRANSITIONS	RC-50M	2/8/2019
DESCRIPTION	DWG NO	RECM'D DATE

PREPARED BY:  
**Michael Baker INTERNATIONAL**  
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100 AIRSIDE DRIVE  
MOON TOWNSHIP, PA 15108  
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*Sean J. Hart* 9/28/2020

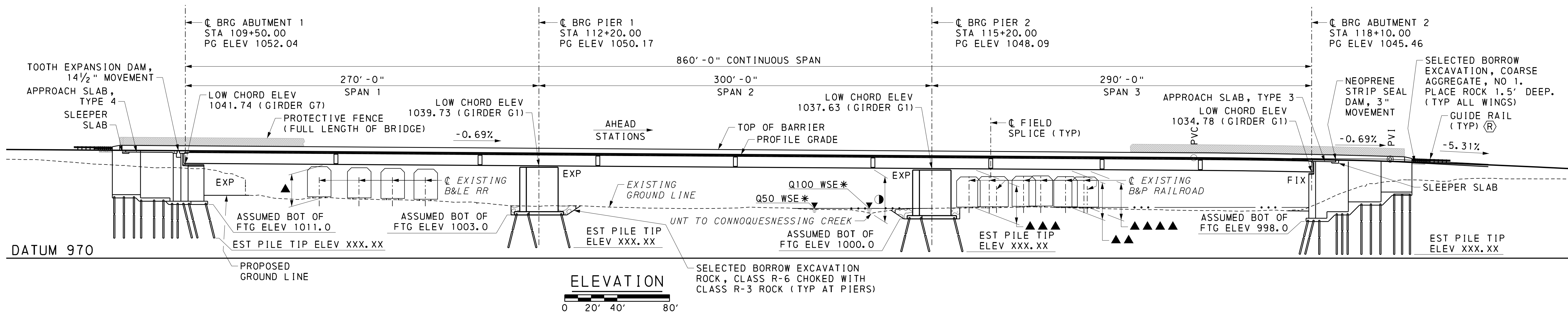
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SR 0068-253 STA 113+76.05  
OVER B&E RAILROAD AND B&P RAILROAD  
3 SPAN CONT COMP STEEL PLATE GIRDER BRIDGE  
TYPE, SIZE AND LOCATION PLAN

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**LEGEND:**

- EXP DENOTES EXPANSION DISC BEARINGS
- FIX DENOTES FIXED DISC BEARINGS
- (R) DENOTES ROADWAY ITEM
- ▲ DENOTES VERTICAL CLEARANCE (CONTROLLING FOR B&E RAILROAD)  
EXISTING = 21'-4" LEFT TRUSS LINE, TRACK 1  
REQUIRED = 23'-0"  
PROPOSED = 23'-11" G1, TRACK 1
- ▲▲ DENOTES VERTICAL CLEARANCE (CONTROLLING FOR B&P RAILROAD)  
EXISTING = 21'-2" LEFT TRUSS LINE, TRACK 6  
REQUIRED = 23'-0"  
PROPOSED = 27'-0" G1, TRACK 6
- ▲▲▲ DENOTES VERTICAL CLEARANCE  
EXISTING = 23'-11" RIGHT TRUSS LINE, TRACK 1  
REQUIRED = 23'-0"  
PROPOSED = 28'-7" G1, TRACK 1
- ▲▲▲▲ DENOTES VERTICAL CLEARANCE  
EXISTING = 22'-5" LEFT TRUSS LINE, TRACK 10  
REQUIRED = 23'-0"  
PROPOSED = 28'-8" G1, TRACK 10
- \* DENOTES WSE ELEVATIONS SHOWN ARE FROM THE  
UNT TO CONNOQUENESSING CREEK
- DENOTES UNDERCLEARANCE TO UNT TO CONNOQUENESSING CREEK  
EXISTING = 25'-9 3/4"  
PROPOSED = 28'-3 3/4"

**HYDRAULIC DATA:**

UNT TO CONNOQUENESSING CREEK  
DRAINAGE AREA - 0.17 SQUARE MILES (PROPOSED)  
PROPOSED LOW CHORD ELEV = 1034.78

**50 YEAR DESIGN FLOOD**  
DISCHARGE = 127 CFS  
PROPOSED WATER SURFACE ELEVATION = 1007.97  
PROPOSED CHANNEL VELOCITY = 0.34 FPS

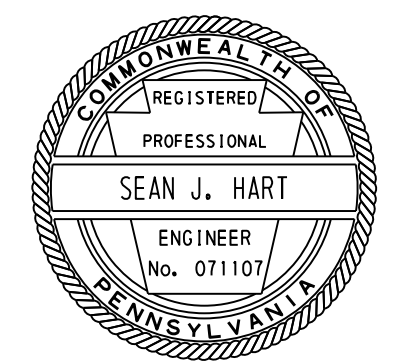
**100 YEAR DESIGN FLOOD**  
DISCHARGE = 139 CFS  
PROPOSED WATER SURFACE ELEVATION = 1008.06  
PROPOSED CHANNEL VELOCITY = 0.34 FPS

