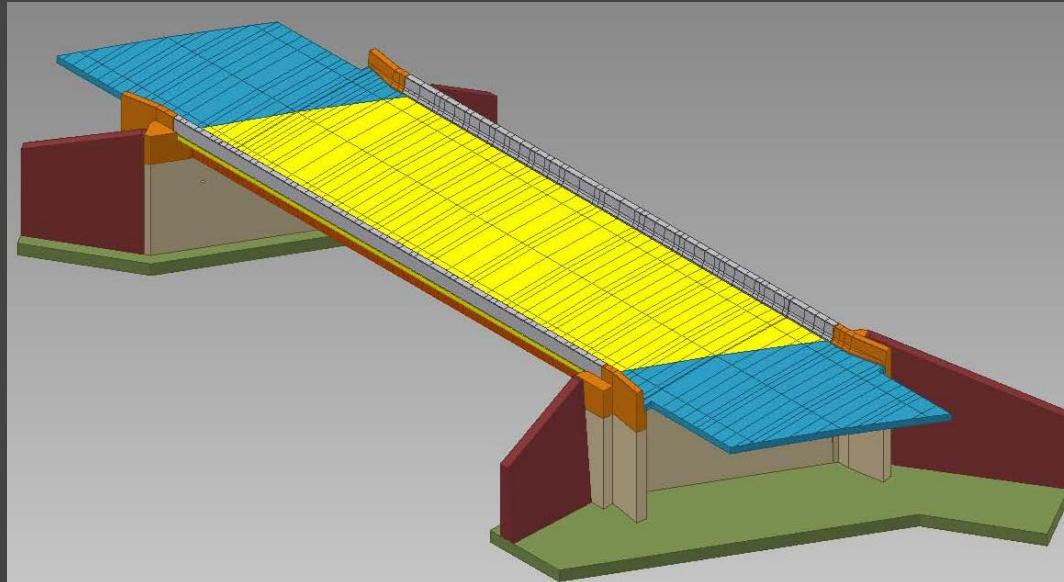


BRADD TO 3D CADD



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**Modeling for
Structures**

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OVERVIEW

- BRADD Background
- Why a 3D Model?
- Setting the Course
- Overview of Model
- Building the Model
- Using the Model
- Conclusions
- Moving Forward

BRADD PROGRAM

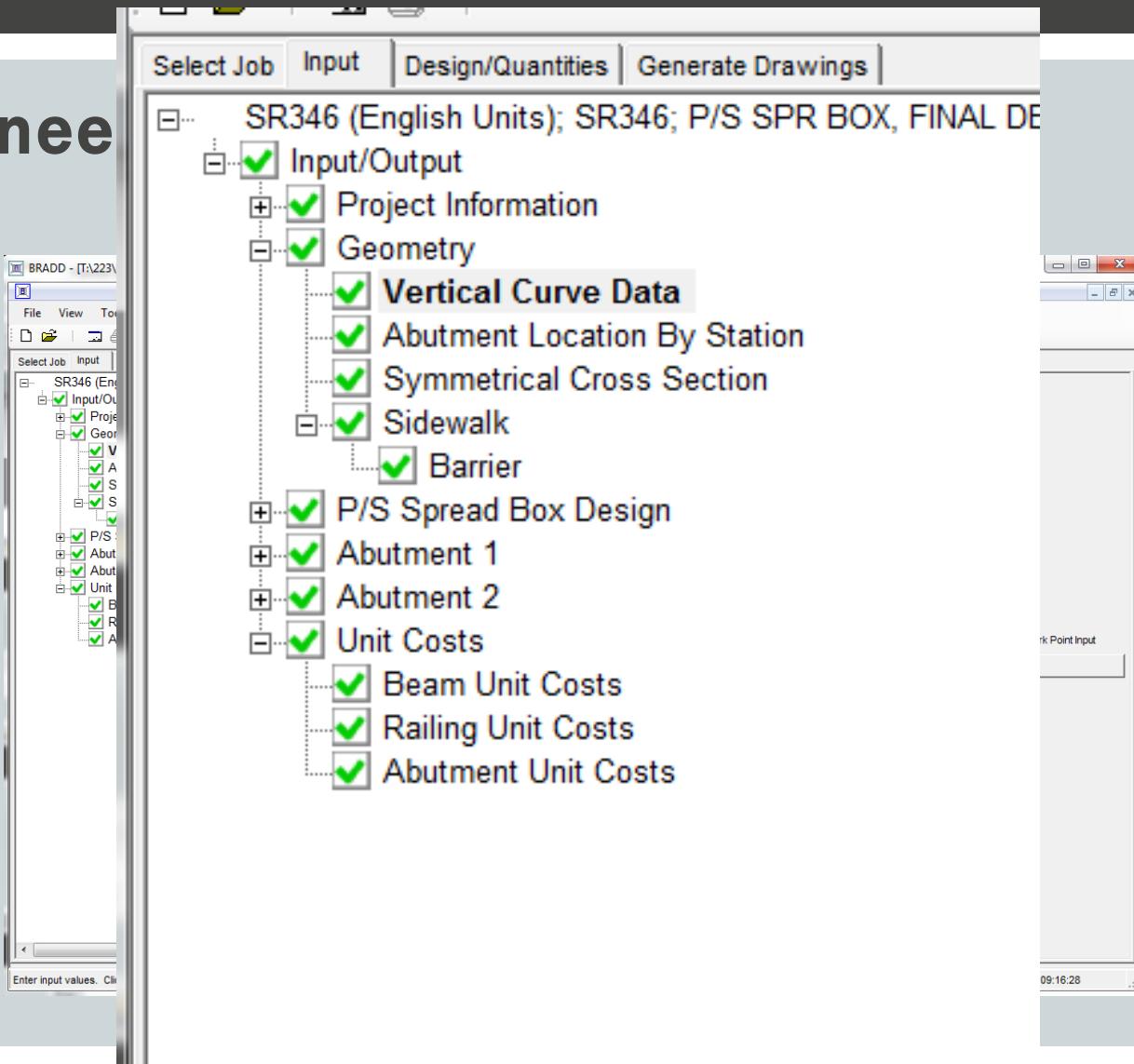
PennDOT's BRADD – Software Application

- BRADD = **BR**idge **A**utomated **D**esign and **D**rafting
- Automates production of scaled bridge contract drawings



BRAADD PROGRAM

Engineer



BRAADD PROGRAM

Design

Bridge Geometry, Version 1.1
Input File: BRAADD Generated Input
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TABLE OF DECK ELEVATIONS

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480+84.82	-999.000	-999.000	1492.468	1492.248	1492.128
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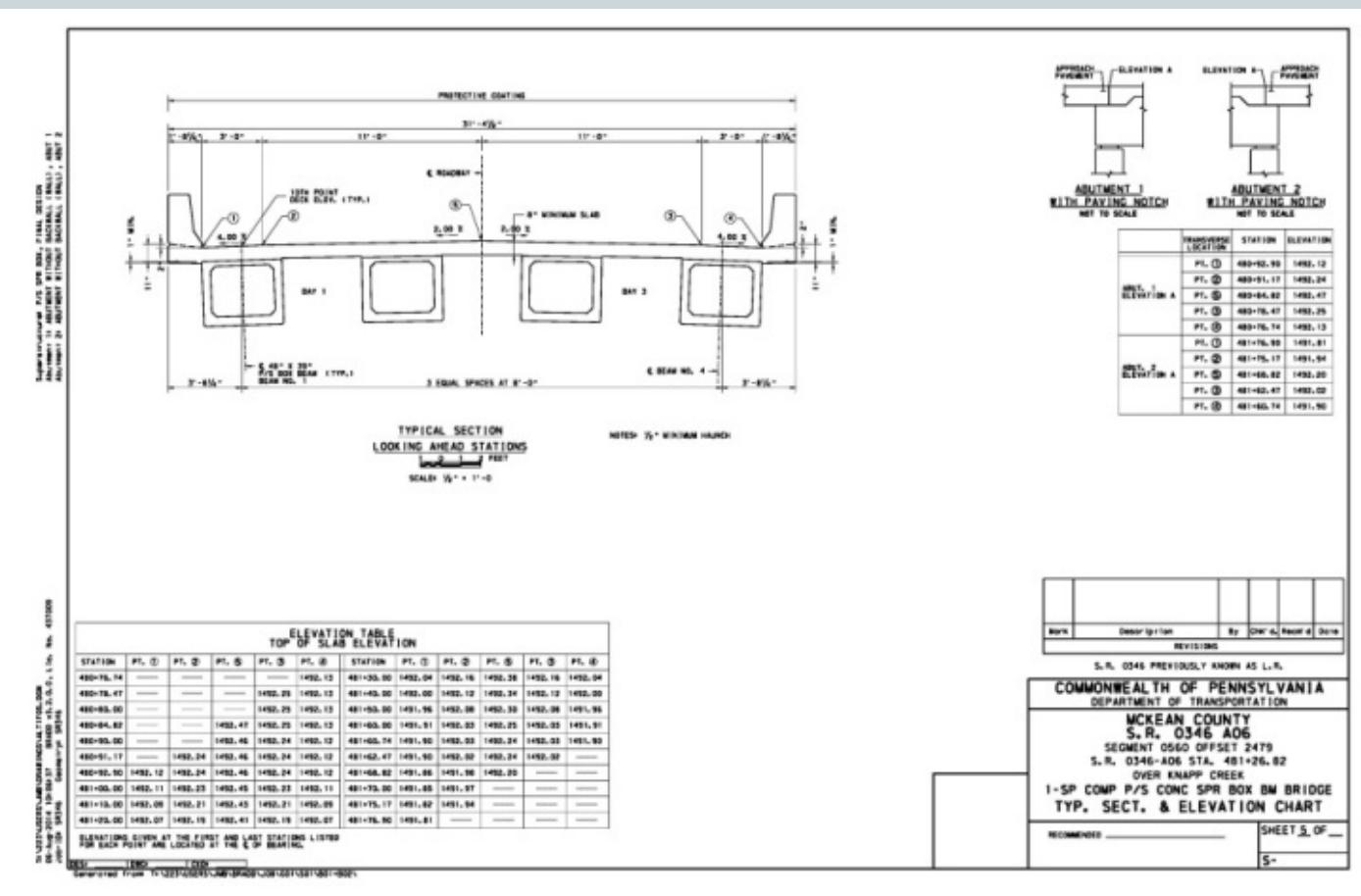
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SLAB THICKNESS (in)	8.000



