



Design of First FRP Reinforced Concrete Bridge in Florida Halls River Project



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Introduction

- Corrosion Issues
- FRP (Fiber Reinforced Polymer) Reinforcing
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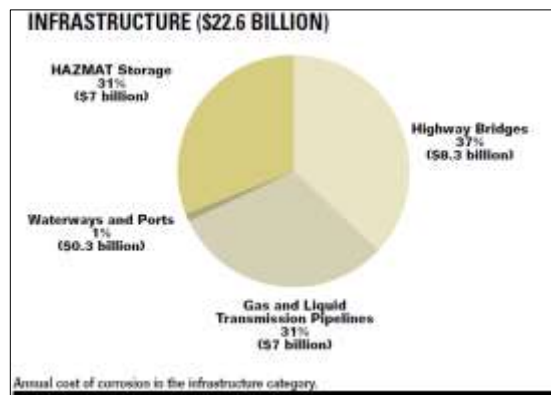


Corrosion Issues

- Corrosion of steel reinforcing
 - Premature deterioration of concrete structures
 - Reduction in capacity and service life
 - High costs for rehabilitation and/or replacement



Corrosion Costs



Source: "Costs & Preventive Strategies in the U.S.", FHWA/NACE 2002

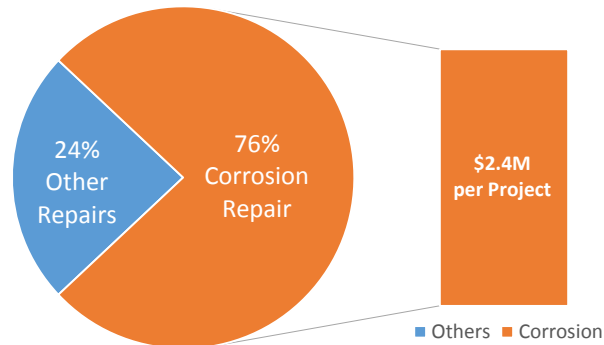


Corrosion Costs

District 7 (FY 02/03 to Present)

54 Total projects:

- 20 Steel
- 34 Concrete



Source: FDOT D7 District Structures Maintenance Office (DSMO) & TY. Lin



Corrosion Issues

- Concrete Alkalinity:
 - Provides initial corrosion protection for steel bars
 - Reduces in aggressive environments
 - Highway Deicers
 - Marine/Coastal Environments
 - Contaminated soils (high chloride/sulfate concentration)
- Concrete Cracks:
 - Due to shrinkage, creep, temperature, settlement, etc.
 - Localized corrosion (where crack intersects rebar)



Prevention Methods

- Existing Concrete Structures
 - Pile Jacket
 - FRP Wrapping
 - Cathodic Protection
 - New Concrete Structures
 - Adequate Concrete Cover
 - Concrete Quality
 - Corrosion Inhibiting Admixtures
 - Prefabricated FRP beam: **Hybrid Composite Beam**
 - Alternative Reinforcements
- Galvanized
 - ECR
 - Z-bar
 - Stainless
 - Epoxy
 - **FRP**



FRP Reinforcing

- FRP Bar: Fiber-Reinforced Polymer rebar
- Rebar made of fibers embedded in polymeric resin
 - Superior to either component alone
 - Each component retains its own chemical and physical properties



FRP Reinforcing

- Fibers purpose:
 - Strength
 - Stiffness
 - Toughness
 - Durability
- Resin purpose:
 - Holds fibers together
 - Protects fibers from environment/abrasion
 - Transfers load between fibers (shear)



FRP Reinforcing

- Fiber types:
 - ✓ Glass → Preferred choice for RC applications:
 - Balance between cost and strength
 - Carbon
 - Aramid
 - Basalt
- Resin (Thermoset) types:
 - ✓ Vinyl ester → Preferred choice for RC applications:
 - Good alkali resistance
 - Good adhesion to concrete
 - Polyester
 - Epoxy



FRP Reinforcing

Advantages:

- Corrosion Resistant
- High Strength
- Lightweight
- Fatigue Endurance
 - Aramid FRP bars susceptible to fatigue
- Nonmagnetic
- Low Thermal and Electrical Conductivity



FRP Reinforcing

Main Disadvantages:

- High initial cost
- Brittle failure



FRP Reinforcing

Design Considerations:

- Low shear strength relative to tensile strength
- Low modulus of elasticity
- Creep under sustained loading
- Elevated Temperature
- Moisture
- Ultra-Violet Radiation



FRP Reinforcing

Factors Affecting Material Properties:

- Fiber type
- Fiber volume ratio
- Fiber orientation
- Manufacturing process and quality control
- Rate of resin curing
- Temperature
- Void content



FRP Reinforcing

Table 5.2—ASTM standard reinforcing bars

Bar size designation		Nominal diameter, in. (mm)	Area, in. ² (mm ²)
Standard	Metric conversion		
No. 2	No. 6	0.250 (6.4)	0.05 (31.6)
No. 3	No. 10	0.375 (9.5)	0.11 (71)
No. 4	No. 13	0.500 (12.7)	0.20 (129)
No. 5	No. 16	0.625 (15.9)	0.31 (199)
No. 6	No. 19	0.750 (19.1)	0.44 (284)
No. 7	No. 22	0.875 (22.2)	0.60 (387)
No. 8	No. 25	1.000 (25.4)	0.79 (510)
No. 9	No. 29	1.128 (28.7)	1.00 (645)
No. 10	No. 32	1.270 (32.3)	1.27 (819)
No. 11	No. 36	1.410 (35.8)	1.56 (1006)

Source: ACI 440.1R



FRP Reinforcing

Table 3.1—Typical densities of reinforcing bars, lb/ft³ (g/cm³)

Steel	GFRP	CFRP	AFRP
493.00 (7.90)	77.8 to 131.00 (1.25 to 2.10)	93.3 to 100.00 (1.50 to 1.60)	77.80 to 88.10 (1.25 to 1.40)

Source: ACI 440.1R



FRP Reinforcing

Table 5.1—Minimum modulus of elasticity, by fiber type, for reinforcing bars

	Modulus grade, $\times 10^3$ ksi (GPa)
GFRP bars	E5.7 (39.3)
AFRP bars	E10.0 (68.9)
CFRP bars	E16.0 (110.3)

Source: ACI 440.1R



FRP Reinforcing

Table 3.2—Typical coefficients of thermal expansion for reinforcing bars*

Direction	CTE, $\times 10^{-6}/^{\circ}\text{F}$ ($\times 10^{-6}/^{\circ}\text{C}$)			
	Steel	GFRP	CFRP	AFRP
Longitudinal, α_L	6.5 (11.7)	3.3 to 5.6 (6.0 to 10.0)	-4.0 to 0.0 (-9.0 to 0.0)	-3.3 to -1.1 (-6 to -2)
Transverse, α_T	6.5 (11.7)	11.7 to 12.8 (21.0 to 23.0)	41 to 58 (74.0 to 104.0)	33.3 to 44.4 (60.0 to 80.0)

*Typical values for fiber volume fraction ranging from 0.5 to 0.7.

