

**Rail Safety Division Application Type (check all that apply):**

- E-Installation, removal or substitution of warning devices at a public crossing
- G-Construction, alteration, relocation, abolition or suspension of a public crossing
- P-Installation of traffic signals with preemption on the approach to a public crossing
- W-Installation of a fixed utility company's facilities at a public crossing (Pipe & Wire)
- X-Exemption from the Commission's railroad clearance requirement

**Application Docket No.**

**APPLICATION OF THE BERKS COUNTY REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**

Applicant, Berks County Redevelopment Authority, files this Application pursuant to the provisions of 66 Pa. C.S. § 2702 and 52 Pa. Code § 5.13 for the alteration of the public crossings where Douglass Township Grist Mill Road in Douglass Township, Berks County cross the track(s) of the Berks County Redevelopment Authority for DOT Crossing Number 589503X as described below:

1. The name and address of Applicant are:

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3. The Applicant is a Municipal Authority in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, organized and existing under the Municipal Authorities Act 53 Pa. C.S. § 5601-5622, filing this Application on behalf of themselves as owner of the railroad right-of-way and track. The operating railroad is Eastern Berks Gateway Railroad, 64 S Washington St, Boyertown, PA 19512 who operates the line under agreement with Berks County Redevelopment Authority. The railroad is commonly called the Colebrookdale Railroad.

4. The Applicant is seeking approval for Berks County Redevelopment Authority to alter, as detailed below, on roadways that cross the track(s) of Berks County Redevelopment Authority at DOT Crossing Number 589503X in Douglass Township, Berks County.

The proposed work involves demolition of the existing timber trestle bridge that carries Colebrookdale Railroad over Grist Mill Road with a new steel trestle bridge and required approach track, roadway, and drainage improvements. A Location Map is attached hereto and marked as Exhibit A. Preliminary Construction drawings are attached hereto and marked as Exhibit B.

5. The parties that may be affected by the proposed alteration are as follows:

See attached Certificate of Service.

6. The average daily traffic for Grist Mill Road (local rural route) is unknown as traffic data is not available. It is assumed the AADT is less than 500 vehicles per day and that average daily truck traffic is minimal due to the Grist Mill Road alignment and width and availability of suitable alternate routes. Average daily rail traffic includes two freight trains per week, each way. Excursion traffic includes one excursion train per day, each way, Friday through Sunday from September through December.

7. The estimated total cost of the project described above is \$2,200,000. This cost will be paid for using 100% Berks County Redevelopment Authority funds.

8. This project is necessary and proper for the safety and convenience of the public.

Wherefore, Applicant respectfully requests that the Public Utility Commission approve this Application.

Respectfully Submitted:



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Dated: 4/10/20

## VERIFICATION

I, Kenneth L. Pick, hereby state that the facts above set forth are true and correct (or 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

4/10/26



(Signature)

## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served a true copy of the foregoing document upon the participants, listed below, by electronic mail in accordance with the requirements of § 1.54 (relating to service by participant).

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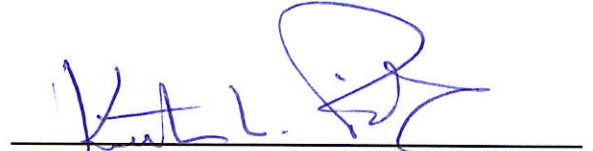
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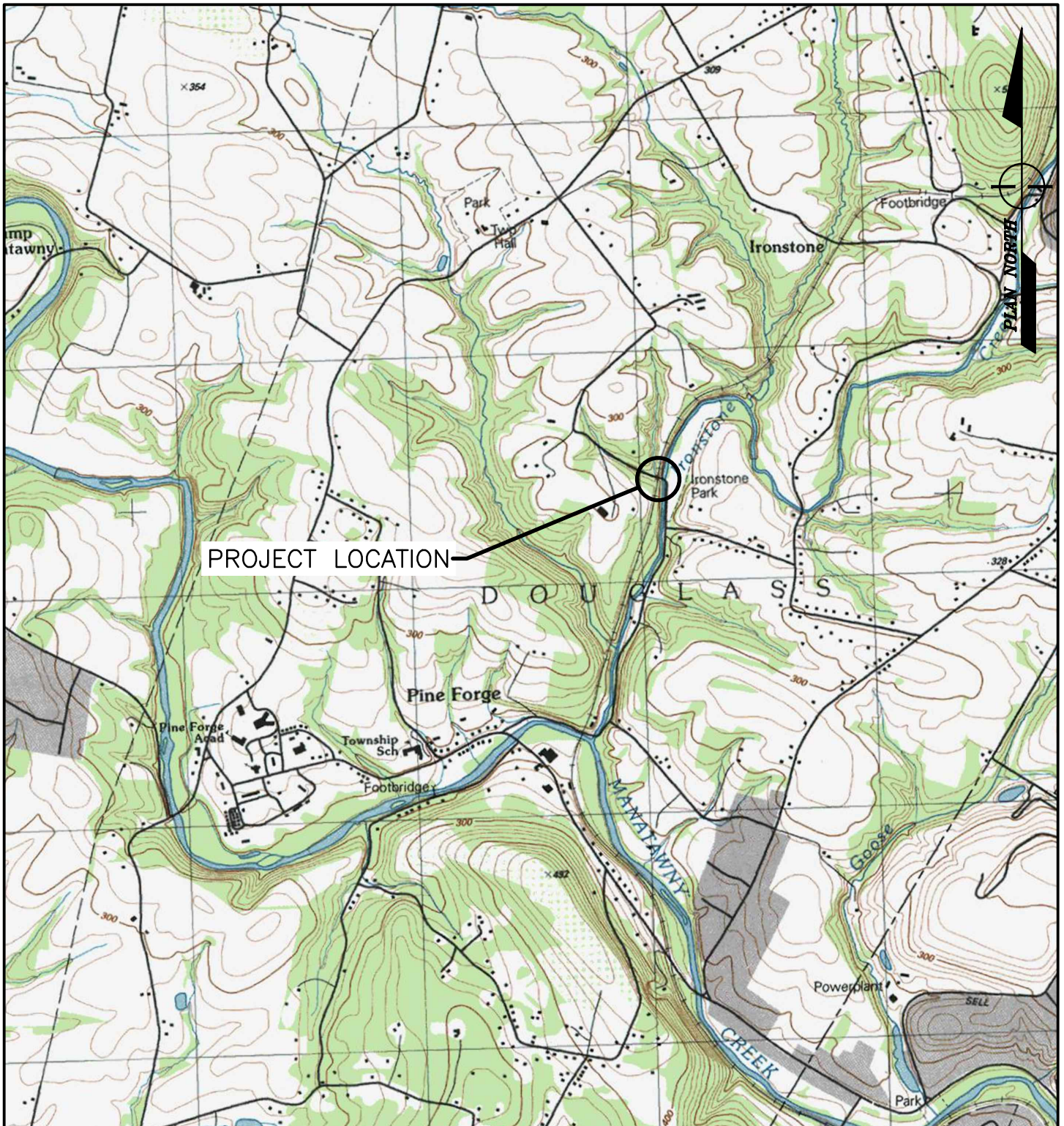
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(Signature)