BRADD PROGRAM

Drawings



BRADD PROGRAM

PennDOT's BRADD (cont.)

- BRADD is a design and drafting tool
- Primary use is design/detailing simple span bridges
- Works in conjunction with PennDOT Bridge Program Suite including:
 - PSLRFD – LRFD Prestressed Concrete Girder Analysis and Rating
 - STLRFD – LRFD Steel Girder Analysis and Rating
 - ABLRFD – LRFD Abutment and Retaining Wall Analysis and Design
 - BPLRFD – LRFD Bearing Pad design and Analysis

WHY A 3D MODEL?

Q. Why did we consider modeling a bridge in 3D?

A. Aware of the many potential benefits based on case studies from other bridge owners and from our work in other disciplines and wanted to determine what aspects we could use to improve bridge design

WHY A 3D MODEL?

Why did we choose a BRADD Bridge project as the basis for a 3D Model?

- All design information all ready existed in digital format
- Utilized PennDOT design applications and standard details
- Design Drawings (BRADD output) directly reflected the design input parameters
- Wanted to investigate the possible automation of model creation process by using the BRADD design documentation

WHY A 3D MODEL?

What benefits did we feel that a 3D model might bring to the project workflow?

- Ability to view and interact with the proposed design from any perspective, illustrating any aspect of the proposed structure
 - Better convey design – validate concepts
 - Allow virtual inspection / review
 - Review of aesthetics (public outreach)

WHY A 3D MODEL?

What benefits did we feel that a 3D model might bring to the project workflow? (cont'd)

- Improved interface to study complex/congested reinforcement details
- Ability to isolate and analyze individual bridge components with analysis applications
- Automatically generate and update 2D drawings of specific components

WHY A 3D MODEL?

What benefits did we feel that a 3D model might bring to the project workflow? (cont'd)

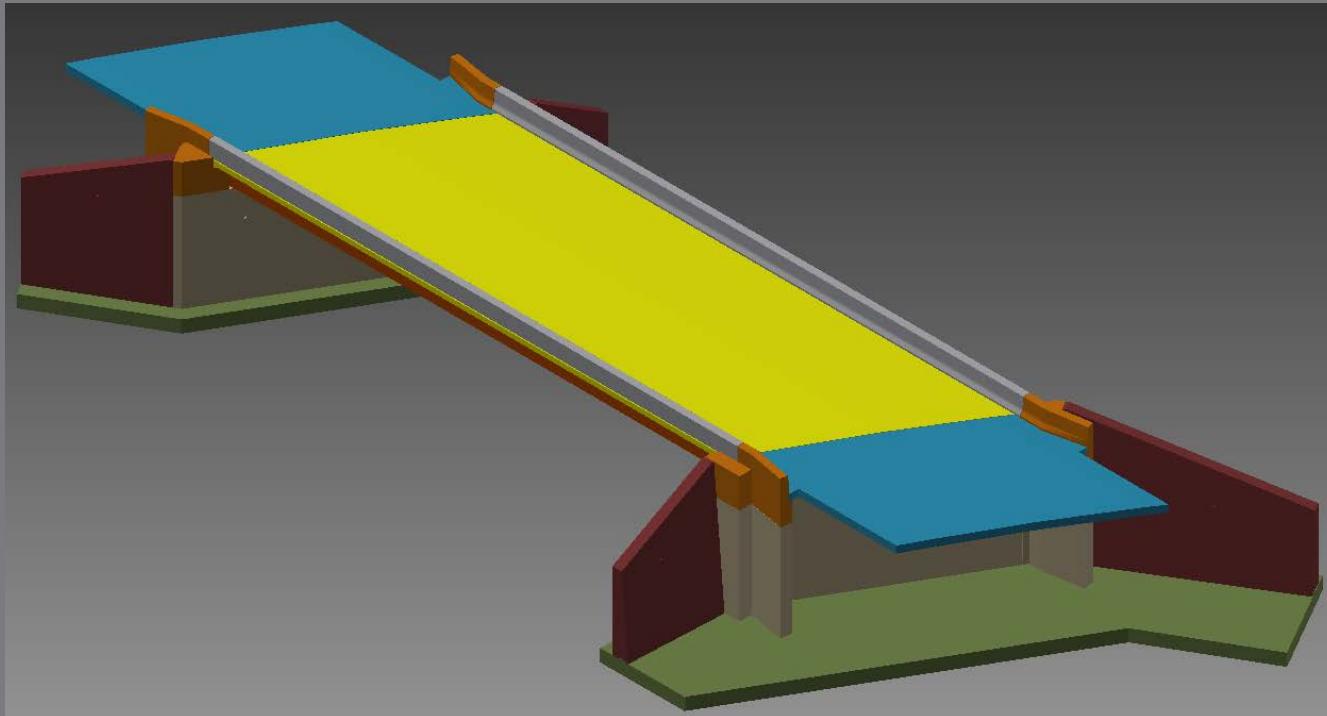
- Improve observation of the interactions between bridge, highway and other disciplines by providing a common platform for the integration of design content.
- Provide the ability to perform virtual construction analysis including site preparation and scheduling

SETTING THE COURSE

Determine the Approach

- Set goals for the model
- Select software to be used
 - 3D Solid Modeling /Analysis / Simulation
 - Provides tools specific for advanced 3D design and documentation
 - Proven track record through use on extensive facility projects
 - Available from multiple software publishers
 - We selected Inventor
- Develop workflow and procedure
- Build tools for future use
- Evaluate model for future implementation into workflow

