DESIGN GUIDE MD #3

BRIDGES FOR LIVESTOCK AND AGRICULTURAL EQUIPMENT

CONSTRUCTION DETAILS AND SPECIFICATIONS

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SECTION I

GENERAL

This design guide is a technical resource prepared by the Maryland NRCS Engineering staff and is intended for use by the NRCS in Maryland and its partners. The bridge designs contained in this design guide are offered as an alternative to other types of stream crossing such as fords and culvert bridges. These prequalified designs are to be used as part of a site-specific design. Construction drawings for bridges of various uses and sizes are included, as well as other appropriate construction details and specifications. The bridge designs contained in this design guide are for on farm use only.

Section II contains a general operation and maintenance plan for the bridges.

Section III contains the construction specifications to be used as part of the site-specific design. These construction specifications are to be used for all bridge designs facilities. Add site specific construction specifications as needed.

Section IV contains the beam selection tables to be used for the different uses as shown in the design guide.

Section V contains the appropriate construction drawings for the agricultural bridges.

Section VI contains construction details for the agricultural bridge components.

To aid in the design process, the drawings, design guide text and specifications are available on the Maryland Home Page. No changes are allowed on these details without prior approval from the NRCS engineering staff.

DESIGN

Loading:

Several different design loads were chosen for varying situations. For livestock and tractor loads, 100 psf (unfactored) and 5000 lbs. per wheel (unfactored) respectively were utilized in the design of the beams. This information was taken from Midwest Plan Service, Structure and Environment Handbook, 11th Edition 1983 page 102.1. Tandem wheel tractors and tandem axle trucks are not covered in this design guide.

In addition to the above designs, loadings for vehicle types 4 ton GVW, H10, H20 and 40 ton GVW have been included. See figure 1 for gross vehicle weights (GVW) and load distributions. These loadings will cover such vehicles as lime and grain trucks.

Design Procrues:

The design of the steel beams follows the procedures of the Manual of Steel Construction; Load & Resistance Factor Design 1st edition. Load factors of 1.2 and 1.6 were used for dead load and live load factoring, respectively. The bridge is designed assuming one vehicle, moving at low speeds, is on the bridge or fully loaded with livestock whichever yields the greatest load for the scenarios given.

The design of the wooden deck follows the procedures of the Timber Bridges; Design, Construction, Inspection, and Maintenance, U.S. Forest Service, June 1990. Load factors of 1.2 and 1.6 were used for dead load and live load factoring, respectively.
The bridge deck is not designed to carry the vehicular loads. The beam carries the load of the vehicle. The dimensioning of the bridge has been designed so that the wheels pass directly over the beam. It is important that the appropriate bridge design be chosen for the equipment being used. The wooden deck is designed to carry full livestock loads. Bridges TB-1 and TB-3 require a wooden deck with a minimum width of 8 inches while bridge TB-2 requires a wooden deck with a minimum width of 10 inches. In all cases, wider lumber may be used.

SITE SELECTION

To help reduce costs, the bridges have been designed without headwalls. Bearing pads are used for supporting the bridge beams. The intent of the bearing pad is to extend the bridge beams beyond the top of the bank and back onto stable ground surrounding the stream channel. The soil where the bearing pad sits requires a minimum soil bearing capacity of 2000 psf. When using the 24-inch wide pad option with an H20 truck loading, the minimum soil bearing capacity required is 2600 psf. In order for the bearing pads to function properly, several things must be considered when siting the bridge location. The stream channel must be stable. If the stream channel is degrading or has active bank erosion, actions must be taken to eliminate these problems first. Natural stability techniques should be utilized when possible.

Two different bearing pad options are given. Option #1 (Detail TB-3D) shows a 4-foot wide bearing pad. The streamside face of the bearing pad must be located a minimum distance of a 1.5:1 (from top of pad to stream bottom) horizontal projection from the toe of streambank. This is a minimum projection. In areas where the stream bank slope is flatter than 1.5:1, increase the horizontal projection to that of the streambank slope. This is to avoid obstructing the stream channel.

In areas where it is impractical or impossible to meet the conditions for option #1 shown above, option #2 (Detail TB-4D) is an alternative. The bearing pad is designed as bulk footing. The depth of the bearing pad is increased to extend into the bank until the 1.5:1 horizontal protection can be achieved. The bearing pad shall have a minimum depth of 2 feet and a maximum depth of 6 feet. In areas where the streambank height is less than 6 feet, consider extending the pad to the elevation of the stream bottom or below.