Source: ACI 440.1R



FRP Reinforcing

Table 3.3—Usual tensile properties of reinforcing bars^a

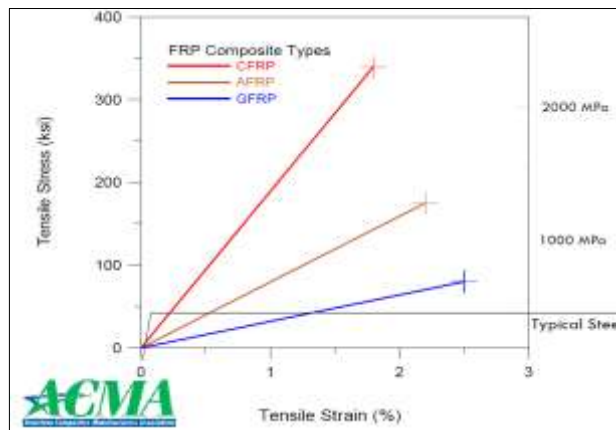
	Steel	GFRP	CFRP	AFRP
Nominal yield stress, ksi (MPa)	40 to 75 (276 to 517)	N/A	N/A	N/A
Tensile strength, ksi (MPa)	70 to 100 (483 to 690)	70 to 230 (483 to 1600)	87 to 535 (600 to 3690)	250 to 368 (1720 to 2540)
Elastic modulus, $\times 10^3$ ksi (GPa)	29.0 (200.0)	5.1 to 7.4 (35.0 to 51.0)	15.9 to 84.0 (120.0 to 580.0)	6.0 to 18.2 (41.0 to 125.0)
Yield strain, %	0.14 to 0.25	N/A	N/A	N/A
Rupture strain, %	6.0 to 12.0	1.2 to 3.1	0.5 to 1.7	1.9 to 4.4

^aTypical values for fiber volume fractions ranging from 0.5 to 0.7.

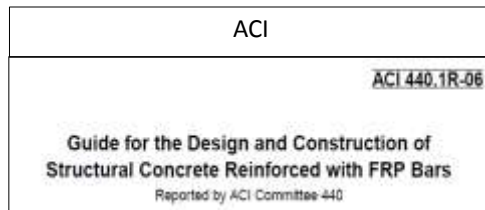
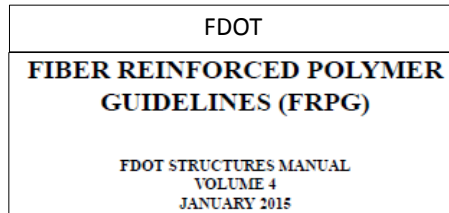
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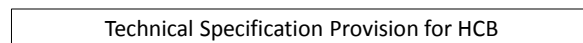
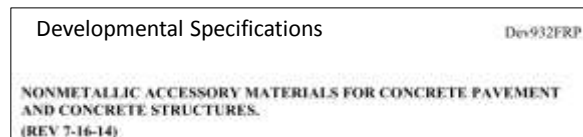
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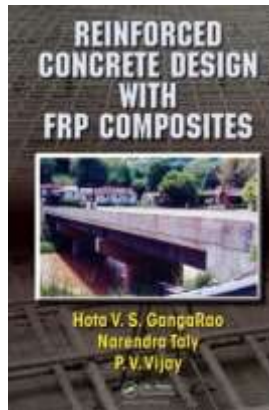


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References



Halls River Project

- Project Overview
- Construction



Project Overview

- Collaboration
- Information
- Existing Bridge
- Proposed Bridge
- GFRP, CFCC, and HCB Projects
- Cost Estimates



Project Overview: Collaboration

- FDOT Structures Design Office
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- FDOT Structures Research Center
 - Will Potter, P.E.
- FDOT Materials Office
 - Chase Knight, Ph.D.
- University of Miami – Composite Research Center
 - Antonio Nanni, Ph.D., P.E.
- HCB inventors
 - John Hillman, P.E. and Michael Zicko



Project Overview: Information

- Category II Structure
 - New bridge using FRP composite materials (1st in Florida)
- FRP Composite Materials
 - Glass FRP reinforcement (deck, bent cap, and bulkhead)
 - Carbon FRP reinforcement (square and sheet concrete piles)
 - Hybrid Composite Beams



