

# CEAO Bridge Workers, Supervisors & Engineers Conference & Trade Show

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# Preferred Superstructure Type

- Structures built through force account

# Bridge related employees:

## “The Do-ers”

Richard Gray	Bridge Worker II
Anthony (Tony) Knapke	Bridge Worker II
TJ Smalley	Bridge Supervisor

## “The Planners”

Mark Linn	Eng Tech II/Survey Tech
Aaron Moeller	Survey Design Tech/ Drainage Deputy
Jim Wiechart	Mercer Co. Engineer

# How/Why are bridge large culvert projects selected for replacement/rehab?

- Non-political/mostly engineering/non-precise logical process related to some (not all of below criteria) - As much science as art
  - General appraisal from annual inspection
  - Sufficiency Rating
  - Width of structure
  - Type of facility use of road
  - Funding opportunities

We keep & maintain a 5 year plan for large culverts/bridge replacements/rehabilitations so we at least have a script for our operations employees to know what they are likely to be working on in the next several years.

	YEAR 2015	ROAD	SURVEY
<u>TOWNSHIP</u>	<u>BRIDGE/CULV.</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DESIGN</u>
WAS	C31A-0.85B	WABASH	NO
WAS	C31A-3.32B	WABASH	NO
FRA	C163-1.34B	CHICKASAW	NO
HOP	C156-3.35C	MILLER	NO
WAS	C80-5.36C	SIEGRIST JUTTE	NO

	YEAR 2016	ROAD	SURVEY
<u>TOWNSHIP</u>	<u>BRIDGE/CULV.</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DESIGN</u>
WAS	T21C-1.21B	RAUH	YES
GIB	C61-2.12B	TOWNSHIP LINE	YES
BUT	C61-6.75B	TOWNSHIP LINE	YES
BUT	C70-5.75B	PHILOTHEA	NO
MAR	T125-0.77B	STELZER	YES/LIMITED
CEN	T171C-1.03B	KUCK	NO
CEN	C200C-1.40B	DENNY	NO
		<u>FEDERAL-AID</u>	
LIB	T190-1.99B	SCHAADT	YES

	YEAR 2017	ROAD	SURVEY
<u>TOWNSHIP</u>	<u>BRIDGE/CULV.</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DESIGN</u>
GIB	C10-1.36B	WATKINS	NO
JEF	T71A-4.01B	GAUSE	NO
CEN	T145D-0.47B	HAYES	NO
BLA	C250-0.82B	WINKLER	YES
BLA	C250-5.10B	WINKLER	NO
GIB	C10-4.20C	WATKINS	NO
REC	C21B-1.13C	WABASH	NO
REC	C21B-1.23C	WABASH	NO
REC	T56-01.02	ST. JOE	NO
BUT	C110-8.06C	ST. ANTHONY	NO
HOP	C170A-2.57C	MORROW	NO
DUB	T260-4.51C	MERCER VW CO LINE	NO
		<u>FEDERAL-AID</u>	
REC	C21B-3.50B	WABASH	YES

	YEAR 2018	ROAD	SURVEY
<u>TOWNSHIP</u>	<u>BRIDGE/CULV.</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DESIGN</u>
MAR	C00-16.97B	MER-DARKE CO LINE	YES

# Hydrology

Quantification of watershed &  
estimates of  
theoretical flow values  
(Cu.Ft./Sec.) for theoretical  
design years (10, 25, 50, 100)



# Hydraulics

From 10 year theoretical storm event, utilize ODOT nomographs to size for 0.5' head buildup on structure (similar to ODOT's sizing process)



# Scoping/designing/planning bridge

1 page field scope form filled out on site

- decision made at that time whether or not survey needed or if it can just be a field stake project.
- (In the case of a culvert as a possible replacement type) At the time of the construction, it is field staked and extend ends, no headwalls simplifies

Generally, if sizing process dictates less than 12'-14' span, we will use a reinforced concrete culvert type structure.

Generally, for structures per end area, the cost per end area is least for round culvert, more for elliptical, highest for 4-sided boxes.

So if possible, we try to utilize more round structures unless head room limitations force us into elliptical/box structures.

If the hydraulics dictate larger than 12'-14' span box, then usually a simple spill thru stub capped pile abutment design with either reinforced concrete beams (we cast up to including 40') or if necessary, a prestressed reinforced concrete non-composite box beam deck is selected. The span and skew are selected more to fit the channel.

# Simplicity, reproducibility, simple construction processes

- No back wall
- No approach slabs
- Simple closure pours on wings
- Standard 3' wide abutment design

# Our costs to cast last 3 bridge decks:

(Does not include crane costs )

( 18" deep beams - 3' wide/beam)

T21C-1.21B

C31A-3.32B

T20-1.08B

2016

2015

2013

33' wide

33' wide

36' wide

40' o/o

40' o/o

34' o/o

0° skew

0° skew

0° skew

\$21,274.16

\$20,318.51

\$12,760.92

\$16.12/sq.ft

\$15.39/sq.ft.

\$10.43/sq.ft.



For larger prestressed reinforced concrete box beams that are beyond our 40' span limit, we are at the mercy of a diminishing, consolidated prestressing market place. This is not as much of a problem on federally funded projects, but is of great concern for us looking ahead for projects funded out of our own budget.

**“THANK YOU” FOR THE BRIDGES YOU BUILD!**