OVERVIEW OF MODEL - SR 346 OVER KNAPP CREEK



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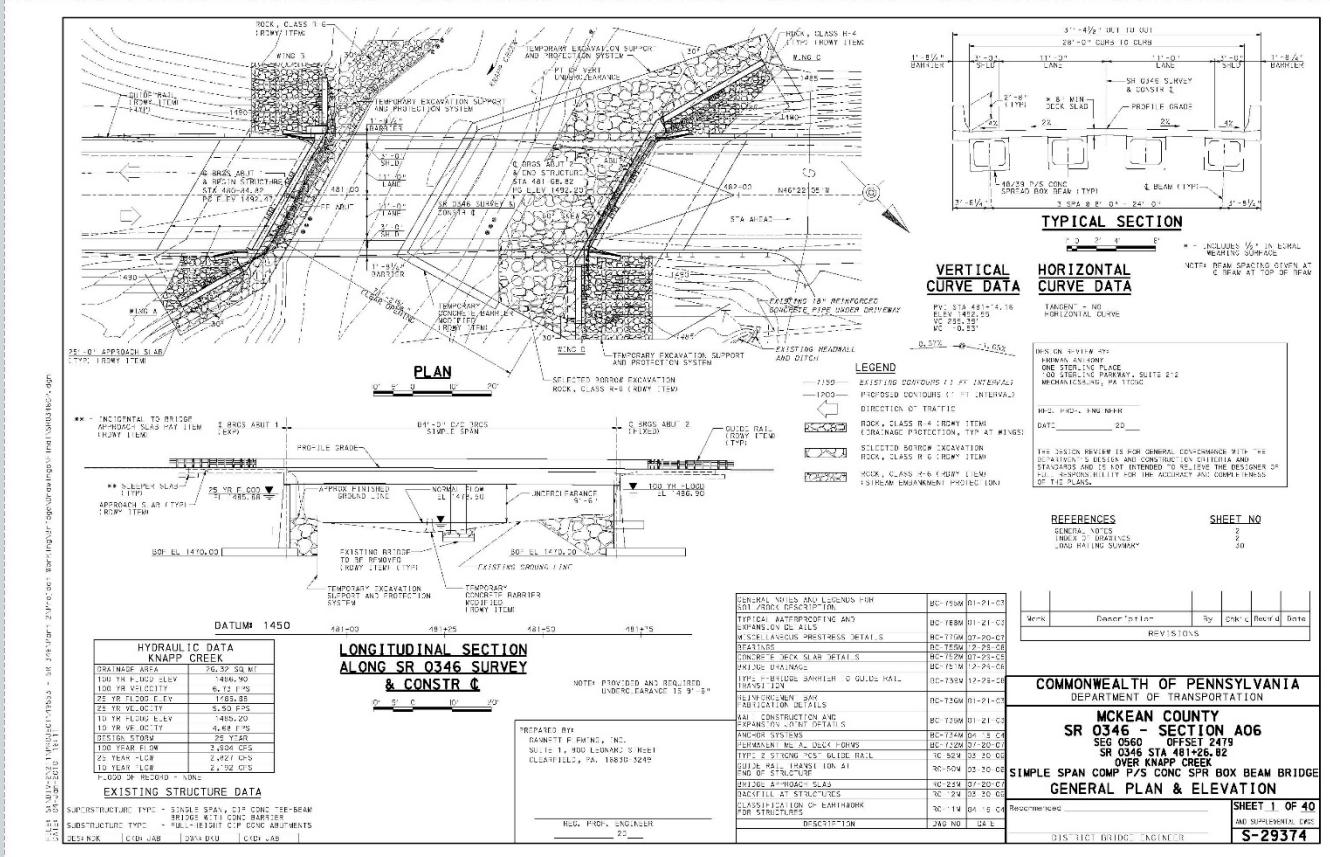
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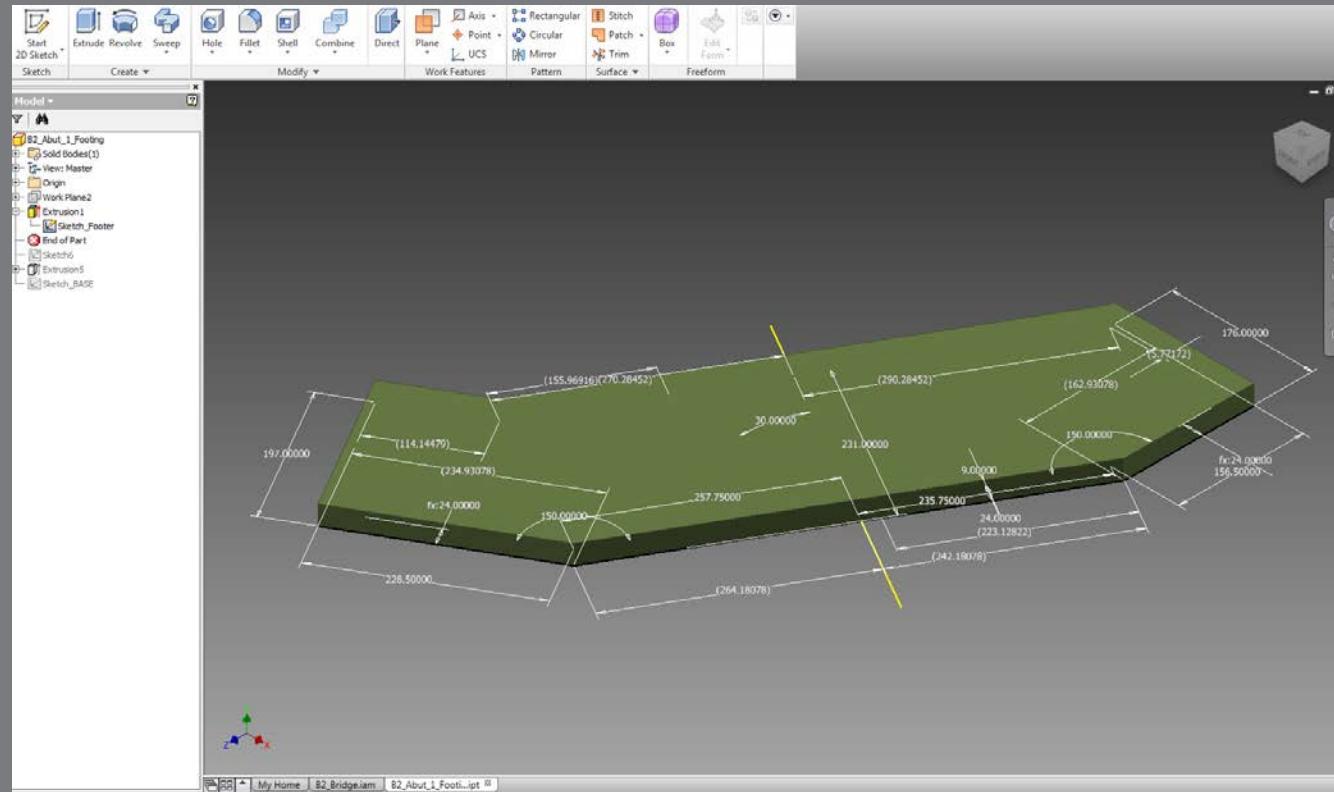
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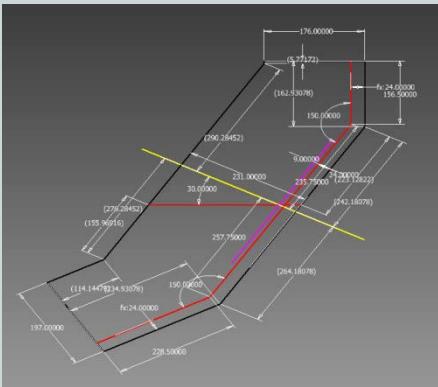
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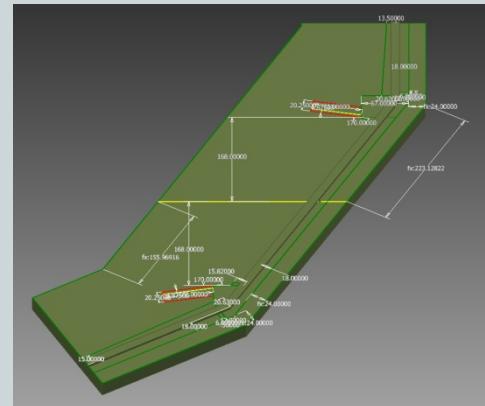
BUILDING THE MODEL

- Not just build a one-time model but create model components that could be tied to output directly so as to automate the process
- Design intelligence and logic into the model components allowing their use on different geometries such as no skew, extreme skew.
 - Eliminates the need for multiple base components
- Ability to re-use components for future designs
 - Allows for more efficient what-if scenarios

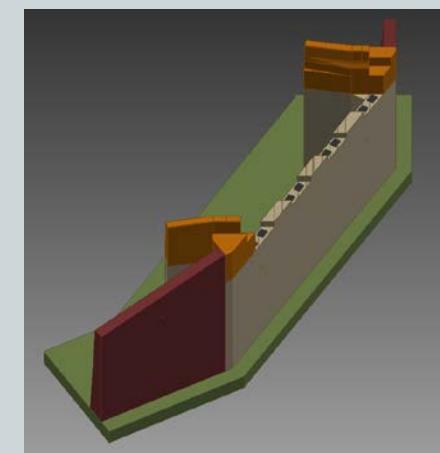
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Sketch



Part



Assembly
(Of Parts)

BUILDING THE MODEL

- **Two Key Points**

- **Create/input design information only one time**
 - “Refer” to it down stream from the single source
 - **Design process is Parametric**
 - Changes to the design can automatically update dependent components

BUILDING THE MODEL

- **Base Sketch**
 - Geometry used throughout project
 - Horizontal / Vertical alignments
 - Superstructure Template
 - Plan View
 - Beam Camber “Alignments”
 - Positioning Tool

BUILDING THE MODEL

■ Sketch Contents

- Graphical Geometry
- Dimensions
 - Manually input / Calculated from other geometry / Driven from parameters
- Constraints
 - Relates geometry to other geometry
- Goal is to minimize manual input and relate as much geometry to other geometry or drive from parameters