Project Overview: Information



- Owner
- Maintaining Agency

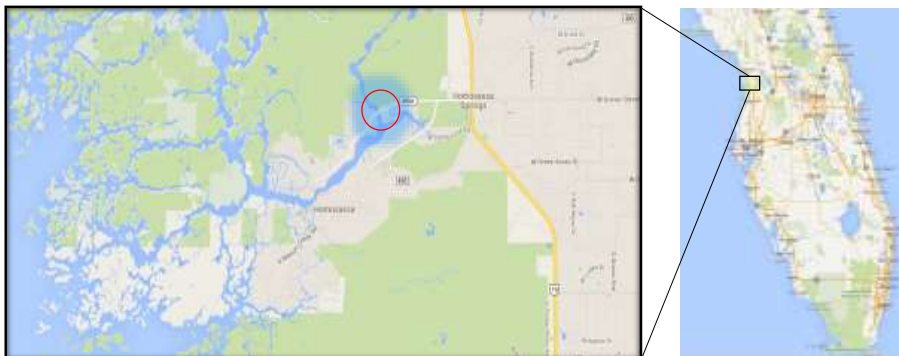


- Bi-Annual Inspection
- Design and Build Proposed Bridge



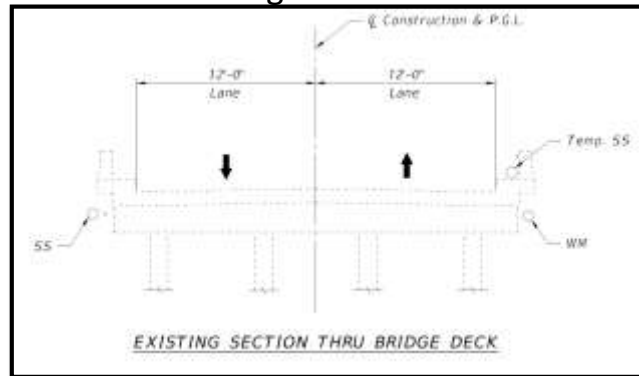
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Bridge Location



Project Overview: Existing Bridge

Existing Cross Section

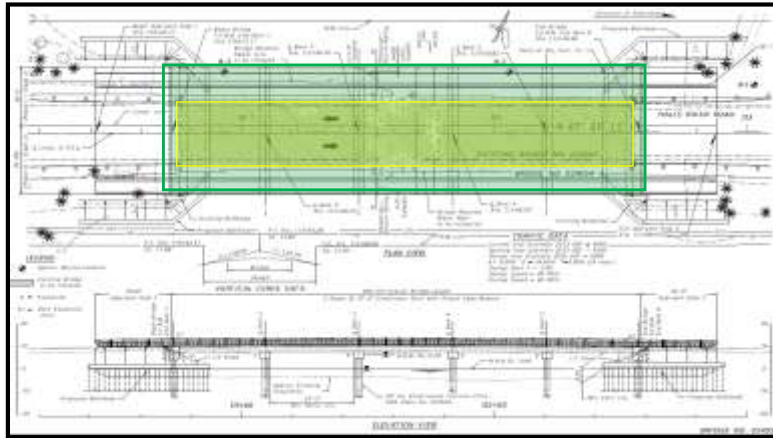


Project Overview: Existing Bridge

Existing Spans Configuration



Project Overview: Proposed Bridge

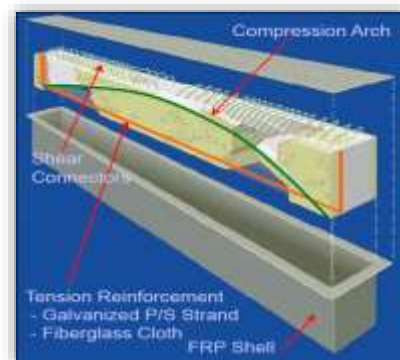


Project Overview: Proposed Bridge

Glass Fiber Reinforced (GFRP) Bars



Hybrid Composite Beam (HCB)