FLOOD OF RECORD: NONE

**VERTICAL CURVE DATA**

-0.69%      -5.31%

PVI STA = 118+70.00  
PVI ELEV = 1045.67  
VC = 300.00'  
MO = -1.73'



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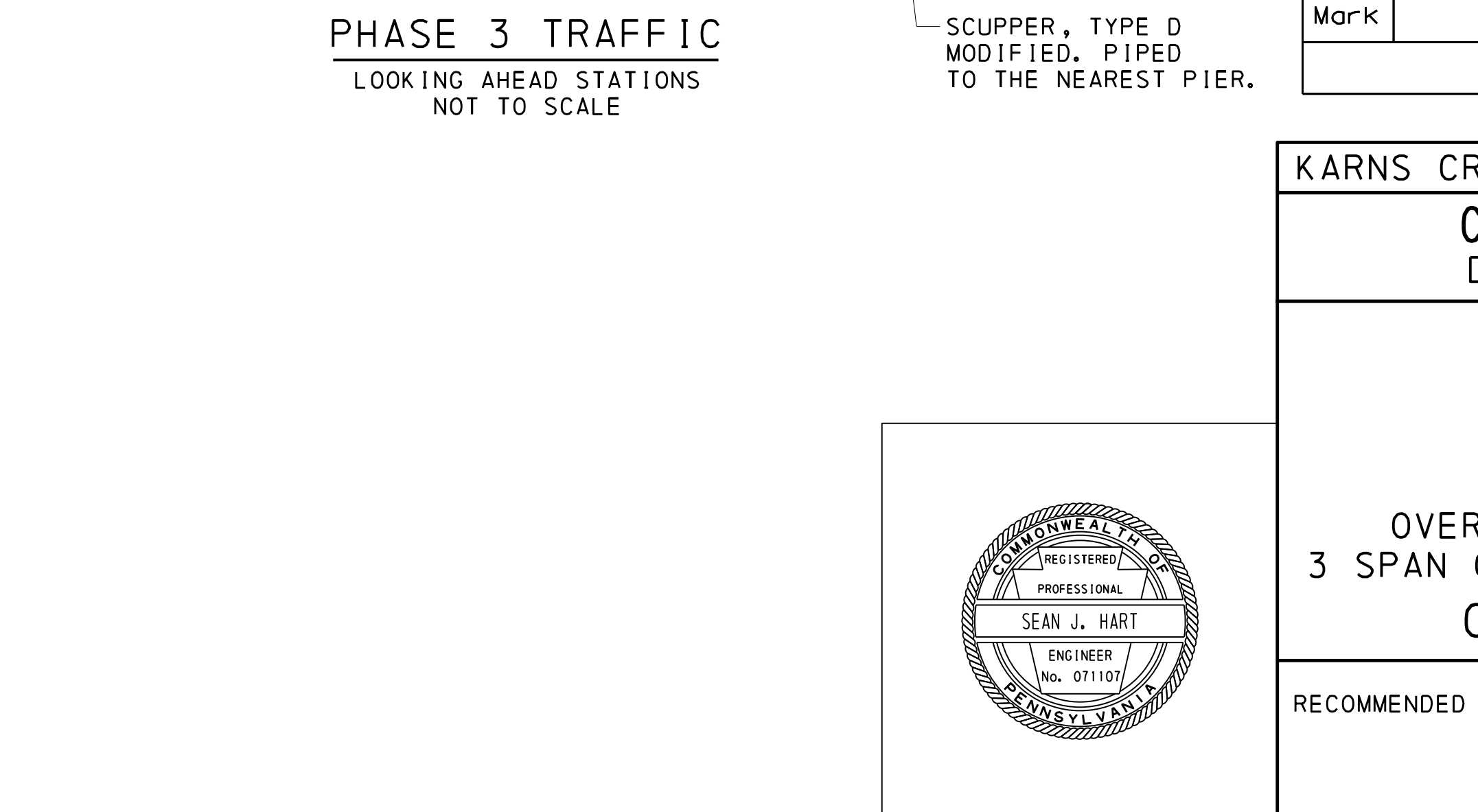