**EXHIBIT A – LOCATION MAP**



PROJECT LOCATION

**USGS PROJECT LOCATION MAP**

COLEBROOKDALE RAILROAD  
 BRIDGE 4.21 REPLACEMENT  
 DOUGLASS TOWNSHIP,  
 BERKS COUNTY,  
 PENNSYLVANIA



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**EXHIBIT B – PRELIMINARY CONSTRUCTION DRAWINGS**

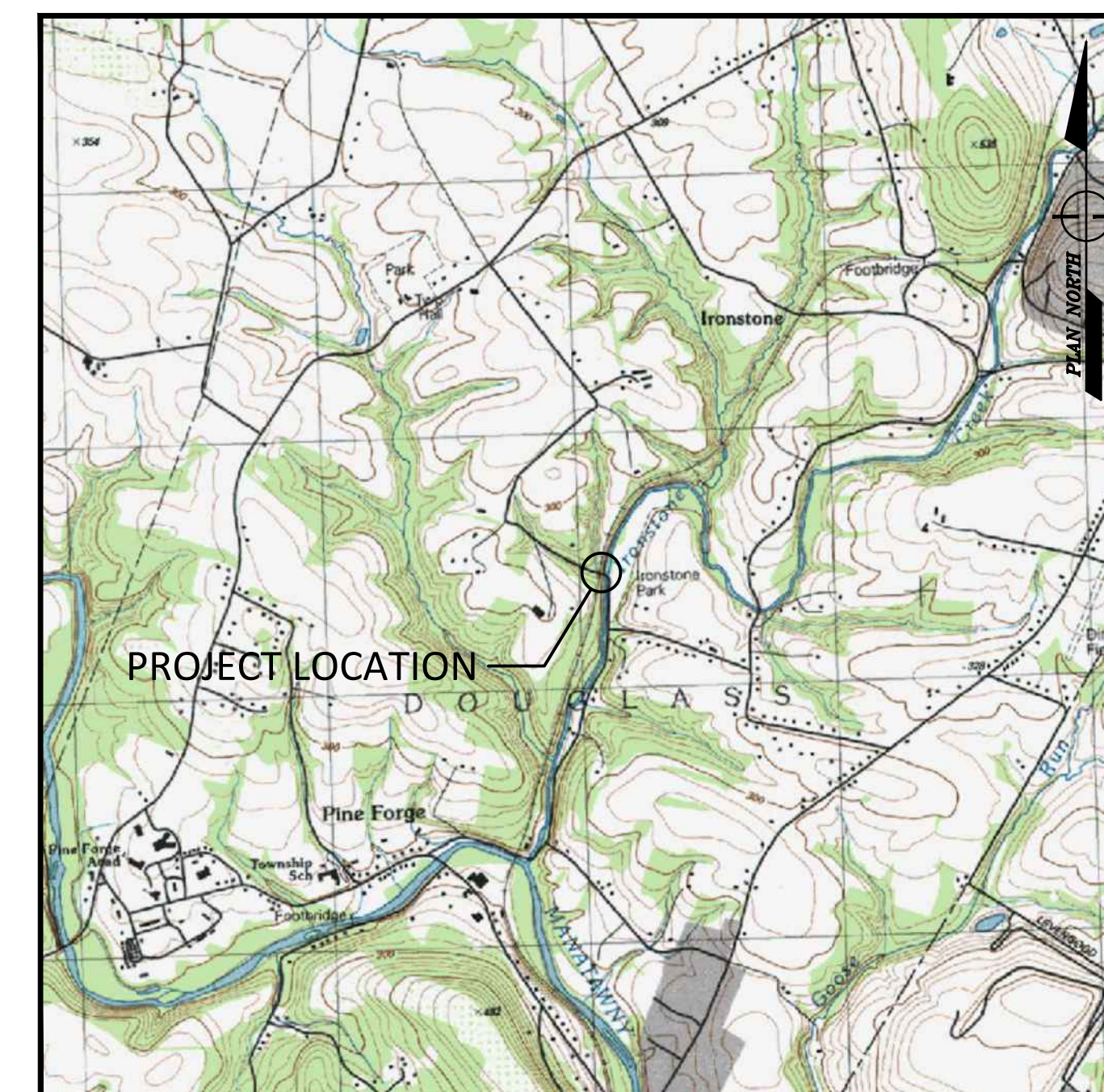
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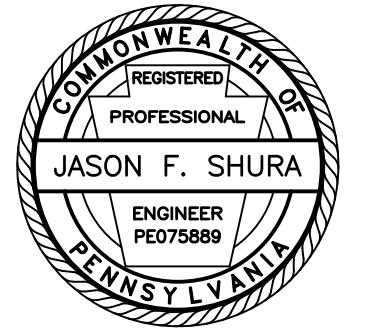
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BOYERSTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA, USGS  
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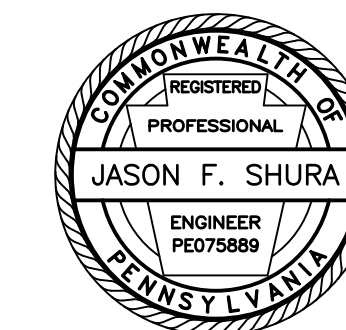
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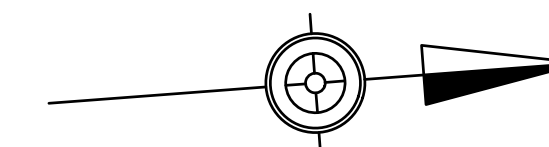
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BM #4 ELEV. 221.96'  
STA 221+74 11.54' RT.  
SQUARE CUT ON CORNER OF CONCRETE  
ABUTMENT WALL