BUILDING THE MODEL

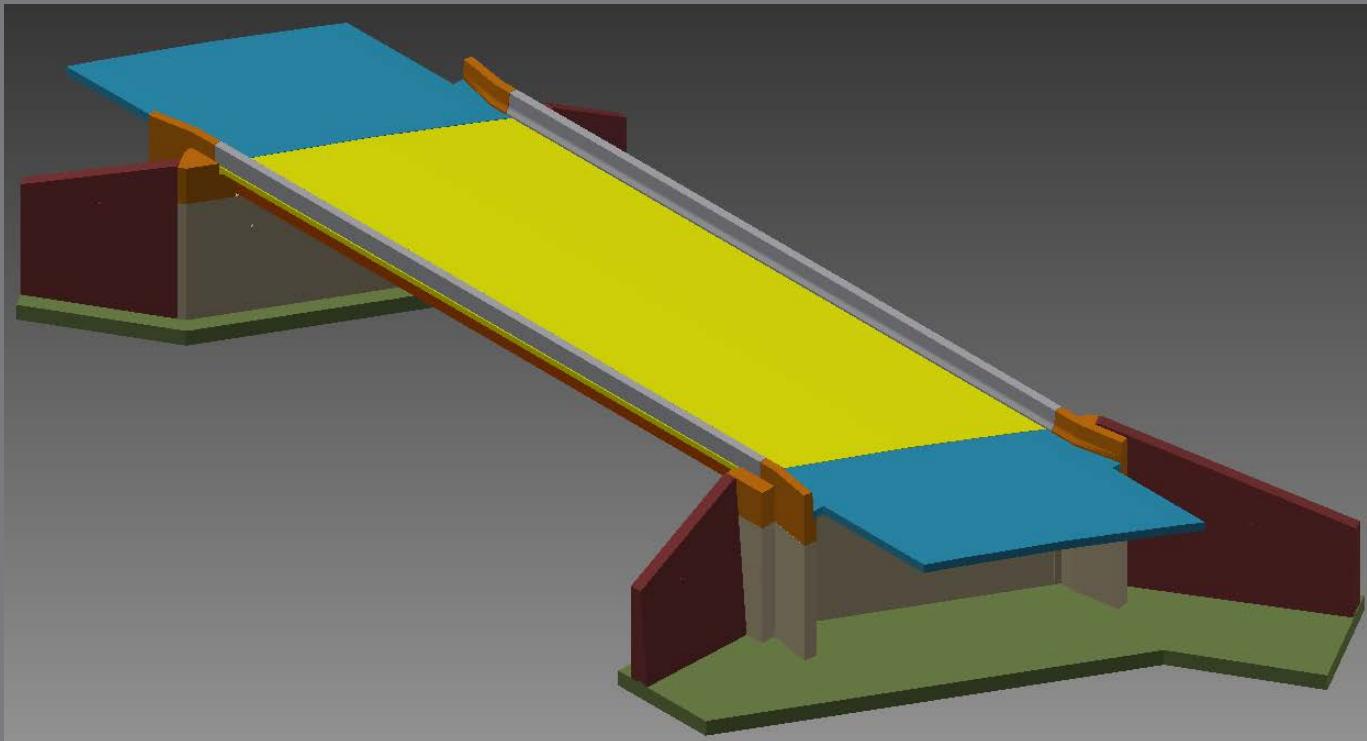
- **Parameters**

- User defined or calculated variables
- May be used within host part or shared with other parts and assemblies
- Helps maintain single source

- **Deriving Information from Parts**

- Similar to CAD reference but includes parameters also
- Allows geometry from other parts to be used in additive and subtractive fashion