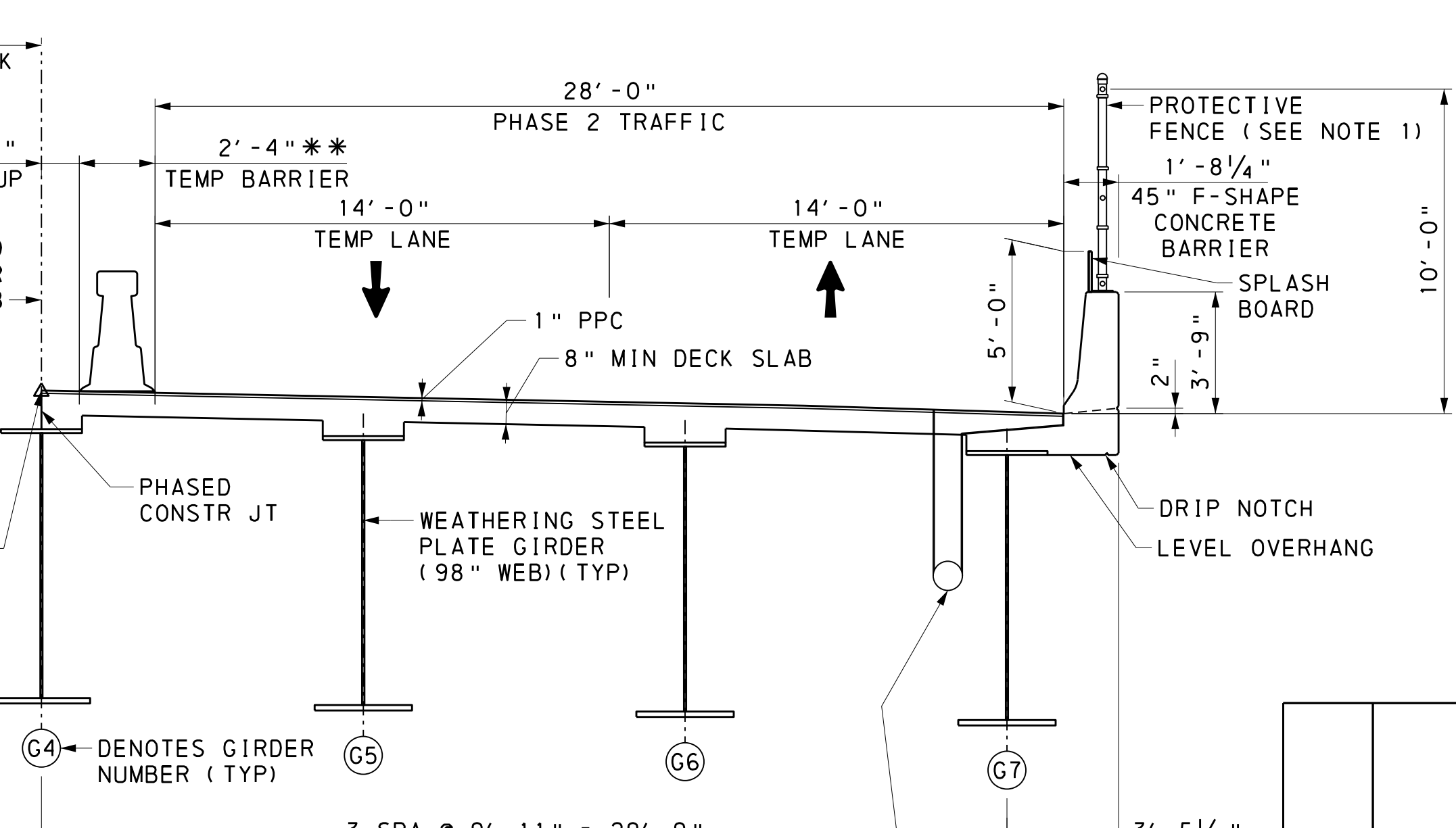
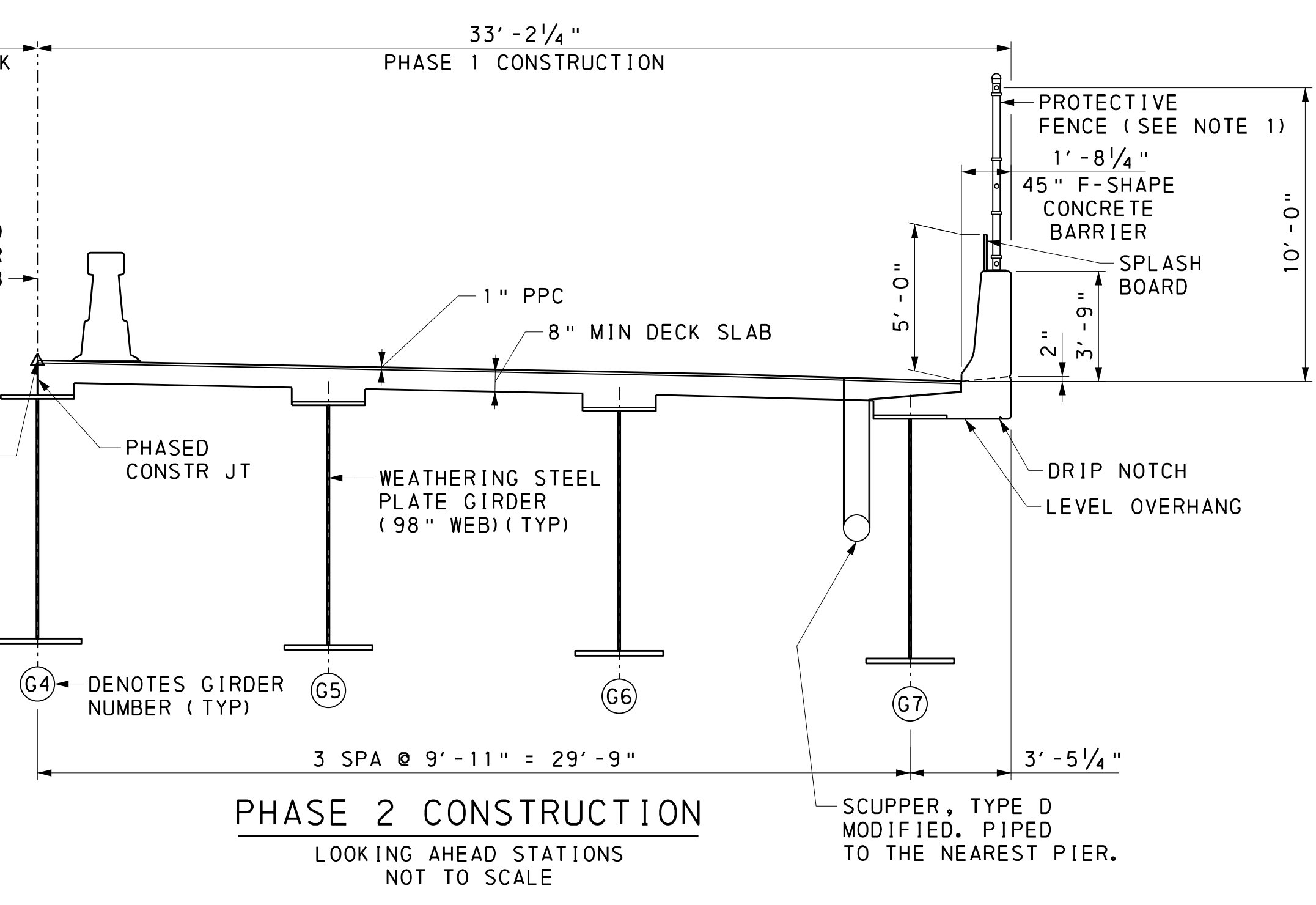
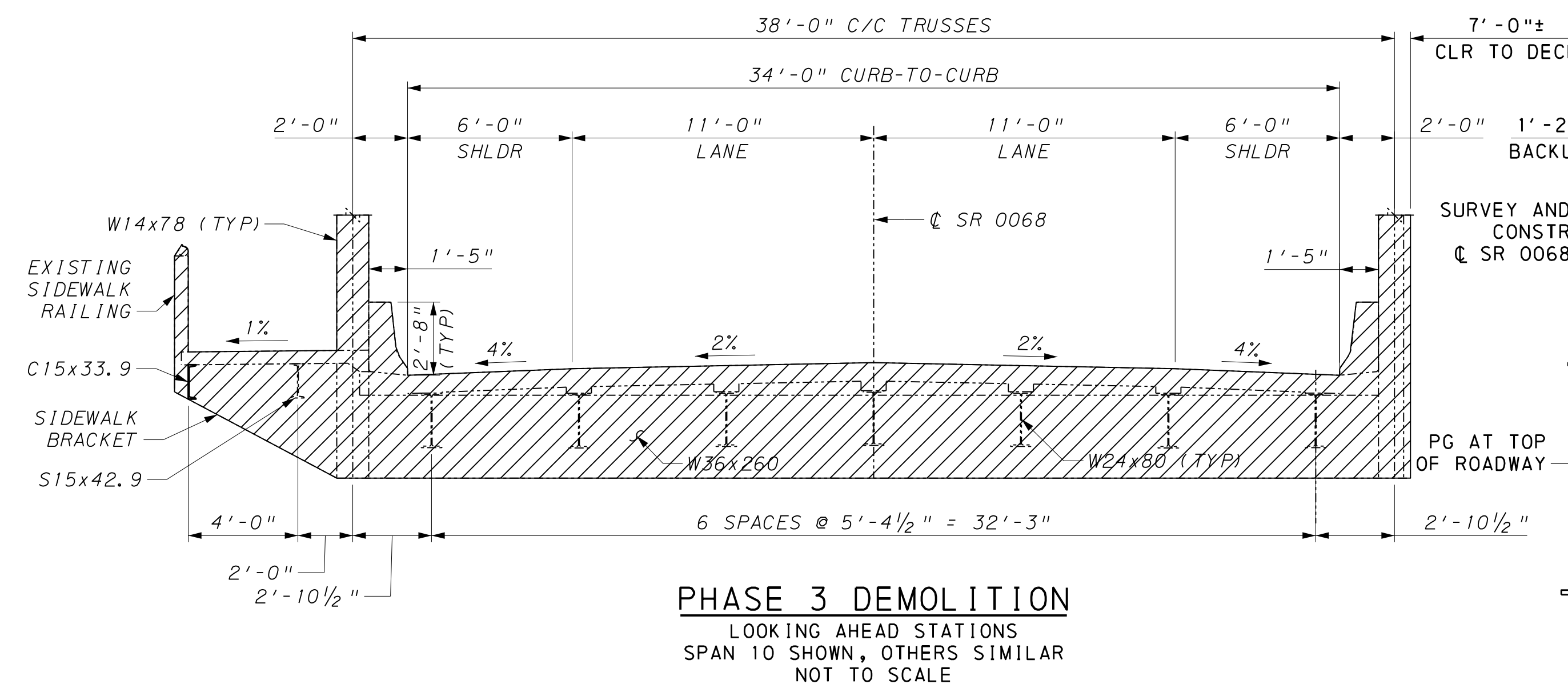