The beams are to be attached to the bearing pads by using anchor bolts. Two anchor bolts are required for each beam end. The anchor bolts shall consist of A36 steel; have a minimum diameter of 1/2 inches and a length of 6 inches. Cast the anchor bolts 4 inches into the concrete and set adjacent to the beam flange, one on each side. Place oversized washers or ¼-inch steel plates over the beam flange and onto the anchor bolt. Nuts shall be snug by hand so as to not over tighten. As an alternative to the anchor bolts, #4 steel rebar (8 inches long) may be used by setting the rebar into the concrete (minimum 4 inches) adjacent to the beam flange. Once the beams have been set, the rebar is then bent to overlap the flange of the beam to hold them in place. A tight fit is not required, only overlapping.

PROCEDURE

Determine the appropriate use for the bridge. Will it involve livestock, equipment, or both? What size and type of equipment will be used? Choose a bridge location; consider planned usage, livestock patterns, stability of the stream channel, and planned...
changes being made to the system. Choose a location where the bridge can be
constructed straight across the stream channel and not on a skew. Constructing the
bridge on a skew will increase costs and complicate construction. If the stream channel is
not stable, measures will be needed to stabilize the channel. Imbricated riprap or riprap
slope protection may be needed along the bank, under the bridge. If the stream channel
is degrading, stabilization of the channel is critical. It is not enough to look only at the site
when determining if channel degradation is occurring. The stream channel downstream of
the bridge must be reviewed for active head cutting.

Survey the site. Take cross-sections as needed of the stream channel. Extend the
cross-sections a minimum of 25 feet from the top of bank. Take a profile of the stream
channel and extend the profile a minimum of 100 feet upstream and 100 feet downstream
of the proposed crossing location.

Determine the location and type of bearing pads using the criteria shown in the Site
Selection section. Once the bearing pad location is set, the length of beam can be
determined. The beam selection tables are based on the clear span of the beam for the
different options shown. The clear span is the distance between the stream side faces of
the bearing pads. The clear span shown in the tables is the maximum for that given
beam. For example, if the design requires a beam with a clear span of 22 feet, use a
beam selected from the 25-foot section of the table.

The beam sizes are given in W-shape designation. A beam designated as W12x26
is a wide (W) flange beam, with an approximate height of 12 inches and weighs 26
lbs./foot. Five different beam options are given for each loading scenario. In general, for
the choices given, the most efficient beam size will be the one with the largest height.
These have greater strength and less deflection than others in the group. In some
situations, beams that are shorter in height may be needed. Deflection, when the beam is
loaded, is also shown in the tables. This is provided to give the user information on how
the beam will perform. Beams with larger deflections will apply greater stresses on the
wood plate and deck. This may require more frequent need to replace the material.
When selecting a beam, consider the efficiency of the beam and the expected deflection
that will occur when loaded.

Construction details and specifications are provided. These are to be used as part
of a site-specific design. There will be no changes in the drawings or specifications
without approval from the NRCS engineer.

MATERIALS

Steel beams, plates, angles and braces shall consist of ASTM A36 steel with
minimum yield strength of 36 KSI. A minimum of one coat of primer is required on all
steel.

Wood for decking and plates shall be Southern Yellow Pine No. 2 rough sawn,
Mixed Oak visually graded No. 2 rough sawn, or better. Preservative treatment of
chromated copper arsenate (CCA type A, B, or C) with a minimum retention of 0.4 pounds
per cubic foot, or its equivalent replacement, is **required** when using the Southern Yellow
Pine, any other softwood, or when using the nail laminated deck option.

Preservative treated of White Oak lumber is not required; however, it is highly
recommended. Preservative treatment of Red Oak is required. Other hardwoods may
require treatment and will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis. Preservative treat hardwood lumber using preservatives containing Copper Naphthenate (minimum 8% active ingredient) applied in the field by brush, spray or dipping. Copper Naphthenate generally comes in a green or brown color and will discolor the wood. An applicator license is not required for this product. The product is to be applied and maintained in accordance with manufacturer recommendations. When field applying Copper Naphthenate apply the first coat before the lumber has been installed on the beams. Apply the second coat, after the lumber is installed, to all exposed surfaces. Other types and methods of preservative treatment can also be considered.