USING THE MODEL



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Typical Section

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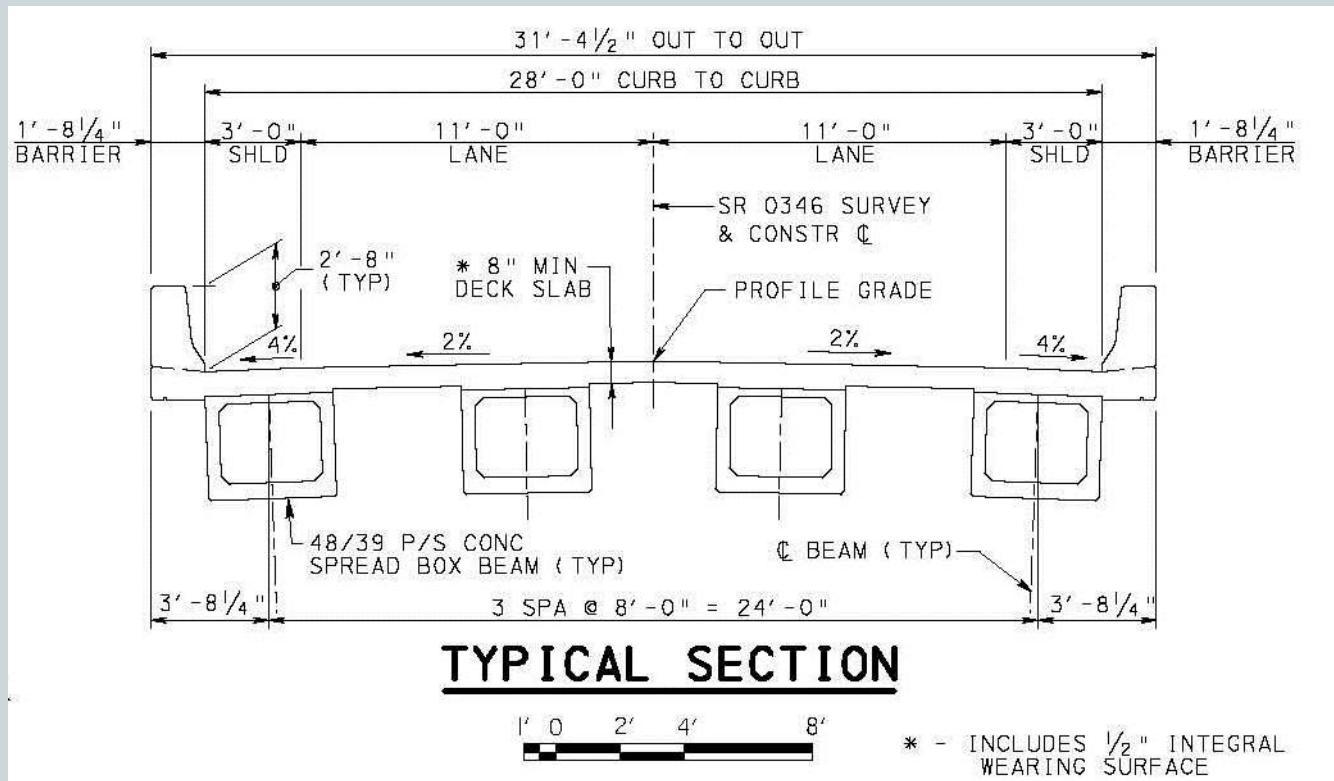
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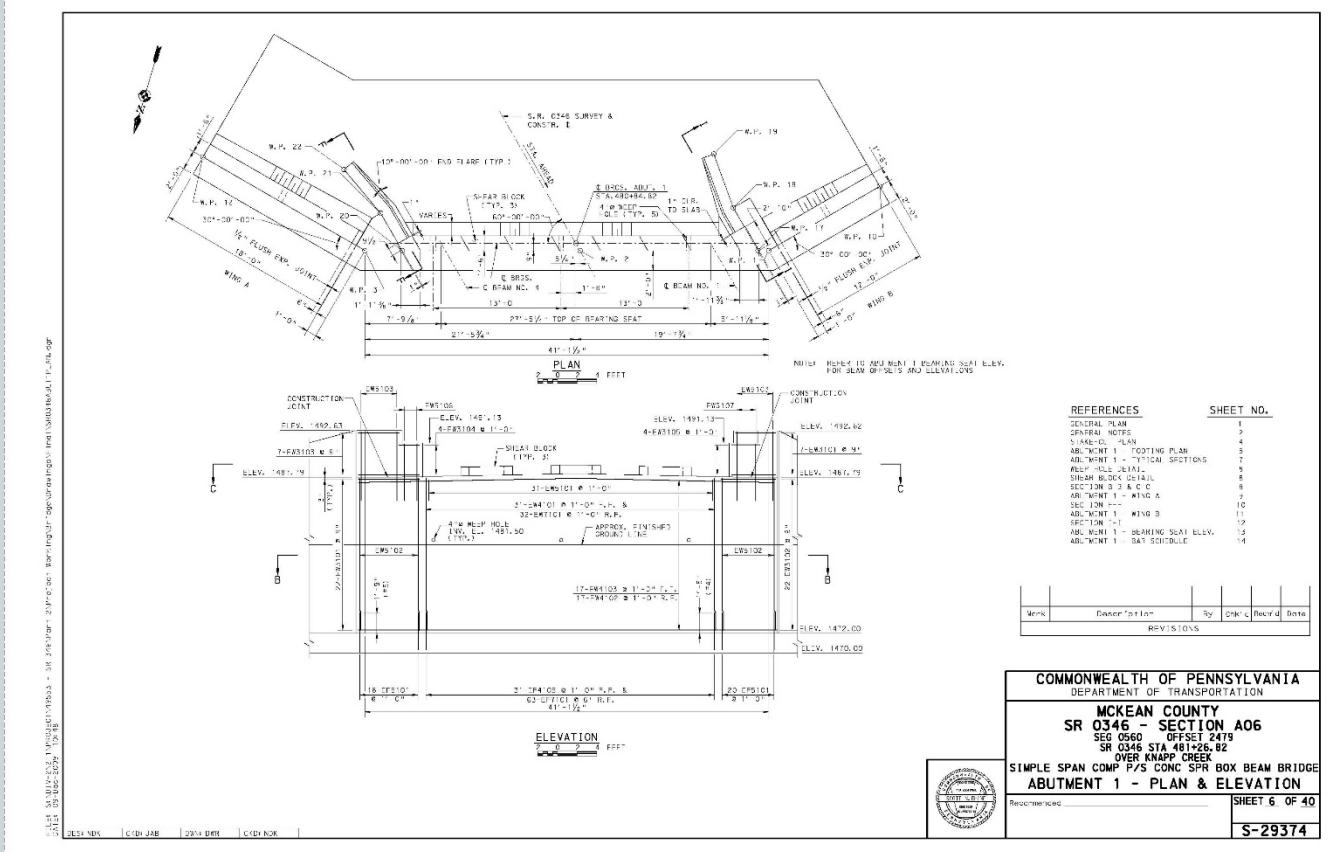
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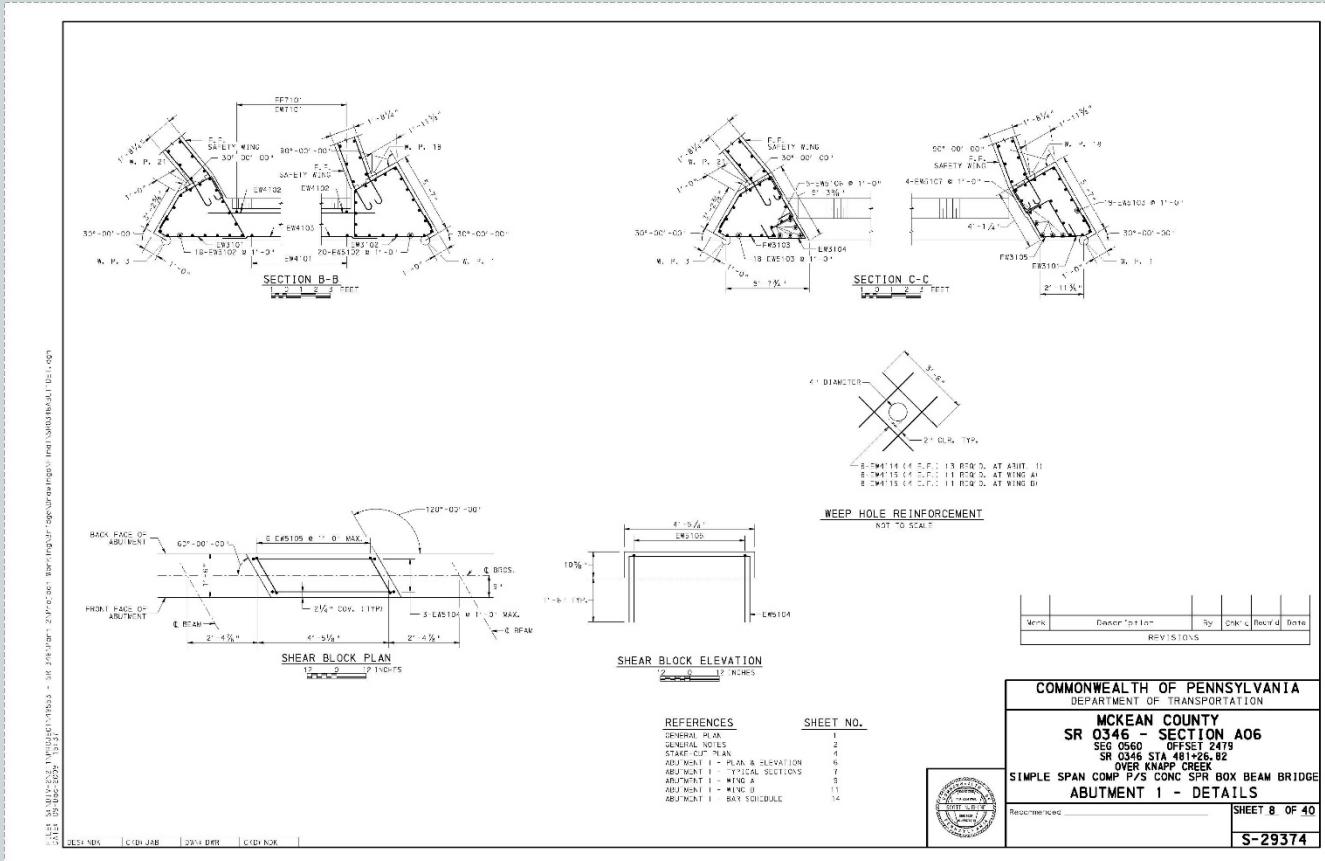
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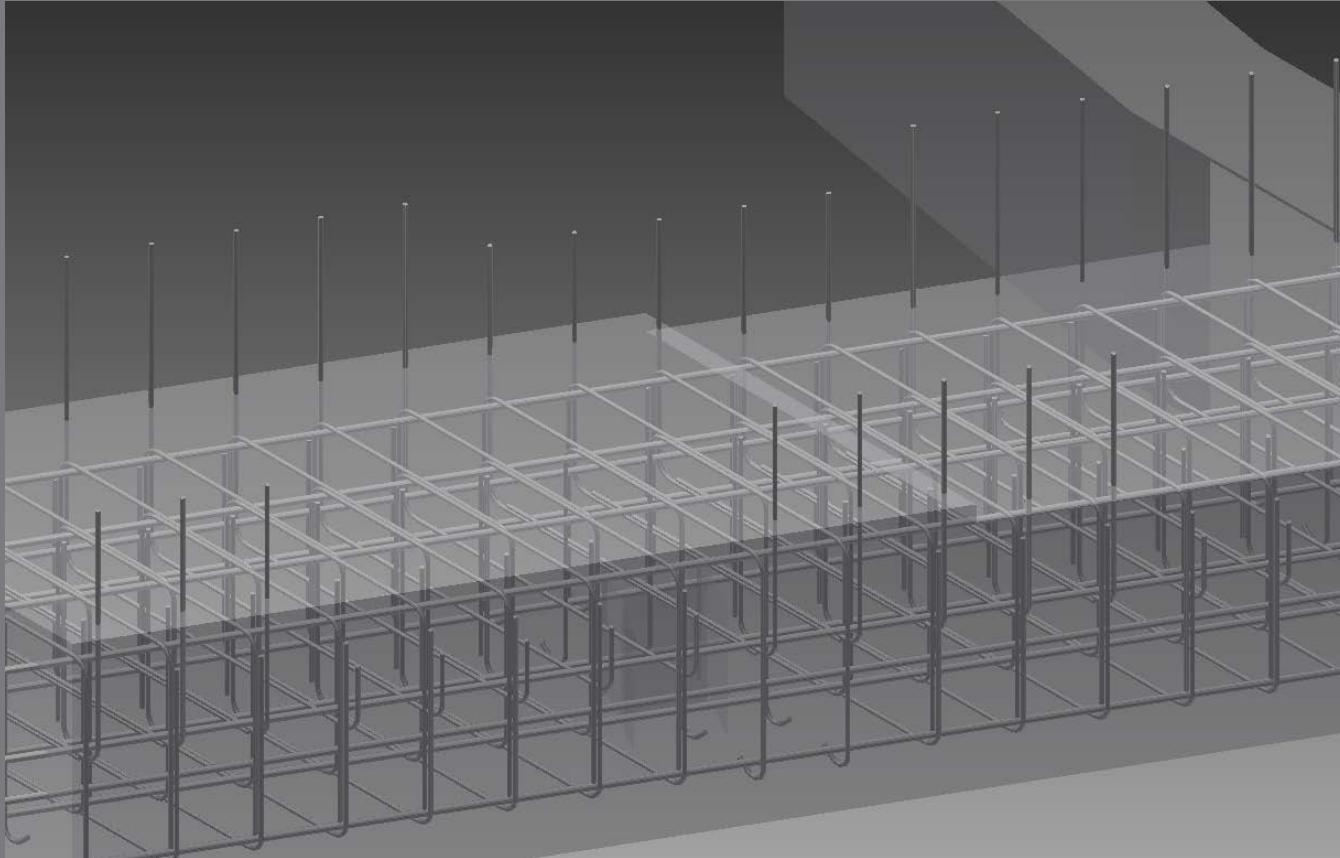
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COMPLEX REINFORCEMENT DETAILS