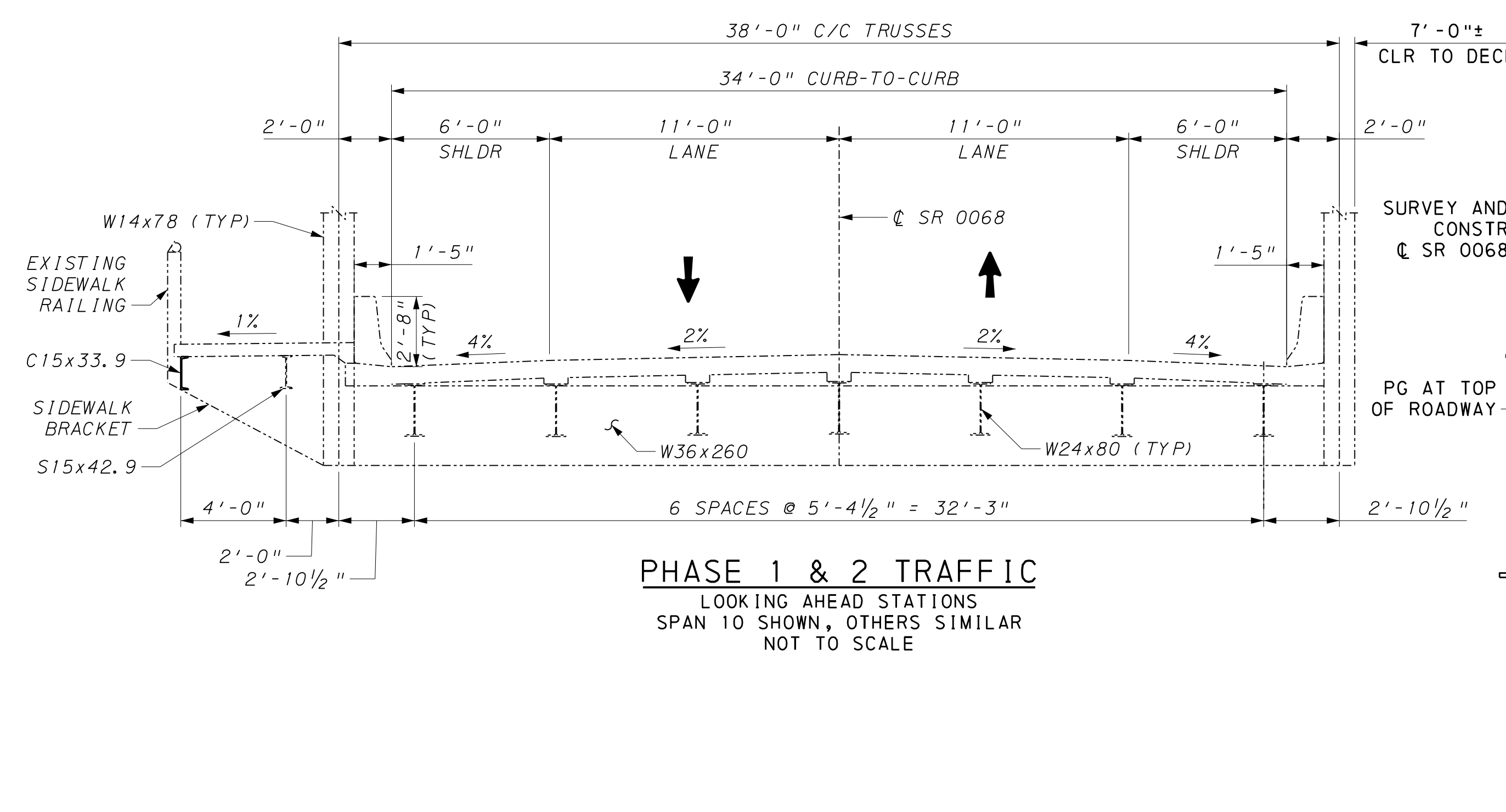
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**ELEVATION**