**COLEBROOKDALE RAILROAD @  
CURVE DATA**  
PI STA = 217+46.92  
Δ = 15° 42' 30"  
D = 2° 51' 53"  
T = 275.89'  
L = 548.33'  
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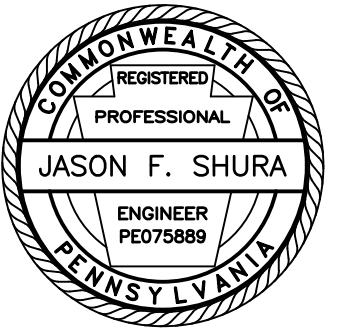
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D = 5° 05' 35"  
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L = 221.36'  
R = 1125.00'  
E = 5.47'  
C = 221.00'  
PC STA = 222+69.49  
PT STA = 224+90.85

**COLEBROOKDALE RAILROAD @  
CURVE DATA**  
PI STA = 225+96.59  
Δ = 4° 46' 19"  
D = 3° 49' 11"  
T = 62.50'  
L = 124.93'  
R = 1500.00'  
E = 1.30'  
C = 124.90'  
PC STA = 225+34.09  
PT STA = 226+59.02

**PLAN**

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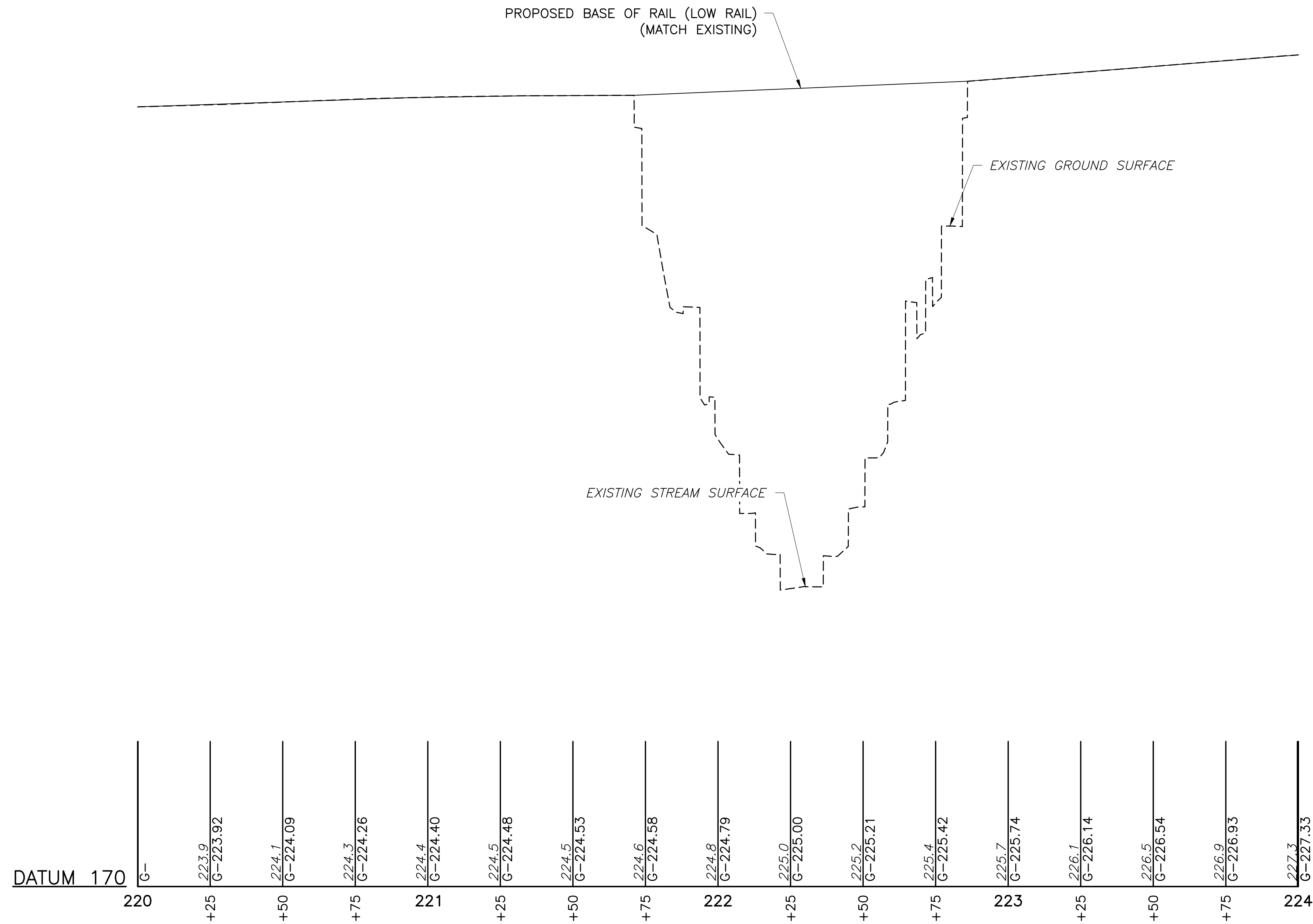
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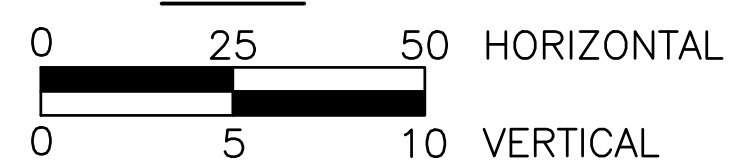
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**PROFILE VIEW – COLEBROOKDALE RAILROAD BRIDGE 4.21**

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**GENERAL CONSTRUCTION NOTES**

SLANT LETTERING DENOTES EXISTING FEATURES OR FACILITIES.

VERTICAL LETTERING DENOTES PROPOSED FEATURES OR FACILITIES.

VERTICAL CONTROL FOR THIS PROJECT IS BASED ON NAVD88 DATUM.

HORIZONTAL CONTROL FOR THIS PROJECT IS BASED ON PENNSYLVANIA STATE COORDINATE SYSTEM, SOUTH ZONE.