With either option, the landowner must be in agreement to maintain, inspect and replace any damaged or rotting lumber as needed. This must be covered in the operation and maintenance plan.

DECKING OPTIONS

Three different deck options are included within the design guide. The first option uses standard rough sawn planking with widths of 8 inches or 10 inches, width dependent on bridge type, and a depth of 3 inches.

The second option uses a nail laminated deck of treated 2-inch by 4-inch lumber. This option has increased strength over the first option and should be considered when the use of the bridge is for livestock. Unlike the first option where the load of the animal is supported by individual boards, the load on the nail laminated deck is supported over many boards and reduces the chance of an animal stepping through a damaged piece of lumber.

Since 1985, a number of agricultural bridges, using a prestressed concrete deck with a cast in place concrete wearing surface, have been constructed over the state. These bridges have utilized a prestressed concrete deck that is constructed by Nitterhouse Concrete Products. The actual design of the deck is performed by Nitterhouse Concrete Products. These decks can support an HS-20 loading, as well as livestock up to a maximum deck length of 27 feet. A case-by-case design is required for each site. Nitterhouse Concrete Products will perform the design for the prestressed concrete deck, provide structural computations, and work with the field office to develop shop drawings for the prestressed concrete deck. A site specific design is required for the bridge.

DECISION RECORDING

There are many design options available that will affect the design, construction and operation and maintenance of the bridge. Recording of decisions and events is an important part of the design process. It is important that all decisions are recorded in the CPA-6 and the Operation and Maintenance Plan and construction plans are carefully reviewed with the landowner.
H20 HAS GROSS VEHICLE WEIGHT OF 40,000 LBS (20 TON)
H10 HAS GROSS VEHICLE WEIGHT OF 20,000 LBS (10 TON)

GROSS VEHICLE WEIGHT (GVW) IS THE TOTAL MAXIMUM WEIGHT
OF THE VEHICLE LOADED

H 20  8,000 lbs  32,000 lbs Axle Load
H 10  4,000 lbs  16,000 lbs Axle Load
4 TON GVW 1,600 lbs  6,400 lbs Axle Load

40 TON GVW 24,000 lbs  28,000 28,000
   lb Axle Load    lb Axle Loads

FIGURE 1
H 10 AND H 20 TRUCKS
STANDARD AASHTO TRUCK LOADS
4 TON GVW TRUCK LOAD
40 TON GVW TRUCK LOAD

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**SECTION II**

**SAMPLE**

**OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE PLAN**

**AGRICULTURAL BRIDGE, STREAM CROSSING**

**Definition**  
A stabilized area to provide access across a stream for livestock or farm machinery.

**Purpose**  
To provide a controlled crossing for livestock along with access for farm equipment. To control bank erosion, reduce sediment and enhance water quality.

**Operation and Maintenance**  
This bridge is designed for livestock use and a maximum vehicular load of 10 ton gross vehicle weight. Vehicular traffic should travel over the bridge so that the wheels are placed directly over the bridge beams.

Inspect the bridge at least twice annually. Replace timber decking, curbs and plates that are damaged or rotting immediately. Tighten hardware that has come loose or replaced if necessary. Paint steel beams, braces and other metal components as needed to prevent rust. Replace damaged hardware.

Inspect stream channel under and around the bridge, at least twice annually and after major storms, for obstructions. Remove any blockages of trash, sediment, or debris that could affect flow.

The use of fencing on the bridge, unless otherwise shown on the plans, is at the discretion of the landowner.

The use of wood preservative on the deck and other wooden components is recommended. The use, type and frequency of application are at the discretion of the landowner. Apply wood preservative treatments in accordance with the treatments' labeled directions.

If erosion is occurring around the support pads or footings or around riprap on the stream banks, contact the Soil Conservation Office.

If beams have become damaged or show noticeable signs of bending, discontinue use and contact the Soil Conservation Office.

If you have any questions or need assistance, call your District office at ____________.

I have reviewed and understand the operation and maintenance plan contained herein.

________________________________________________________________________
  Landowner/Operator      Date                     District Representative  Date
SECTION III

CONSTRUCTION SPECIFICATIONS
BRIDGES FOR LIVESTOCK AND AGRICULTURAL EQUIPMENT

1. All materials and construction shall be in accordance with applicable NRCS standards and construction specifications.

2. Any changes in the plans or specifications must be approved by the engineer prior to construction. Changes are to be reviewed by the landowner for concurrence.