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	EOS	EOP		EOP	EOS
STA 118+67.15	6.0%	6.0%		6.0%	2.0%
STA 117+44.15	3.0%	2.0%	2.0%	3.0%	
STA 116+83.15	3.0%	2.0%	0%	3.0%	
STA 116+22.15	3.0%	2.0%	2.0%	3.0%	
STA 110+31.19	3.0%	2.0%	2.0%	3.0%	
STA 109+70.19	3.0%	0%	2.0%	3.0%	
STA 109+09.19	2.0%	2.0%	2.0%	6.0%	
STA 108+17.19	2.0%	5.0%	5.0%	6.0%	

**SUPERELEVATION TRANSITION TABLE**

● DENOTES SUPERELEVATION ROTATION POINT NOT TO SCALE

**NOTES:**

1. CONSTRUCT ANTI-CLIMB SHIELD BOTH SIDES AT EACH END OF BRIDGE.
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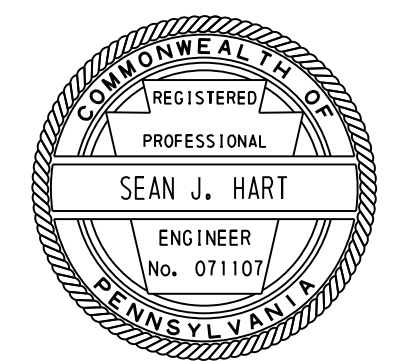
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- ← DENOTES TRAFFIC DIRECTION
- ▨ DENOTES REMOVAL LIMITS
- PPC DENOTES POLYESTER POLYMER CONCRETE
- EOS DENOTES EDGE OF SHOULDER
- EOP DENOTES EDGE OF PAVEMENT

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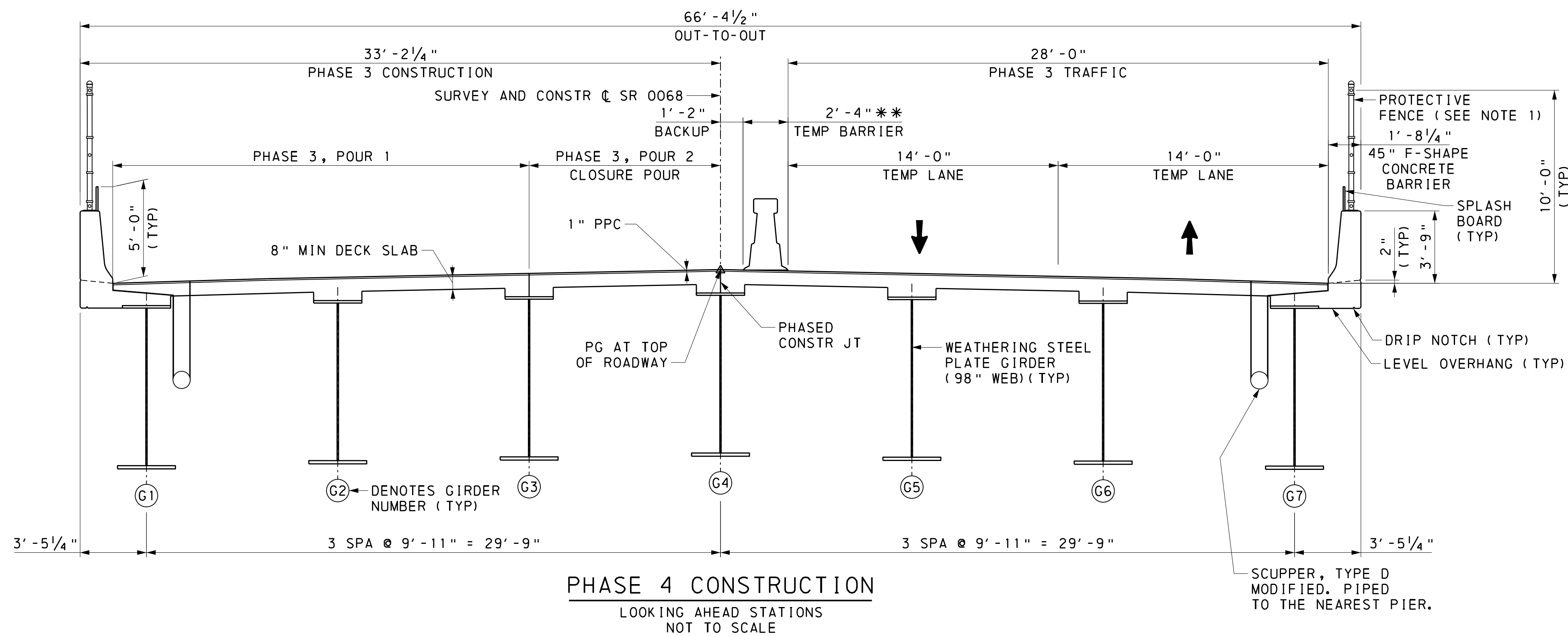
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**CONSTRUCTION PHASING 1**