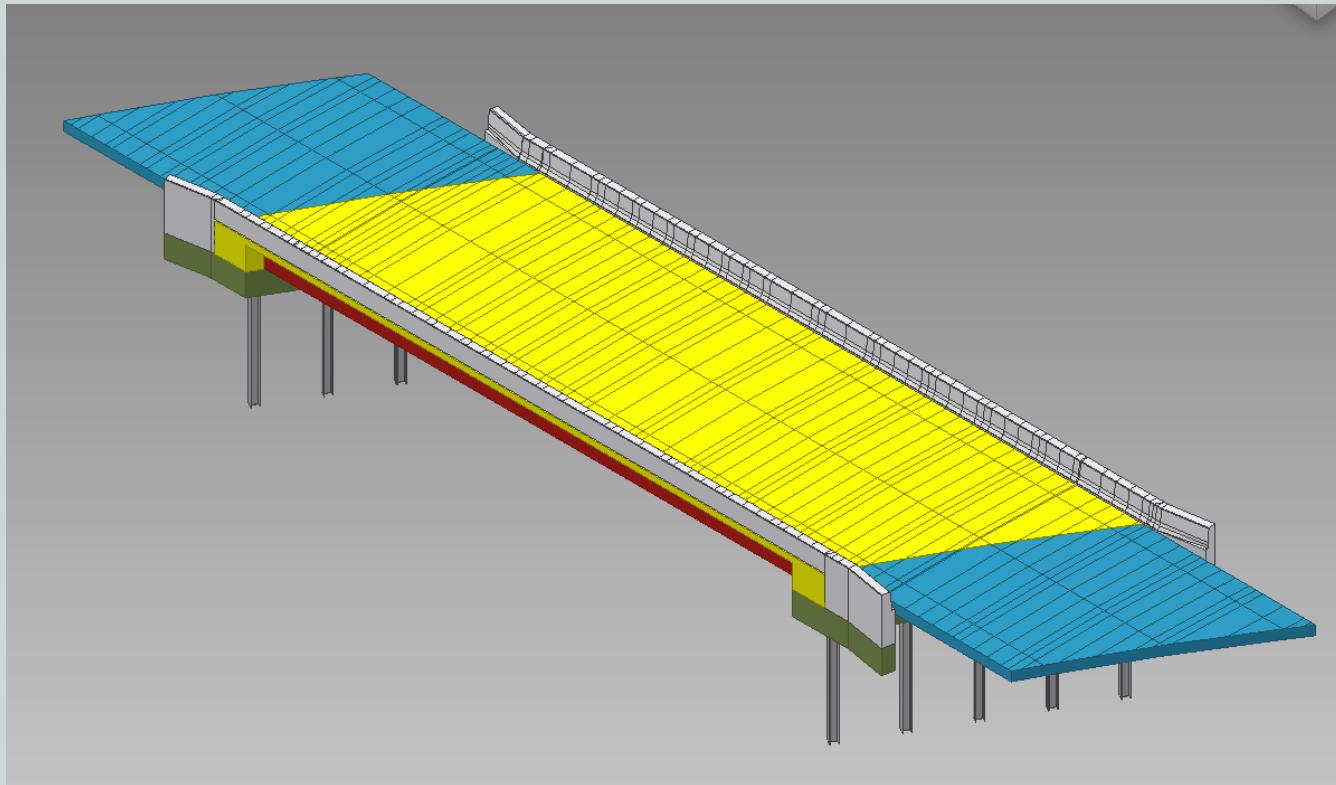
REINFORCEMENT MODELING

Investigation Topics

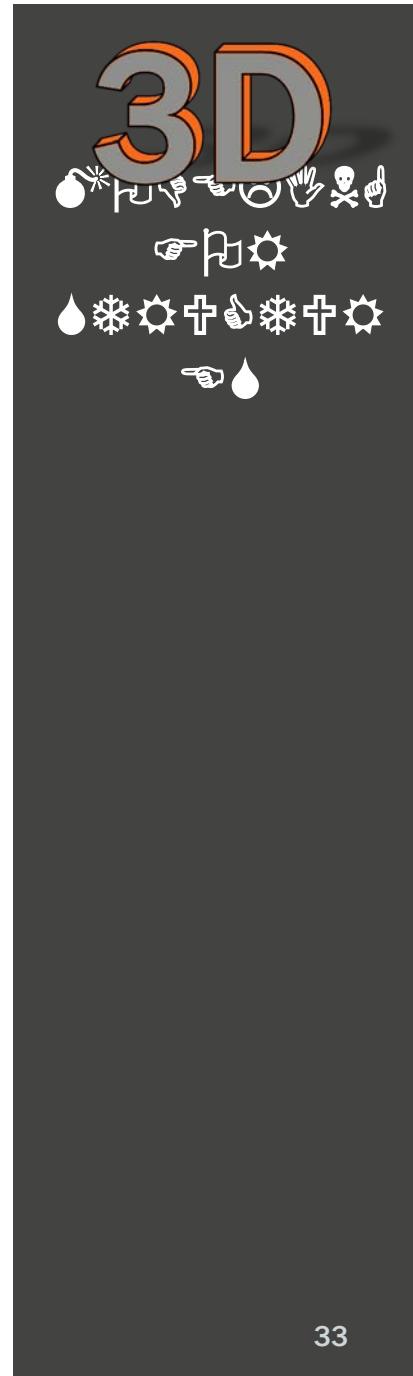
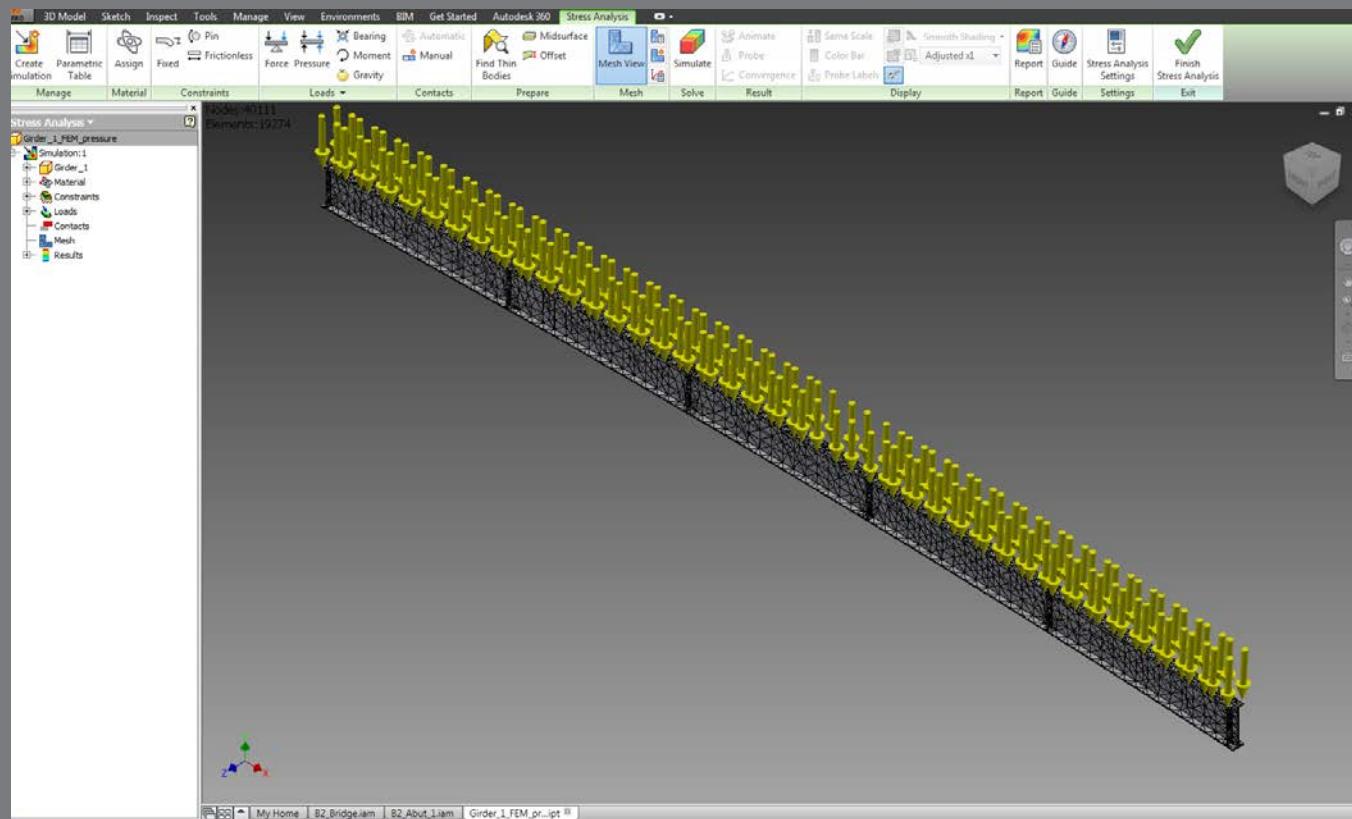
- Visualization of complex rebar details
- Clash Analysis
- Automation of rebar schedules and quantities