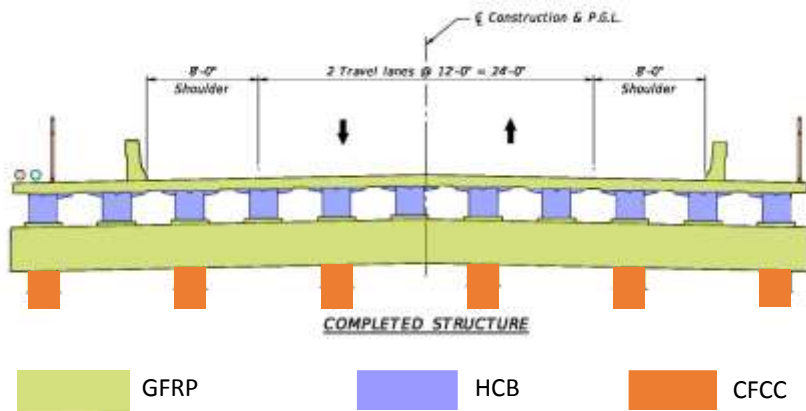
Carbon Fiber Composite Cable (CFCC)



HYBRID COMPOSITE BEAM (HCB)



Project Overview: Proposed Bridge



Project Overview: GFRP Projects



Project Overview: CFCC Projects



Project Overview: HCB Projects



Project Overview: Estimated Cost

Cost Per Unit Deck Area

Bridge Type	\$/SF
Conventional Concrete Bridge (PSB, Steel Reinforcement)	166.00
Proposed Composite Bridge (HCB, FRP Reinforcement)	282.00



Construction

- Halls River Bridge: Phase Construction
- CFCC Piles
- Hybrid Composite Beam (HCB)
- FRP Bars
 - Handling and Storage
 - Placement and Assembly



Construction: Phase Construction

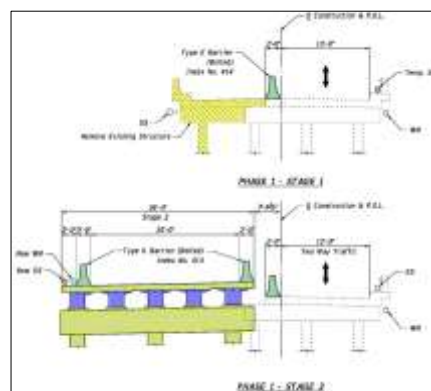
Phase 1 Sequence

Stage 1:

- Setup traffic (1 lane-2 way) and install Type K Barrier.
- Relocate Sewer Line to temporary location.
- Remove portion of Existing Bridge.

Stage 2:

- Construct Phase 1 of New Bridge.
- Install new Water and Sewer Lines in permanent location.
- Install Type K Barriers for Phase 2 Traffic.

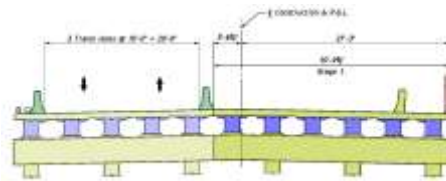


Construction: Phase Construction

Phase 2 Sequence

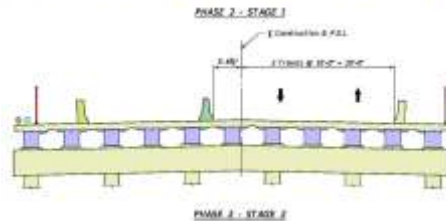
Stage 1:

- Shift traffic to Phase 1 of new Bridge (2 lane-2way).
- Construct Phase 2 of New Bridge with Traffic Railing and Pedestrian Railing.



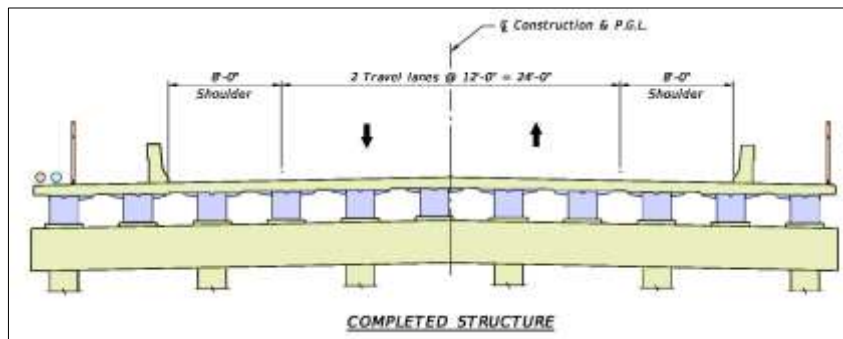
Stage 2:

- Shift traffic to Phase 2 of new Bridge (2 lane-2way).
- Construct Traffic Railing and Pedestrian Railing on Phase 1 portion of new Bridge.