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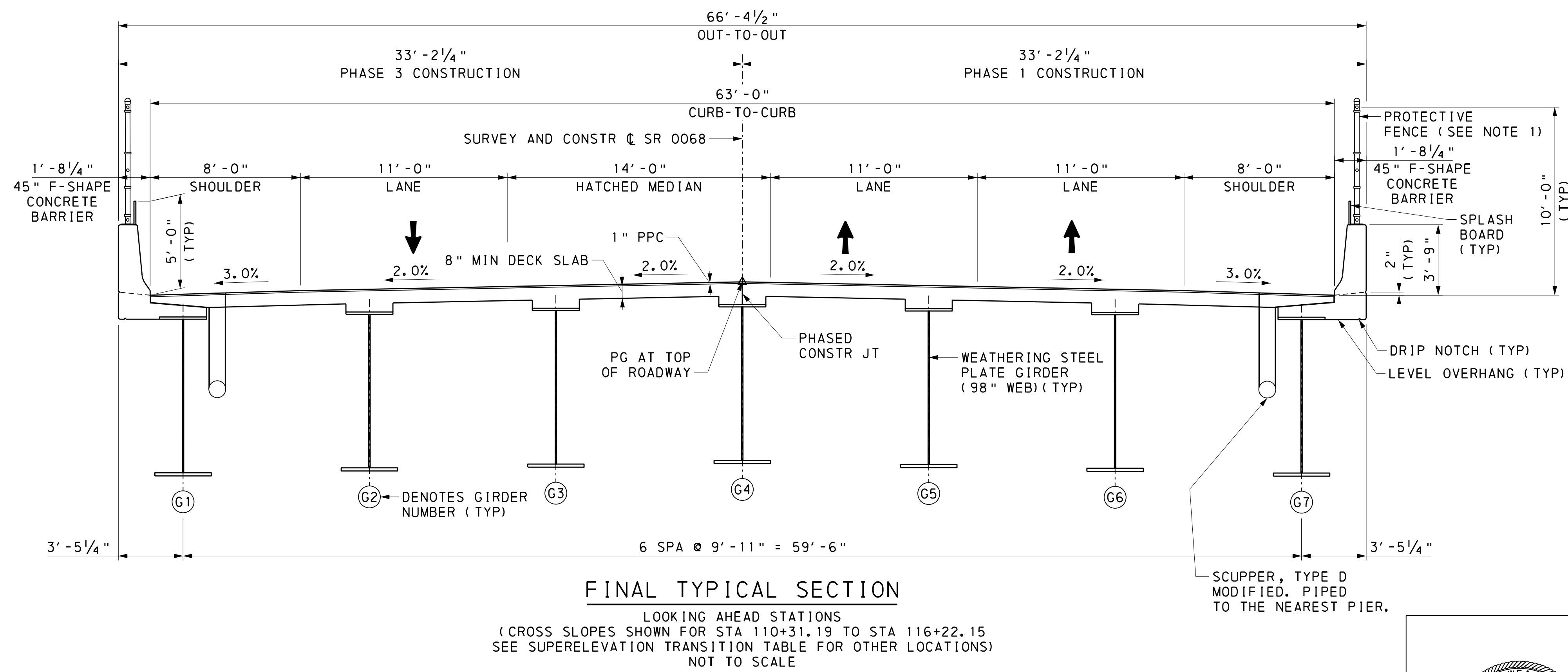