REINFORCEMENT MODELING

Integral abutment bridge model



STRUCTURAL ANALYSIS APPLICATIONS

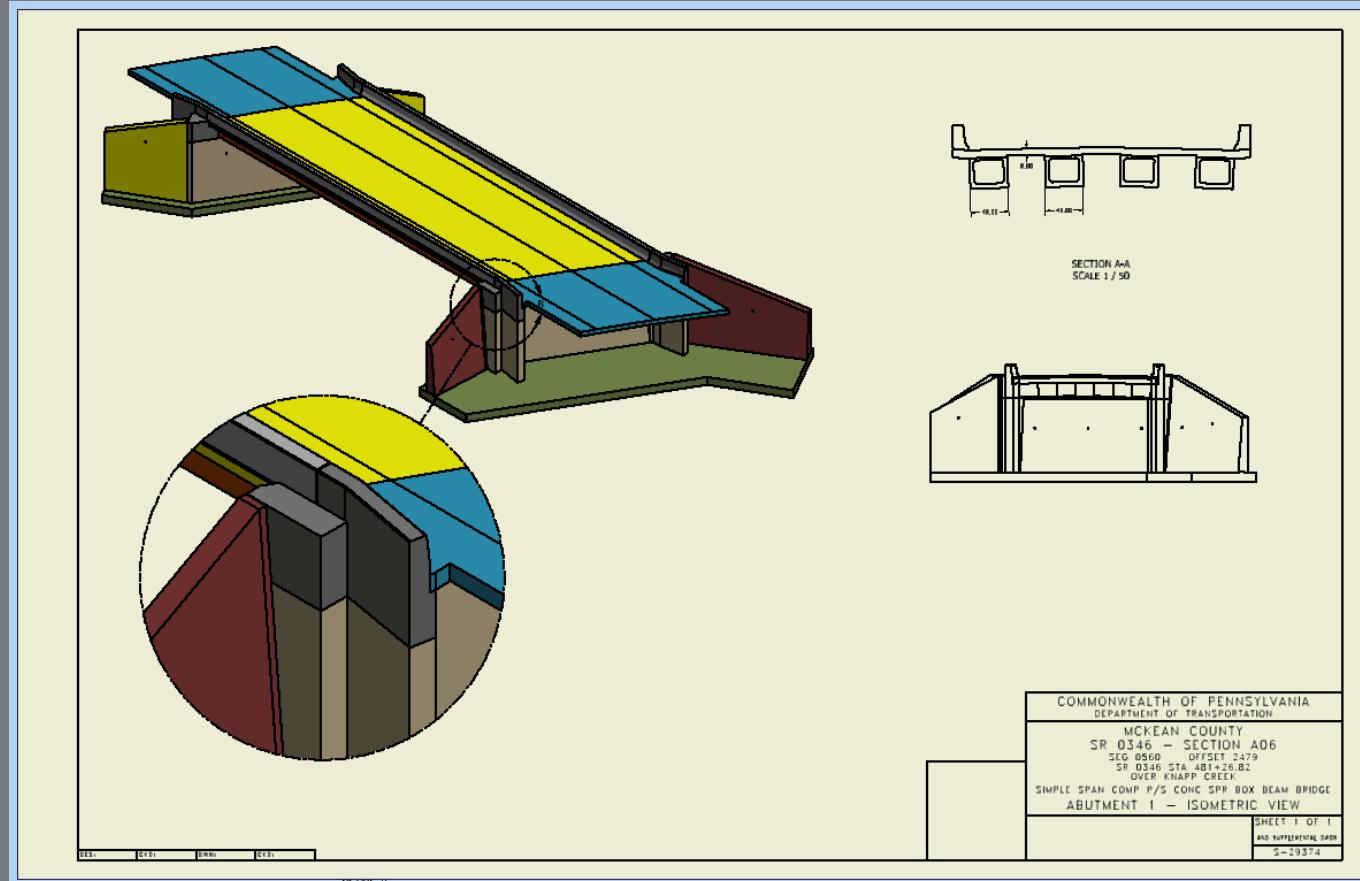


STRUCTURAL ANALYSIS APPLICATIONS

Investigation Topics

- Analysis of model inside software used to create model
- Plug-ins are available for additional analysis options
 - Multi-body and Multi-material
- Export to other external structural analysis software

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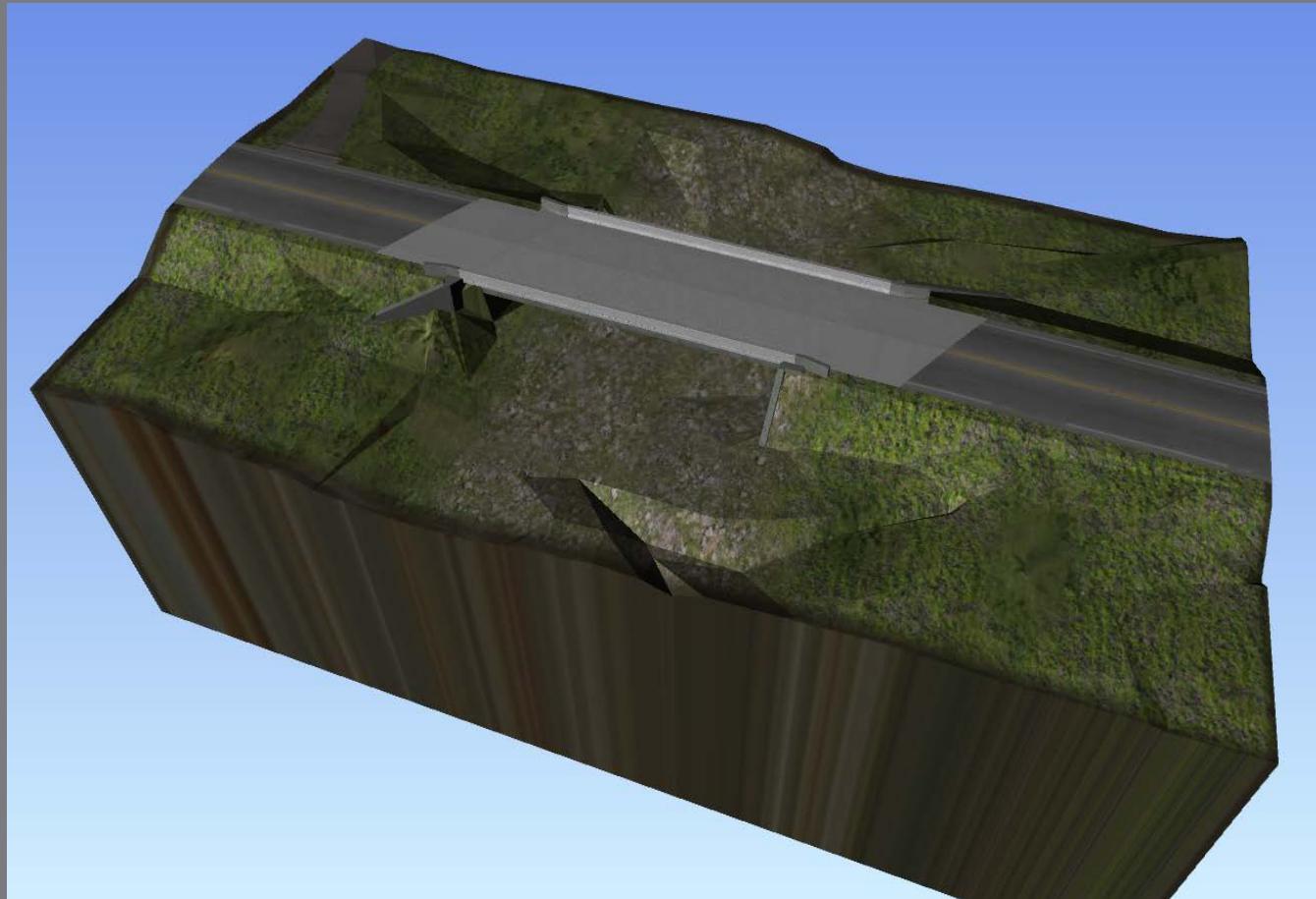