ALL CURVE DATA IS BASED ON CHORD DEFINITION UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED.

PROPERTY LINES AND RIGHT-OF-WAY LINES ARE SHOWN FOR INFORMATION ONLY AND DO NOT CONSTITUTE ACTUAL FIELD SURVEYS.

ALL CODES AND STANDARDS REFERENCED IN THESE GENERAL NOTES, INCLUDING ALL SPECIFICATIONS REFERENCED WITHIN, AND ALL FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL REGULATIONS APPLY TO THE DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION, DEMOLITION, QUALITY CONTROL AND SAFETY OF ALL WORK PERFORMED ON THE PROJECT. USE THE LATEST EDITIONS OF THE CODES AND STANDARDS UNLESS NOTED OTHERWISE.

JOB SITE SAFETY AND CONSTRUCTION PROCEDURES ARE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE CONTRACTOR.

BALLAST SHALL CONFORM TO GRADATION SIZE 3 AS RECOMMENDED IN AREMA, CHAPTER 1, PART 2, TABLE NO. 2, RECOMMENDED BALLAST GRADATIONS.

NO EXCAVATED, BORROW OR BACKFILL MATERIAL SHALL BE STOCKPILED WITHIN THE 100-YEAR FLOODWAY OR FLOODPLAIN.

ALL SURFACES SHALL BE RESTORED TO PRE-CONSTRUCTION OR BETTER CONDITION.

THREE WORKING DAYS PRIOR TO EXCAVATION, THE CONTRACTOR SHALL CONTACT PA ONE CALL SYSTEM, INC.

PHONE: 1-800-242-1776

PA ONE CALL SERIAL NUMBER: 20231170820 FOR DOUGLASS TOWNSHIP, BERKS COUNTY

THE CONTRACTOR SHALL EXERCISE CAUTION AND EMPLOY CAREFUL EXCAVATION METHODS DURING INSTALLATION OF THE FACILITIES TO AVOID DAMAGE TO OR CONFLICT WITH EXISTING UTILITIES. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL PERFORM EXPLORATORY EXCAVATIONS AS NECESSARY AND/OR REQUIRED BY THE ENGINEER TO ASCERTAIN THE HORIZONTAL AND VERTICAL ALIGNMENT OF EXISTING UTILITIES PRIOR TO CONSTRUCTION IN AFFECTED AREAS AND MAKE THE APPROPRIATE ADJUSTMENTS IN THE FIELD IF CONFLICTS OCCUR.

DESIGN IS BASED ON AVAILABLE INFORMATION PERTAINING TO UNDERGROUND UTILITIES AND FIELD LOCATION WHERE POSSIBLE. SHOULD THE CONTRACTOR ENCOUNTER A SITUATION WHERE IT IS BELIEVED THAT AN EXISTING UNDERGROUND UTILITY WILL NEED TO BE RELOCATED BY THE CONTRACTOR, HE SHALL NOTIFY THE ENGINEER AND A DECISION WILL BE MADE WITHIN TWO (2) WORKING DAYS.

DESIGNERS AND CONTRACTORS UTILIZING THESE DRAWINGS AND THE INFORMATION CONTAINED THEREON ARE CAUTIONED TO COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF LOCAL AND STATE REGULATIONS FOR UNDERGROUND UTILITY LINE PROTECTION.

**SCOPE OF WORK**

BRIDGE 4.21:

REPLACE EXISTING STRUCTURE WITH NEW PRECAST CONCRETE ABUTMENTS, WINGWALLS, AND PILE CAPS, NEW STEEL H-PILES AT ABUTMENT AND BENTS, NEW STEEL H-PILE BENTS, NEW WF DECK GIRDER SYSTEM, NEW STANDARD BALLASTED TRACK, NEW RIPRAP PLACEMENT AT WINGS AND PILE CAPS.

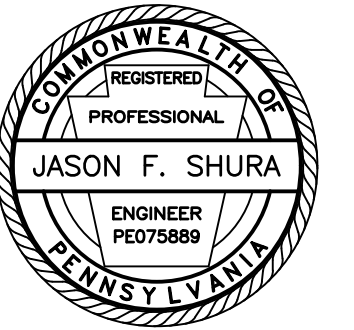
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REFER TO THE TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS AND/OR PRE-BID MEETING MINUTES FOR ANTICIPATED COLEBROOKDALE RAILROAD TRAFFIC THROUGH PROJECT SITE DURING CONSTRUCTION.

FULL TIME FLAGGING OPERATIONS OR INSTALLATION OF DERAILS WILL BE REQUIRED TO PROVIDE ADEQUATE PROTECTION TO ALL WORKERS DURING CONSTRUCTION. COLEBROOKDALE RAILROAD STAFF WILL PROVIDE ALL FLAGGING AND DERAIL INSTALLATION/REMOVAL WITH PROPER COORDINATION FROM CONTRACTOR.