3. Concrete shall have Type IA cement, compressive strength of 4,000 psi, and have 5% air entrainment.

4. Reinforcing steel shall conform to ASTM specification A 615, Grade 60 steel. All reinforcing material shall be free of dirt, rust, scale, oil, paint or other coatings. The steel shall be accurately placed into position and securely restrained prior to placement of concrete. Reinforcement steel shall have a minimum of 3 inches of concrete cover. Overlap all reinforcement steel splices a minimum of 18 inches. Welded wire fabric shall conform to ASTM specification A 185. Overlap splices a minimum of 6 inches. The welding of reinforcing steel is not permitted.

5. Concrete forms shall have sufficient strength and rigidity to hold the concrete to withstand the necessary pressure, tamping and vibration without deflection from the prescribed lines. They shall be mortar-tight and constructed so that they can be removed without hammering or prying against the concrete. The inside of form shall be oiled with a non-staining mineral oil or thoroughly wetted before concrete is placed. Forms may be removed 24 hours after the placement of concrete.

6. Metal ties or anchorages shall be full dimension. Wall tie ends must be broken off and patched with a concrete epoxy or polymer cement. Patching is required on all sides of the concrete structures.

7. Concrete shall be delivered to the site and discharged completely into the forms within 90 minutes after the introduction of cement to the aggregates. This time shall be reduced to 45 minutes when the atmospheric temperature is over 90°F. Set retarding admixtures may be used to increase mixing time and shall conform to ASTM specification C 494 Types A, B, D, F, or G.

8. All concrete for abutments shall be consolidated with internal type mechanical vibrators or by rodding. Concrete shall be placed in horizontal lifts not greater than 2 feet. Concrete shall not have a vertical drop greater than 5 feet. Vibration shall be supplemented by spading and hand tamping as needed.

9. Concrete shall not be placed when the daily minimum atmospheric temperature is less than 40°F unless facilities are provided to prevent the concrete from freezing. The concrete shall be kept at or above 40°F for a minimum of 7 days or the concrete shall be kept at or above 55°F for a minimum of 3 days. The use of accelerators or antifreeze compounds will not be allowed. The concrete shall be maintained at temperature below 90°F during mixing, conveying and placement.
10. Protect exposed surfaces of concrete from the direct rays of the sun for at least the first 3 days. Keep all concrete continuously moist for at least 7 days after being placed. Concrete shall not be exposed to freezing during the curing period. Curing compounds may be used.

11. Defective concrete, honeycombed areas, and voids left by the removal of tie rods shall be repaired immediately after the removal of forms. All voids shall be reamed and completely filled with a quickset, non-shrink hydraulic cement.

12. Abutments may be backfilled after 7 days of the placement of concrete.

13. Compaction around structures shall be accomplished by placing fill in maximum 4-inch lifts and compacting by means of hand tampers or other manually directed compaction equipment.

14. Wood shall be Southern Yellow Pine No. 2 or White Oak visually graded No. 2 or better, rough sawn to the nominal dimensions shown on the plan. There shall be no changes in sizes without prior approval from the engineer.

Southern yellow pine, all other softwoods, and the nail laminated deck option require a preservative treatment of chromated copper arsenate (CCA type A, B, or C) with a minimum retention of 0.4 pounds per cubic foot, or its equivalent.

Preservative treatment of White Oak lumber is not required however it is highly recommended. Preservative treatment of Red Oak is required. Other hardwoods may require treatment and will be evaluated on a case by case basis. Preservative treat hardwood lumber using preservatives containing Copper Naphthenate (minimum 8% active ingredient) applied in the field by brush, spray or dipping. Apply the first coat before the lumber has been installed on the beams. Apply the second coat, after the lumber is installed, to all exposed surfaces. Equivalent treatment types and methods may also be used.

15. Steel beams, plates, angles and braces shall be to the dimensions shown on the plan and consist of ASTM specification A-36 steel with minimum yield strength of 36 KSI. All steel shall have a minimum of one coat of primer.

16. All bolts, lags, anchor bolts etc. shall have properly sized washers. Size bolts, nuts, washers and other hardware as shown on the plans. Fasteners (bolts) shall conform to ASTM specification A 307 (grade A) and nuts ASTM specification A 567. All fasteners shall be zinc coated (galvanized) meeting ASTM specification A 153.