DRAWING GENERATION

Investigation Topics

- Isometric view of bridge or specific components
- Supplement with additional detail views
- Export to different CAD software

INTEGRATING DESIGN CONTENT FROM MULTIPLE DISCIPLINES



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INTEGRATING DESIGN CONTENT FROM MULTIPLE DISCIPLINES

Investigation Topics

- Integration of bridge model with site and roadway models
- Perform Clash analysis between construction and existing features (utilities)
- Quantities

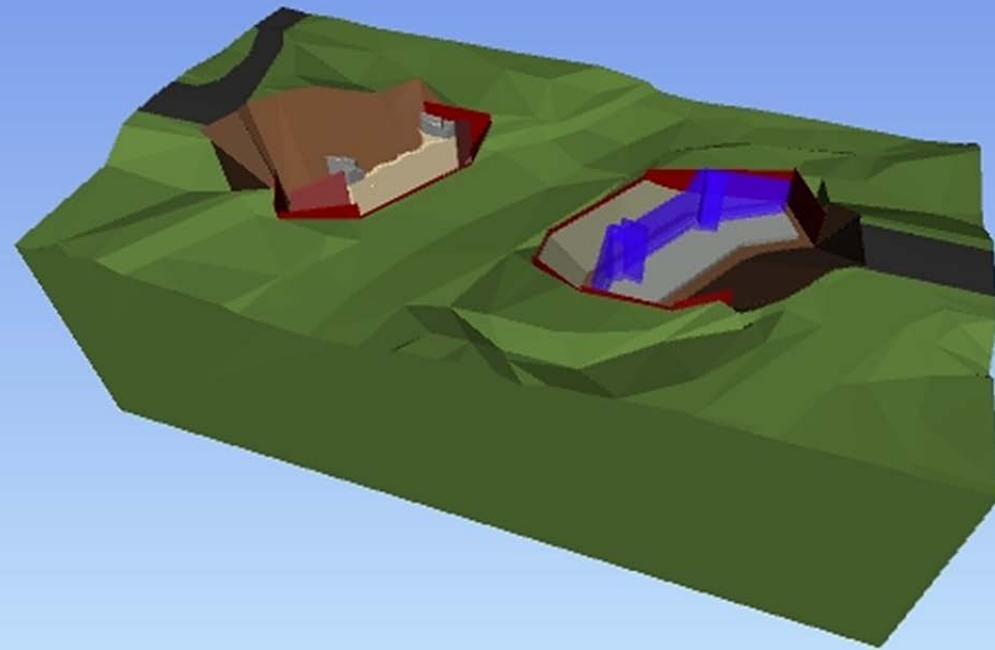
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Project Review Software

- Import 3D model data from numerous sources
- Provides first person POV interface
- Interface to perform clash detection and manage clash resolution
- Interface to perform quantification through identification of takeoff items

CONSTRUCTION SIMULATION AND ANALYSIS

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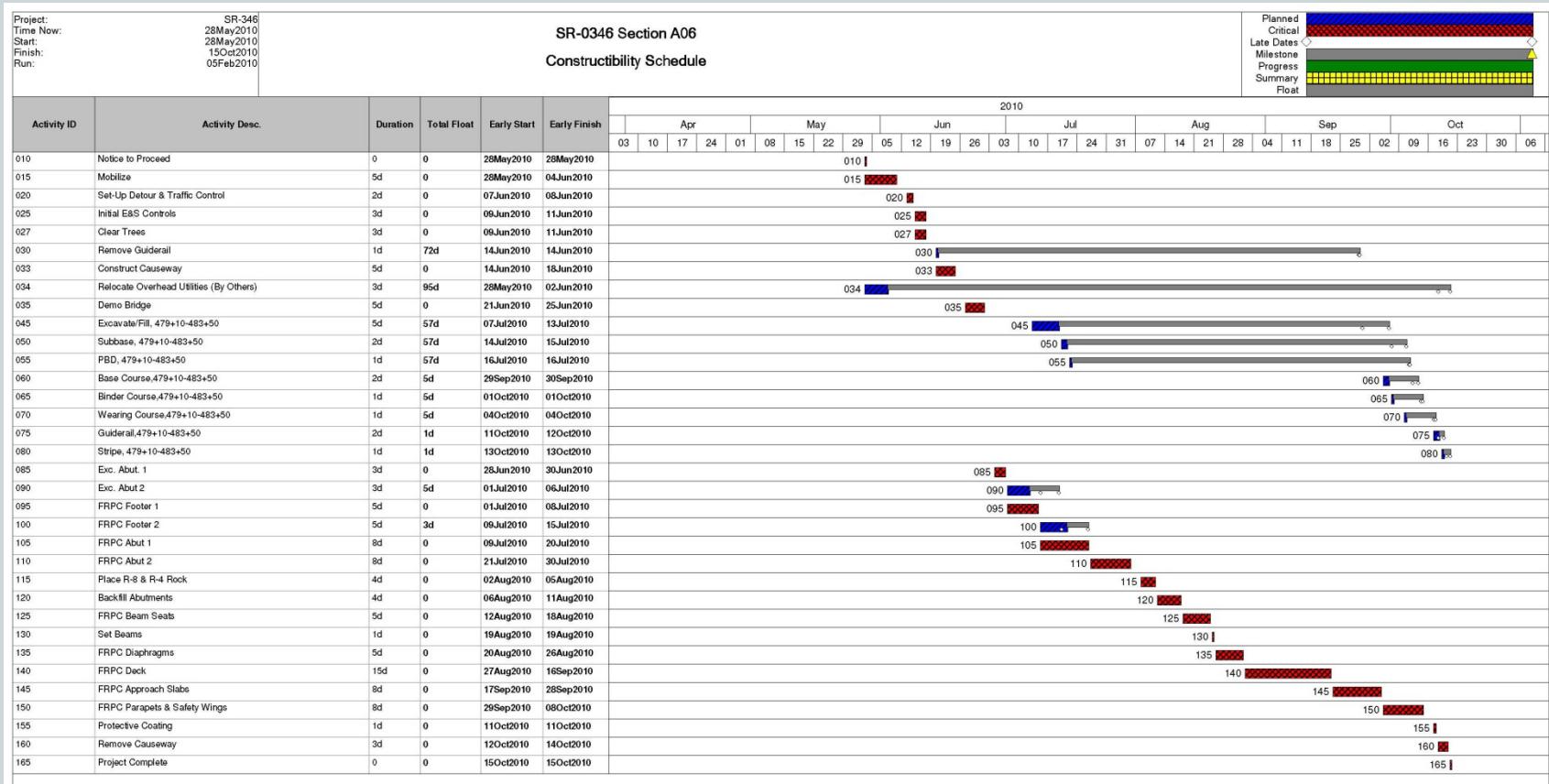
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Project Review Software (cont'd)

- Import project task, scheduling, resource, and cost information
 - Link information to 3D models
- Review project activity chronologically
 - Enables the user to view project in its environment at any point in time (4D)
 - Running tally of resource cost
- Perform project logistical planning
 - Model equipment and resource staging and movement

CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE

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CONCLUSIONS

Summary of the Benefits

- Improved visualization of project
 - Ability to view any aspect
 - Especially useful on complex details
 - Removes need to interpret 2D information
- Interaction with other disciplines
 - Ability to bring all design data together
 - Highway / Utilities / Site
 - Clash identification / logistics
 - Visual impact analysis

CONCLUSIONS

Summary of the Benefits (cont.)

- Construction scheduling integrated with model components
- Reinforcement review
- Quantity generation
- Structural analysis applications
- Automated parametric drawing generation has potential to reduce errors while speeding up documentation time

CONCLUSION

- **Process demonstrated that there are definitive advantages to having 3D models**
- **Established methods to reduce effort to create models more efficiently**
- **Some uses of the models are more relevant than others investigated**
- **Example structure/project not complex enough to realize full potential of these models**

MOVING FORWARD

Further investigation:

- Determine at what point in the project timeline to build model
 - Basis of the design process
 - Part of the design process
 - After the design process
- Investigate other software packages
- Study exporting to different structural analysis programs for further use in design
- Develop model for more complex project

QUESTIONS?