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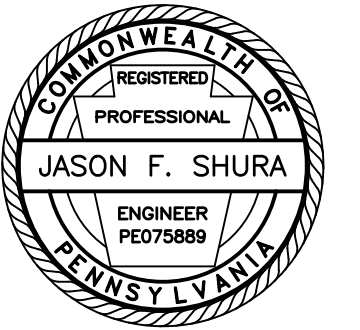
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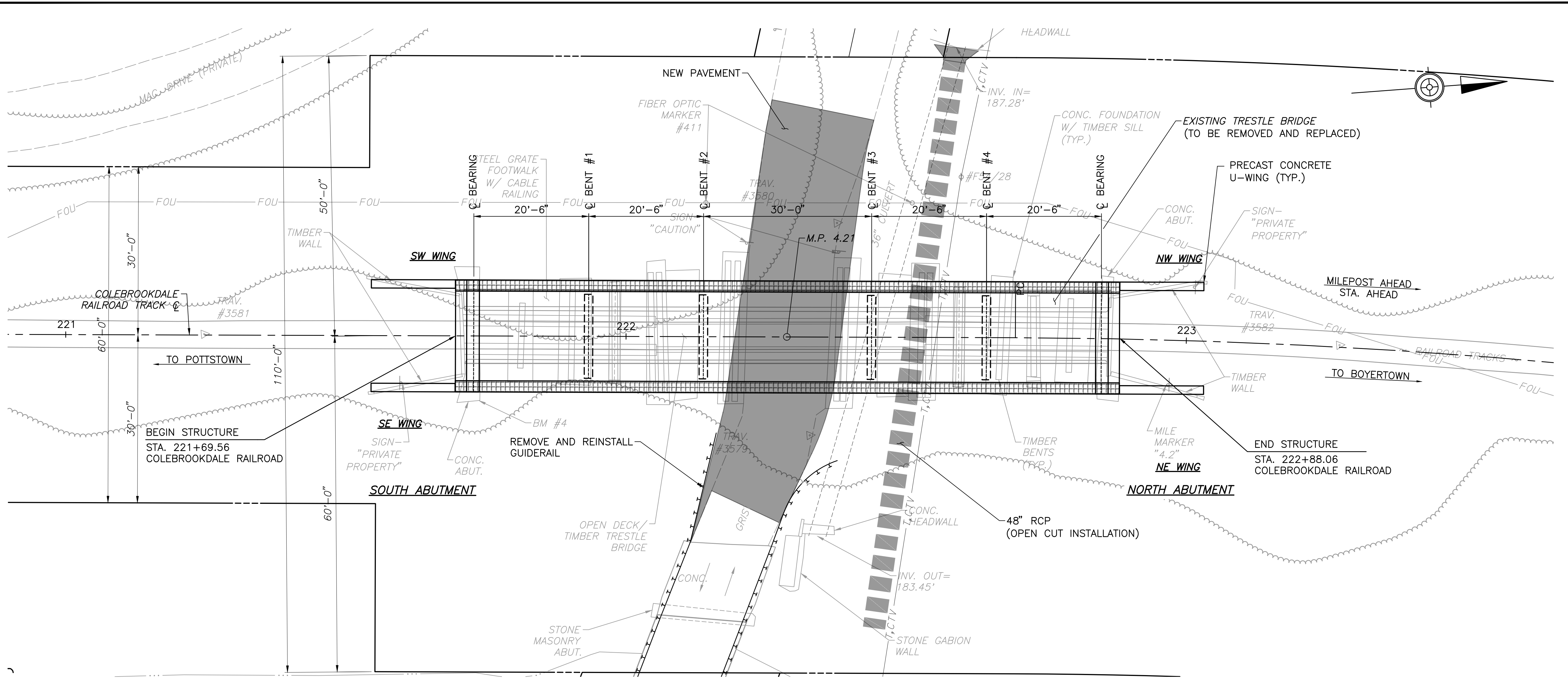
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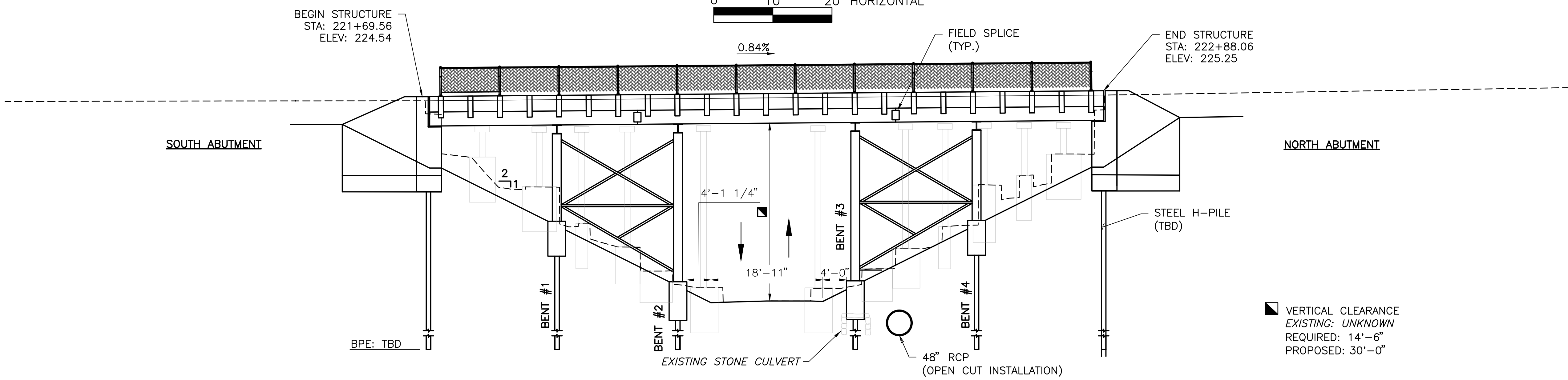
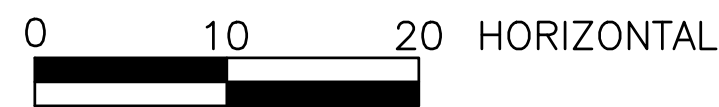
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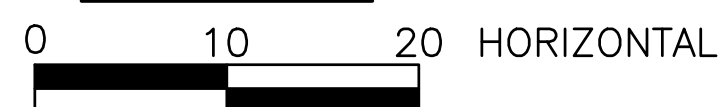
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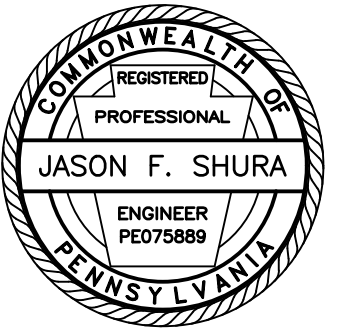
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**ELEVATION**



