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Chapter 2 - Staking

- Minimum Staking Requirements
- Reference Points
- Benchmarks
- Common Staking Errors
- Contractor's Responsibilities

Why is good staking needed? To Avoid Major Construction Errors!

- Piling in wrong location and direction
- Columns not fitting between footing and cap
- Columns in wrong location
- Girders don't fit/ incorrect span length
- Resteel that is wrong length or bend
- Decks that do not match approach pavement
- Decks resulting in a poor ride.
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Staking preparation

- Good plan review
- Prepare field notes prior to going out into the field.
- Review Check list
 - Structure Training Manual pg 2-10
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Plan review

- Dimensions of the structure
- Check elevations from bottom of footing to finished deck.
- Verify that the roadway profile will match bridge approaches.
- Structure lengths



Check Structure Dimension



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Field Notes

- Sketch of each unit
- Dimension of each unit
- Distance from bridge Centerline to Centerline of each unit.
- Stationing of each unit
- Skew Angle
- Base & Top of Footing Elevation
- Distance from mainline centerline to bridge centerline
- Benchmark information

Maximum of one Abutment and two Bents per field note sheet.

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Figure 2.1 Typical Page of Field Notes for Structure Staking

Minimum Staking Requirements

- Bridges Department to provide stakes to establish elevation, location and alignment for each abutment
- Box Culverts Department to provide stakes to establish elevation, location, and alignment of both ends of box culvert

Review Structure Staking with Survey Crew



Reference Points

- Permanent points set beyond work activities
- Minimum of 2 points on each end (100' and 500')
- Offset points set to reestablish reference points if needed
- Set at centerline of each abutment and bent
- Set along skew if skewed bridge









OFFSET POINTS

Offset Points on 0 Degree Skewed Bridge





Place all stakes on solid ground!

Offset Points on Skewed Bridge

Structure on Skew 30° R.H.F





Reference Points for Footings





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HYDRALILIC DATA





Reference Stakes





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Benchmarks

- Set two benchmarks
- One for higher elevations bent columns, bent caps, bearings, girders, etc.
- One for lower elevations footings, piling, abutments, etc.



Fig. 2.10 - Bridge Benchmark Locations

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BENCHMARK



CHECKING/TYING BENCHMARKS Page 2-18, Fig 2.11

Figure 2.11 Checking/Tying Benchmarks

Carry Elevations Through to Insure Accuracy



Common Staking Errors

- NOT Verifying benchmarks set before use
- Turning wrong skew angle
- Errors in measuring distances, lengths
- Using wrong working points and lines
- Centerline of bridge is not always centerline of road
- Never assume stakes or benchmarks haven't been moved
- Not tying into a 2nd BM when checking/setting elevations.

Contractor's Responsibilities

- Contractor's responsibility to provide all other stakes required to successfully complete the construction of bridge or box culvert
- Department does initial staking of abutments and box culvert centerlines
- Should always be checking each other

Check!, Check!, Check!, Check!

Check Contractor Staking

- Equipment Problems
- Contractor misread plans
- Reference Points disturbed
- Verify Grades
 - Damaged Equipment
 - Misread level road
 - Calculation errors
 - Numbers transposed incorrectly in field book

Etc.





Column constructed out of alignment and plumb.



BREAKTIME: 10 MINUTES!!