Construction: Phase Construction

Final Configuration



Construction: Phase Construction



Construction: Phase Construction

Riverhaven Bridge: Construction Phasing



Construction: Phase Construction

Riverhaven Bridge: Utility Accommodation



Construction: CFCC Piles

- FDOT Research:
 - Field Testing:
 - Installation and Behavior.
 - Lab Testing
 - Material and Capacity.
- Pile Production
 - Similar to conventional piles.
 - Handling of CFCC strands to prevent damage.
- Installation
 - Driving method and behavior similar to conventional piles.
 - Research found strength and capacity similar to conventional piles.



Construction: HCB

- Lightweight:
 - 33% less weight than standard concrete beam (includes concrete fill).
 - 80% less concrete than standard concrete beam.
 - 75%-80% fewer trucks required for shipping.
 - Smaller cranes for placement.
 - Accelerated beam installation.



Construction: HCB

- Fabrication
 - Current Locations:
 - Maine
 - Texas
 - New Approved Locations:
 - North Carolina
 - South Dakota
 - Seattle
 - Currently no fabrication plants in Florida.



Construction: HCB

Fabrication



HYBRID COMPOSITE BEAMS



STANDARD CONCRETE BEAMS



Construction: HCB

Handling and Storage



HYBRID COMPOSITE BEAMS



STANDARD CONCRETE BEAMS



Construction: HCB

Transportation



HYBRID COMPOSITE BEAMS (Union Street, ME)
9.0 kips x 4= 36 kips Total
70 ft. beams



PRESTRESSED SLAB BEAMS (Gospel Island, FL)
25 kips x 2 = 50 kips Total
39 ft. beams



Construction: HCB

Installation



HYBRID COMPOSITE BEAMS



STANDARD CONCRETE BEAMS



Construction: FRP Bars

- Minimize damage to FRP bars
- Handling, storage, and placement
 - Similar to coated bar (epoxy or galvanized)
- ACI 440.5-08 “Specification for Construction with FRP Bars”



Construction: FRP Bars

Handling & Storage

- FRP bars vulnerable to surface damage

Checklist: Handling and Storage of FRP Rebars	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Store bars in a clean environment
	Protect bars against:
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	- UV radiation
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	- High temperature
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	- Damaging chemicals
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Lift bundles of bars with care
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Do not shear bars when cutting
SAFETY: Work gloves should be worn at all times	
*In addition to typical safety precautions and procedures.	



Construction: FRP Bars

Placement & Assembly

- Follow Manufacturers' guidelines

Checklist: Placement and Assembly of FRP Rebars	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Oil, grease, dirt, removed from bars
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Bars placed as specified by Engineer
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Tie type as specified by Engineer
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Rebar chair type as specified by Engineer
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No direct contact between CFRP and steel
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No mechanical bar splices (lap splices only)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Reinforcement tied down to prevent floating
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Care taken during concrete vibrating
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No walking on bars (sometimes permitted)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Bendshooks may not be fabricated on-site
SAFETY - Steel gloves and eye protection must be worn at all times.	
In addition to typical safety precautions and procedures.	



Summary:

- Pilot project
 - Pilot/Experimental project
 - First of its kind in Florida
 - FDOT Central Office and FHWA oversight
 - Long-term monitoring
 - FDOT Structures Research Center and State Materials Office
- Use of corrosion resistant materials
 - Glass FRP rebar
 - Carbon FRP strands
 - Hybrid Composite Beams
- \$3.2M estimated costs



Thank you.

Questions?