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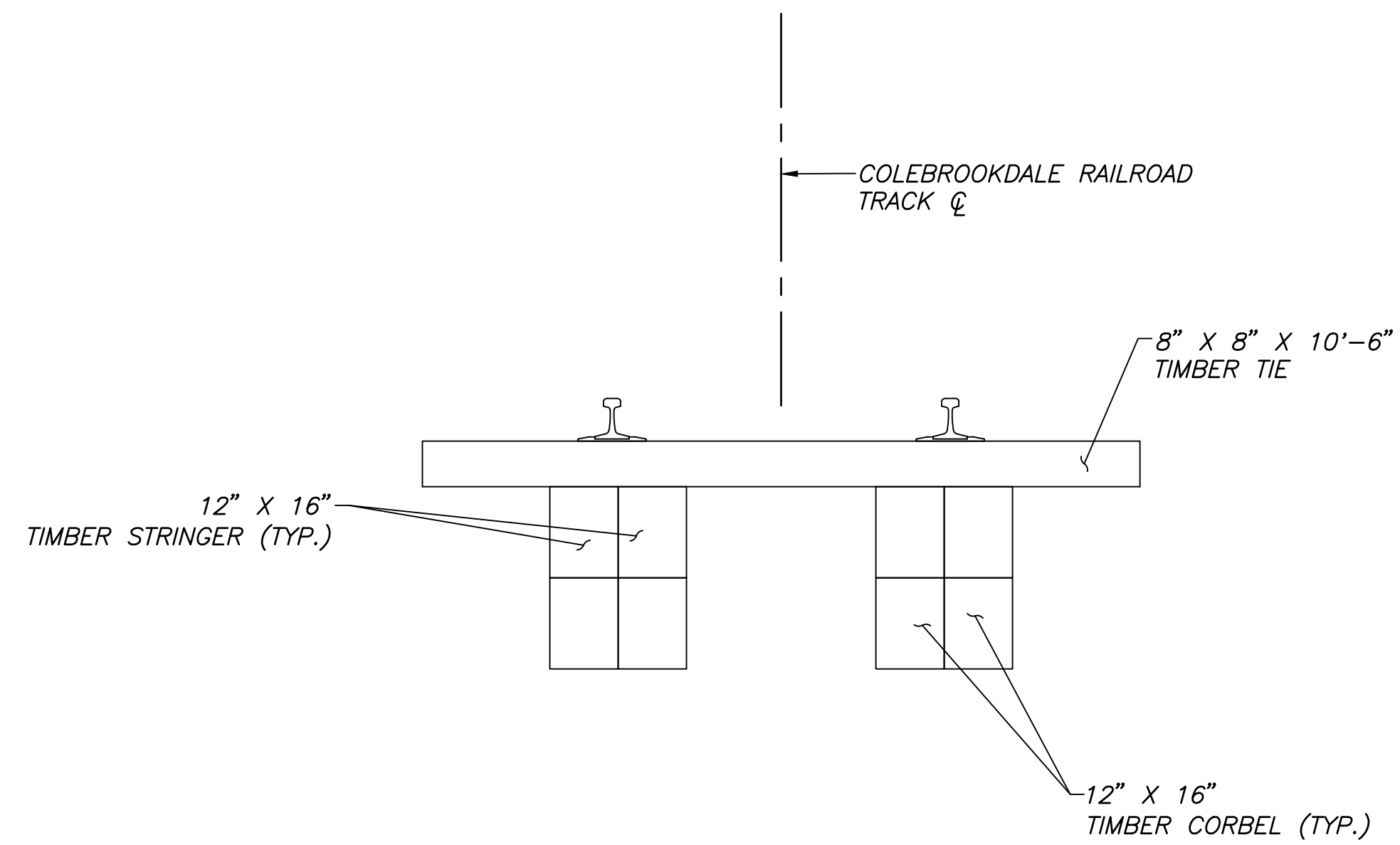
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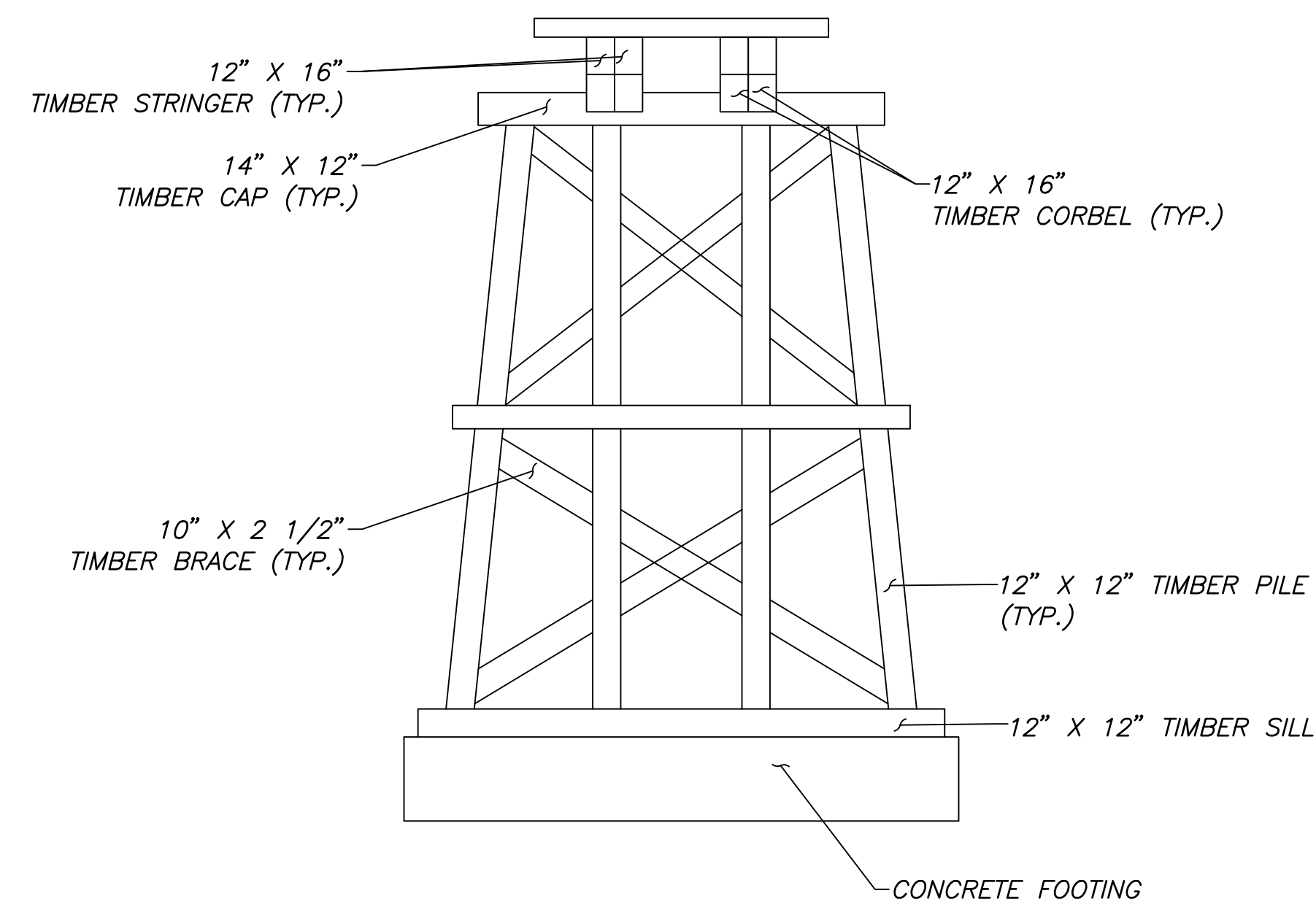
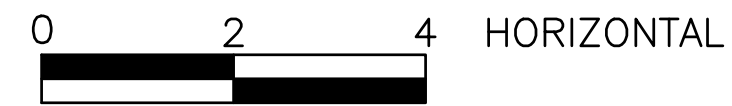
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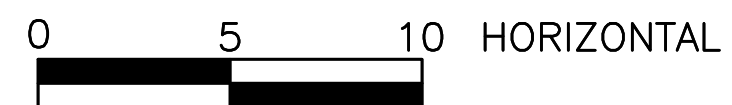
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**EXISTING TYPICAL SECTION**