17. The Soil Conservation District makes no representation as to the existence or nonexistence of any utilities at the construction site. Shown on these construction drawings are those utilities, which have been identified. It is the responsibility of the landowners or operators and contractors to assure themselves that no hazard exists or damage will occur to utilities. Miss Utility should be contacted at 1 800-257-7777.
SECTION IV

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**BEAM TABLE 1**

### BEAM SELECTION FOR BRIDGE WITH A 20 FOOT MAXIMUM CLEAR SPAN

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SECTION V
Construction Drawings for Agricultural Bridges
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SECTION VI
Construction Details for Agricultural Bridge Components
DECK MATERIAL MINIMUM DIMENSIONS

TB-1  3" x 8"  ROUGH SAWN LUMBER
TB-2  3" x 10"  ROUGH SAWN LUMBER
TB-3  3" x 8"  ROUGH SAWN LUMBER

6"x6" CURB ROUGH SAWN LUMBER
10"x5/8" GALVANIZED BOLT @ 48" SPACING

DECK—SEE NOTE

PLATE

5 1/2"x1/2" GALVANIZED LAG BOLT (COUNTERSINK)

CURB AND DECK ATTACHMENT

3"x8" PLATE ROUGH SAWN LUMBER

4"x1/2" GALVANIZED BOLT @ 24" SPACING. ALTERNATE FLANGE SIDE AND COUNTER-SINK.

NOTE: IF TOP FLANGE IS LESS THAN 7 INCHES, USE A 3"x6" TOP PLATE.

PLATE ATTACHMENT
END VIEW

PLATE ATTACHMENT
TOP VIEW

TIMBER BRIDGE DETAILS

ISSUE DATE: 4/04
DRAWING NO. TB-2D
LATERAL BRACING AND BEARING PAD

END BRACE- 3/8" STEEL PLATE, WELDED TO END OF BEAMS. EXTENDS FROM TOP OF PLATE TO BOTTOM OF BEAM.

CONCRETE BEARING PAD WITH #5 BAR @ 4" SPACING BOTH DIRECTIONS

BEAMS SHALL BE ANCHORED TO BEARING PAD USING 2- 1/2"x 6" ANCHOR BOLTS SET ADJACENT TO BEAM FLANGE. OVERLAP WASHER OR 1/4" STEEL PLATE ON FLANGE. USE 3" MINIMUM WASHER OR PLATE.

LATERAL BRACING: L 2 1/2"x 2 1/2"x 3/8" STEEL ANGLE @ 10' INTERVALS ACROSS THE CLEAR SPAN

END VIEW

OPTIONAL EXTENSION TO HOLD BACKFILL BRACE AS NEEDED.

DETAIL
LATERAL BRACING

2 1/2"x 2 1/2"x 3/8" STEEL ANGLE

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TIMBER BRIDGE DETAILS

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ALTERNATE BEARING PAD AND LATERAL BRACING DETAIL

END BRACE - 3/8" STEEL PLATE, WELDED TO END OF BEAMS. EXTENDS FROM TOP OF PLATE TO BOTTOM OF BEAM.

CONCRETE FOOTING - 2 ROWS #5 BARS @ 9" SPACING [BOTH DIRECTIONS]

BEAMS SHALL BE ANCHORED TO BEARING PAD USING 2 - 1/2" x 6" ANCHOR BOLTS SET ADJACENT TO BEAM FLANGE. OVERLAP WASHER OR 1/4" STEEL PLATE ON FLANGE. USE 3" MINIMUM WASHER OR PLATE.

2 1/2" x 2 1/2" x 3/8" STEEL ANGLE

LATERAL BRACING - L 2 1/2" x 2 1/2" x 3/8" STEEL ANGLE @ 10' INTERVALS ACROSS THE CLEAR SPAN

END BRACE - 3/8" STEEL PLATE

OPTIONAL EXTENSION TO HOLD BACKFILL BRACE AS NEEDED.

2 ROWS #5 BARS @ 9" SPACING [BOTH DIRECTIONS]

BRIDGE WIDTH END VIEW
MINIMUM NAIL PENETRATION 2.5 LAMINATIONS. USE 20d (min) GALVANIZED COMMON OR THREADED HARDENED STEEL NAILS. NAIL GUN NOT PERMITTED.