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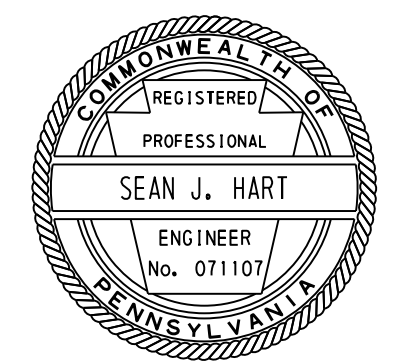
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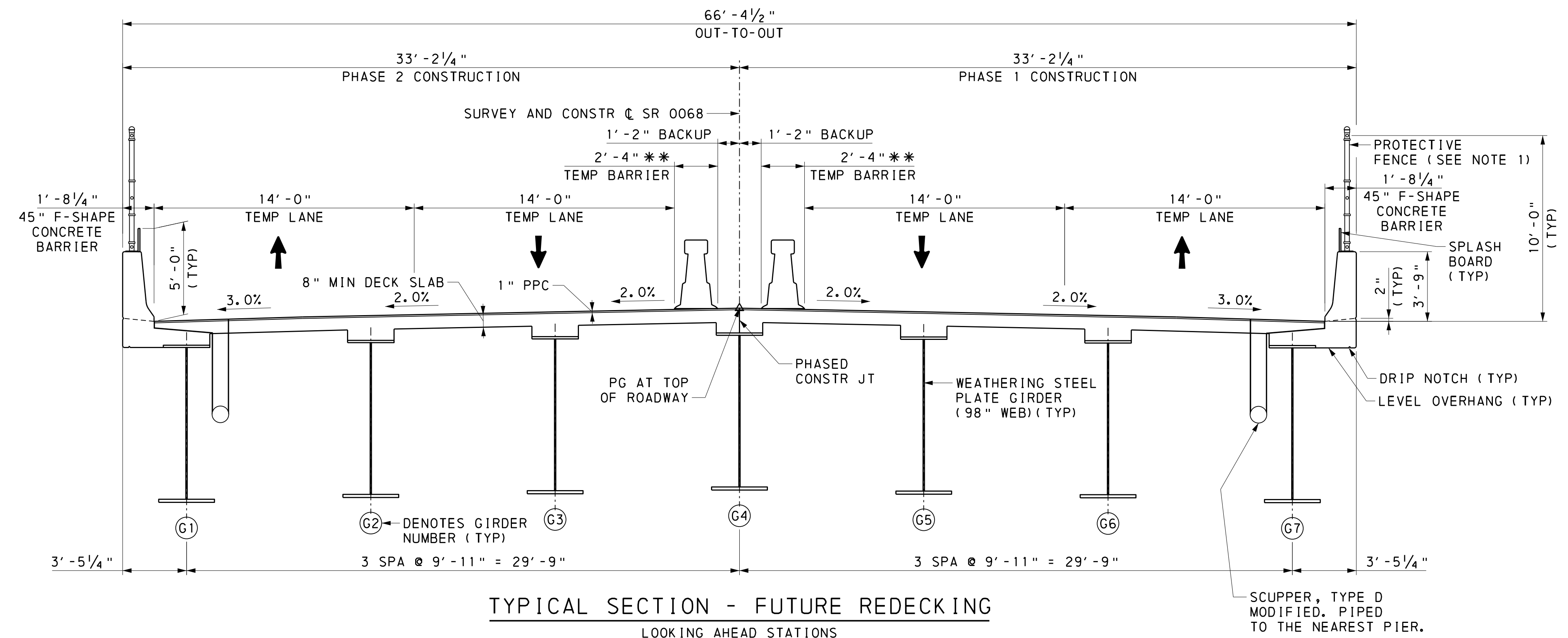
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**TYPICAL SECTION - FUTURE REDECKING**  
 LOOKING AHEAD STATIONS  
 (CROSS SLOPES SHOWN FOR STA 110+31.19 TO STA 116+22.15  
 SEE SUPERELEVATION TRANSITION TABLE FOR OTHER LOCATIONS)  
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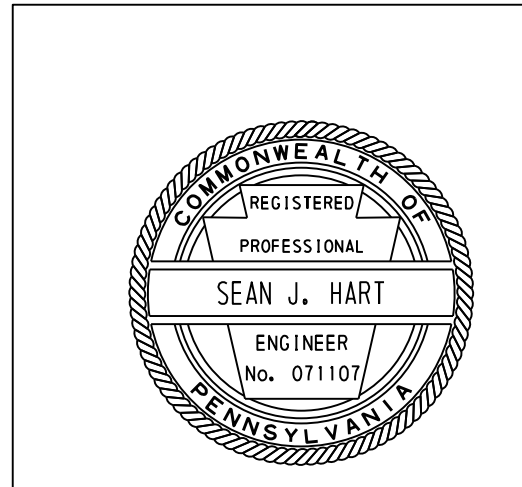
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**VERIFICATION**

I, Jason M. Barkey, hereby state that the facts above set forth are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief and that I expect to be able to prove the same at a hearing held in this matter. I understand that the statements herein are made subject to the penalties of 18 Pa.C.S. §4904 (relating to unsworn falsification to authorities).

Date: 11/02/2020

\_\_\_\_\_  
Jason M. Barkey  
District Grade Crossing Engineer

**BEFORE  
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

Application of the Department of Transportation of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for approval to replace the existing structure that carries State Route 0068 over four tracks of the Bessemer and Lake Erie Railroad (DOT No. 051 674 J) and ten tracks of the Buffalo and Pittsburgh Railroad, Inc. (DOT No. 149 033 D) in Butler Township and Summit Township, Butler County and the allocation of costs incident thereto.

Application  
Docket No. \_\_\_\_\_

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

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