**EXISTING TIMBER BENT ELEVATION**



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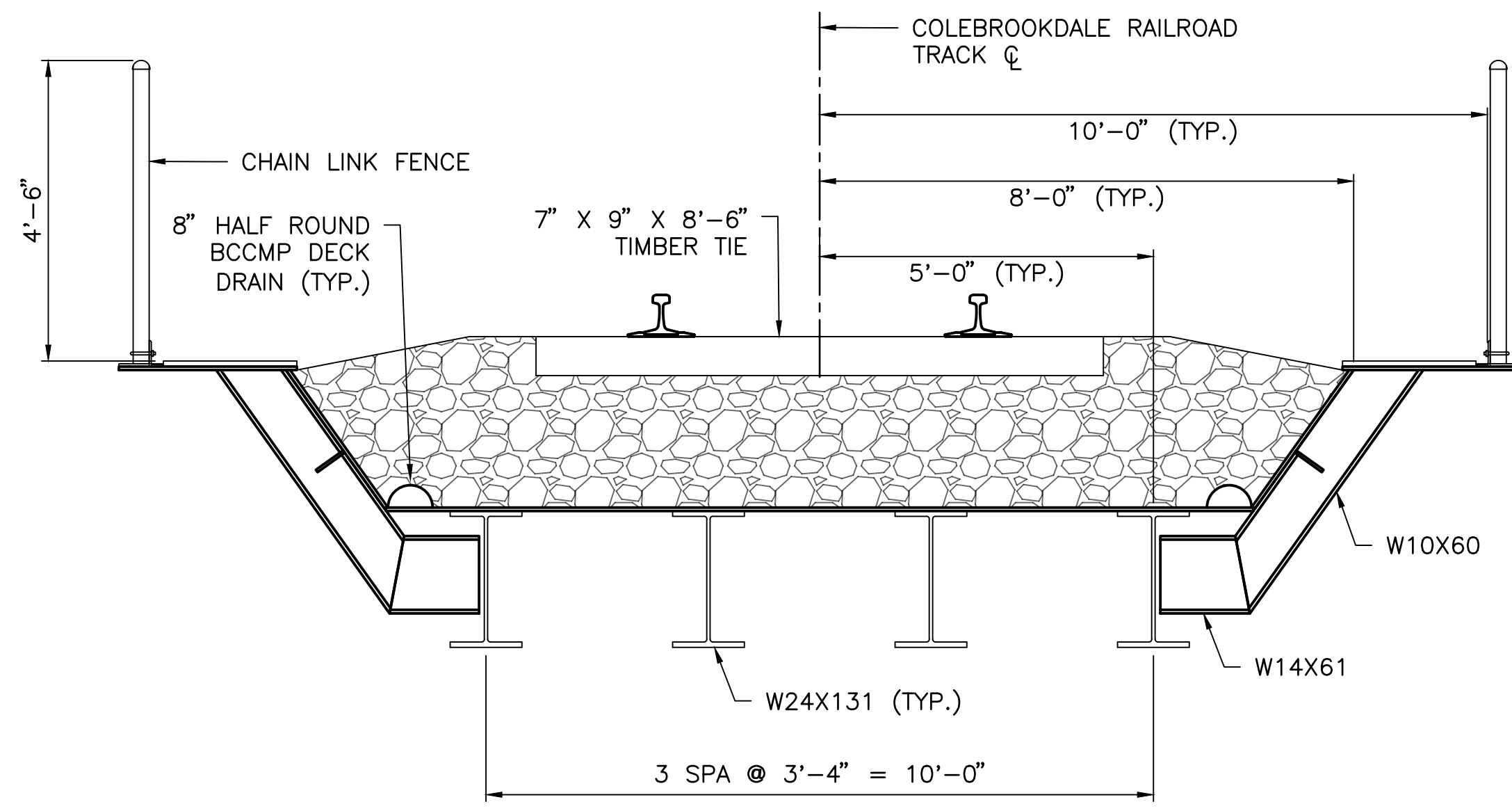
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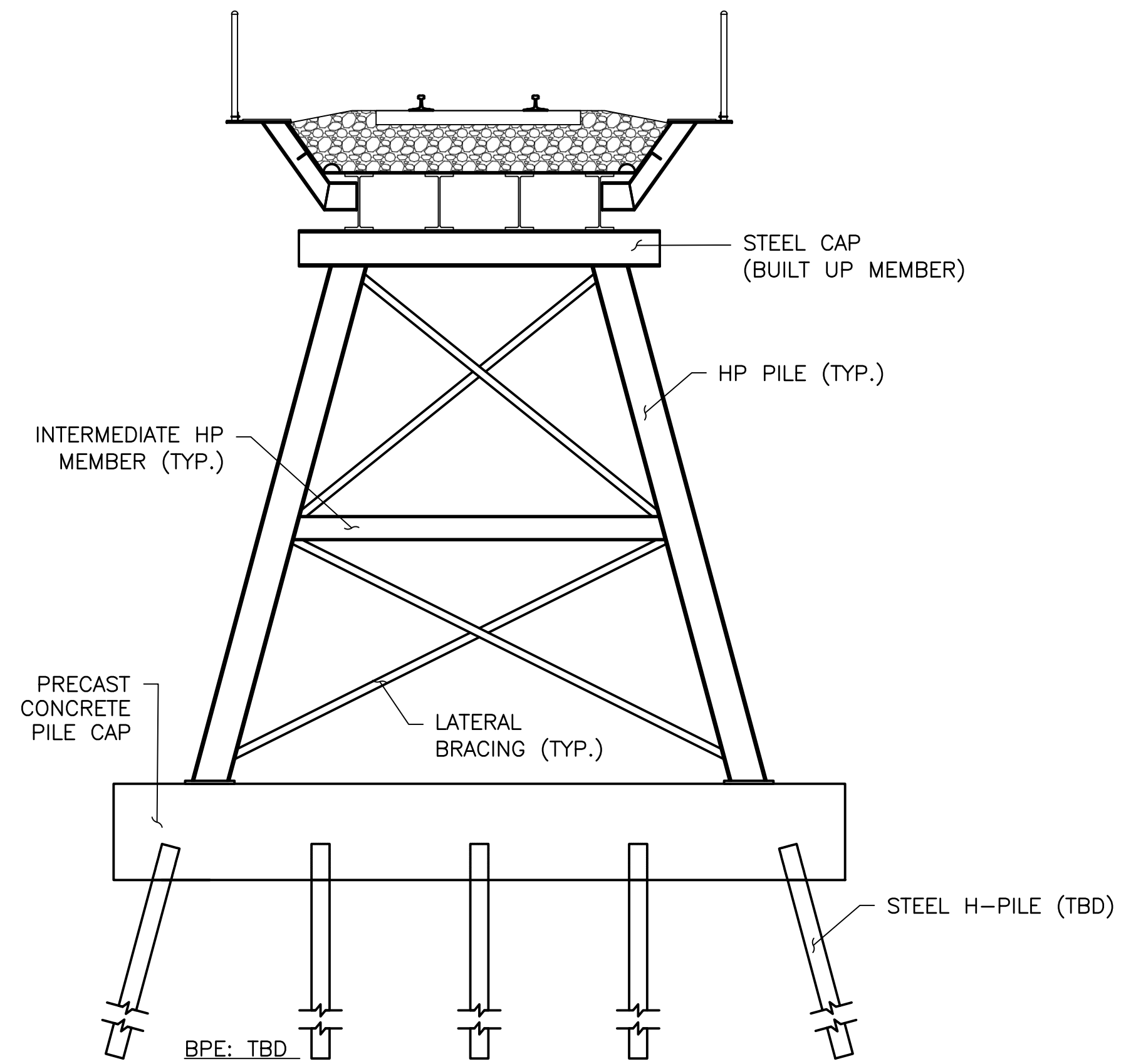
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