* INDICATES NAILS IN FIRST LAMINATIONS

x INDICATES NAILS IN SECOND LAMINATIONS

+ INDICATES NAILS IN THIRD LAMINATIONS

THE DECK MATERIAL SHALL BE SOUTHERN YELLOW PINE OR EQUAL WITH 0.4 LBS/FT³ PPT CCA.

USE C–CLIPS TO ATTACH THE DECK TO THE STEEL BEAMS. FOLLOW MANUFACTURERS SPECIFICATIONS FOR INSTALLATION.

THE MINIMUM LENGTH OF A NAIL LAMINATED SECTION SHALL BE 18 INCHES.

THE DECK INSTALLS DIRECTLY TO THE BEAM. A NAILER PLATE IS NOT REQUIRED.
C- CLIPS ARE COMMERCIALLY AVAILABLE AND SHOULD BE SIZED AND INSTALLED TO MANUFACTURERS RECOMMENDATIONS. AN ALTERNATIVE PRODUCT CAN BE FABRICATED BY USING A MINIMUM 2" x 2" x 3/16" STEEL PLATE. GALVANIZING IS REQUIRED. CARRIAGE BOLT AND HARDWARE SHALL MEET THAT SHOWN IN THE CONSTRUCTION SPECIFICATIONS.

C-CLIP DETAIL N.T.S.
Neoprene Bearing Pad
(Both ends)

Precast Prestressed Concrete Decking (Solid)

27' Maximum
2' Conc. Wearing Surface - 3000 psi-air entrained

Welding Plates for attaching safety fence
(max. 6' spacing)

Concrete Footer
Cast-in-place
4000 psi

2' MIN.

Note: Depth of Footing shall be decided by the
Technician in field. Check for stable soil foundation

#5 bars @ 9" spacing, both ways

#5 bars @ 6" spacing (first 3 bars)

2" Concrete w/6"x6"x 6 gage WWM

2' MIN.

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TYPICAL CL PROFILE OF CROSSING

2' MIN.

Note: Use 4 ft wide sections of concrete decking

1'

2'

X-SECTION OF CROSSING

SIDE VIEW

DESIGN LOAD
HS-20 (Highway Loading)
Livestock

16"

2' MIN.

#5 bars @ 9" spacing, both ways

2'

4000 psi

CR-6

CR-6

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X-SECTION OF FOOTING

PRESTRESSED CONCRETE BRIDGE
DETAILS

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DRAWING NO. PCB–1
SAFETY FENCE DETAIL

Additional Railing (Min. 1)
Steel Cable or Steel Angle Iron

2 1/2" x 2 1/2" x 1/4"
Steel Angle Iron

4" x 4" x 3/8" steel plate
w/stud (cast-in-place by
manufacturer). Note 2"
clearance.

8' Maximum

SAFETY FENCE ATTACHMENT DETAIL

2 1/2" x 2 1/2" x 1/4"
Steel Angle Iron
welded to angle iron

Weld Both Sides

Additional Railing (Min. 1)
Steel Cable or Steel Angle Iron

1 1/2"-2" gap
for forms

2" x 2" x 1/2"
Steel Tube
welded to angle iron

4" x 4" x 10"
Steel Tube
welded to angle iron

Weld Both Sides

CONCRETE WEARING SURFACE DETAIL

NOTE: If rebar not used then 3/4" - 1"
chairs or concrete bricks can be used at
2" spacing o/c to position the WWF.
SEQUENCE OF CONSTRUCTION

1. Contact the Soil Conservation District prior to starting construction.

2. Place silt fence/straw bale dike as indicated on the sediment control plan.

3. Excavate areas for concrete supports and riprap protection. Note: The stream flow is not to be disturbed and no equipment will be allowed in the stream channel.

4. All excavated material will be spread in areas away from the stream and wetlands.

5. Place concrete supports where indicated on the plan. Allow 3-4 days to backfill abutments and set panels.

6. Place the concrete span deck on the concrete supports. Allow 3-4 days before vehicular traffic.

7. Install safety fence.

8. Install concrete wearing surface as specified.

9. Final grade, remove straw bale dike, seed and mulch all disturbed areas.

10. Livestock will be excluded from seeded areas to allow establishment of vegetative cover.