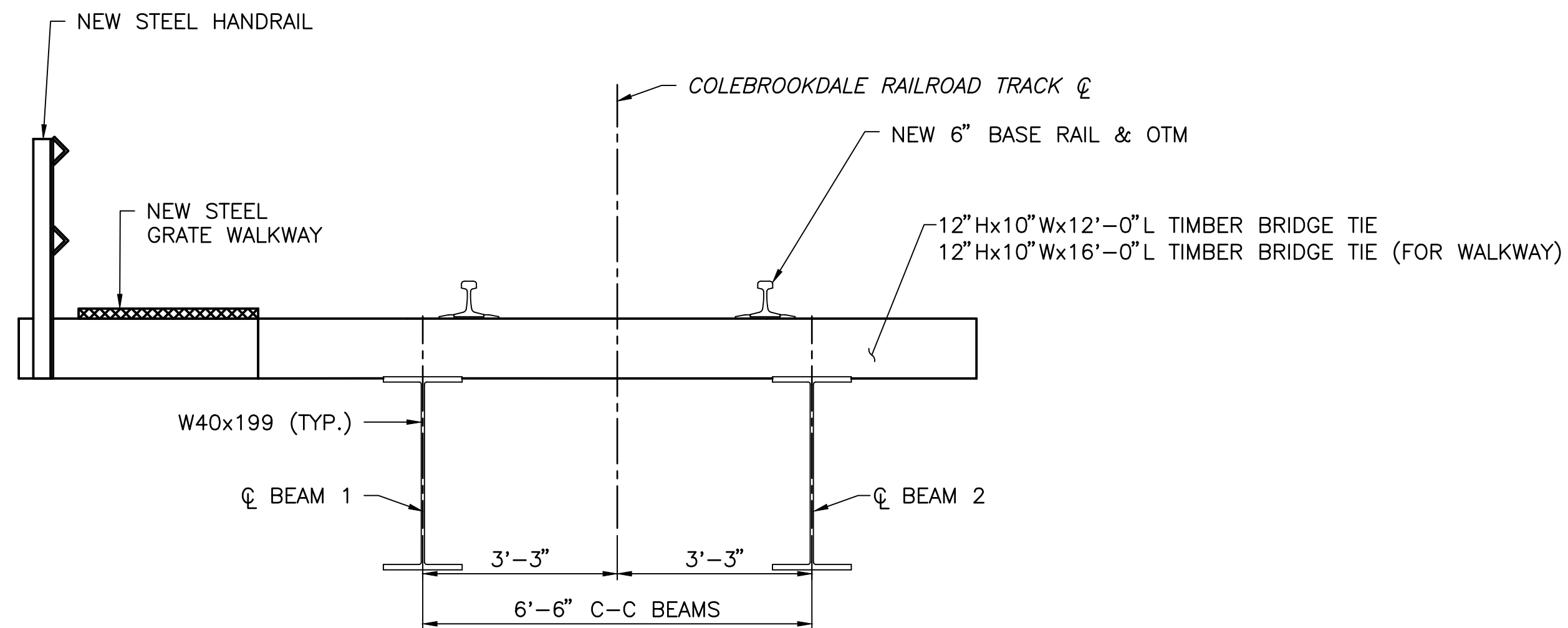
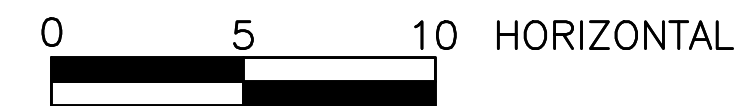
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**PROPOSED TYPICAL SECTION — ALTERNATE #1**



**PROPOSED STEEL BENT ELEVATION**



**PROPOSED TYPICAL SECTION — ALTERNATE #2**

