



July 7 2017

In Reply Refer To: HSST-1/B-285

Mr. Hani Nassif RIME Laboratory Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey 96 Frelinghuysen Rd, Piscataway, NJ 08854

Dear Mr. Hani Nassif:

This letter is in response to your May 10, 2017 request for the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) to review a roadside safety device, hardware, or system for eligibility for reimbursement under the Federal-aid highway program. This FHWA letter of eligibility is assigned FHWA control number B-285 and is valid until a subsequent letter is issued by FHWA that expressly references this device.

Decision

The following devices are eligible, with details provided in the form which is attached as an integral part of this letter:

• NJDOT Balustrade Pulaski Skyway Bridge Parapet

Scope of this Letter

To be found eligible for Federal-aid funding, new roadside safety devices should meet the crash test and evaluation criteria contained in the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials' Manual for Assessing Safety Hardware (MASH). However, the FHWA, the Department of Transportation, and the United States Government do not regulate the manufacture of roadside safety devices. Eligibility for reimbursement under the Federal-aid highway program does not establish approval, certification or endorsement of the device for any particular purpose or use.

This letter is not a determination by the FHWA, the Department of Transportation, or the United States Government that a vehicle crash involving the device will result in any particular outcome, nor is it a guarantee of the in-service performance of this device. Proper manufacturing, installation, and maintenance are required in order for this device to function as tested. This finding of eligibility is limited to the crashworthiness of the system and does not cover other structural features, nor conformity with the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices.

Eligibility for Reimbursement

Based solely on a review of crash test results and certifications submitted by the manufacturer, and the crash test laboratory, FHWA agrees that the device described herein meets the crash test and evaluation criteria of the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials' Manual for Assessing Safety Hardware (MASH). Therefore, the device is eligible for reimbursement under the Federal-aid highway program if installed under the range of tested conditions.

Name of system: NJDOT Balustrade Pulaski Skyway Bridge Parapet

Type of system: Bridge Barrier

Test Level: MASH Test Level 4 (TL4)

Testing conducted by: Texas AM Transportation Institute

Date of request: May 10, 2017

Date initially acknowledged: June 22, 2017

FHWA concurs with the recommendation of the accredited crash testing laboratory as stated within the attached form.

Full Description of the Eligible Device

The device and supporting documentation, including reports of the crash tests or other testing done, videos of any crash testing, and/or drawings of the device, are described in the attached form.

Notice

If a manufacturer makes any modification to any of their roadside safety hardware that has an existing eligibility letter from FHWA, the manufacturer must notify FHWA of such modification with a request for continued eligibility for reimbursement. The notice of all modifications to a device must be accompanied by:

- Significant modifications For these modifications, crash test results must be submitted with accompanying documentation and videos.
- Non-signification modifications For these modifications, a statement from the crash test laboratory on the potential effect of the modification on the ability of the device to meet the relevant crash test criteria.

FHWA's determination of continued eligibility for the modified hardware will be based on whether the modified hardware will continue to meet the relevant crash test criteria.

Any user or agency relying on this eligibility letter is expected to use the same designs, specifications, drawings, installation and maintenance instructions as those submitted for review.

You are expected to certify to potential users that the hardware furnished has the same chemistry, mechanical properties, and geometry as that submitted for review, and that it will meet the test and evaluation criteria of the MASH.

Issuance of this letter does not convey property rights of any sort or any exclusive privilege. This letter is based on the premise that information and reports submitted by you are accurate and correct. We reserve the right to modify or revoke this letter if: (1) there are any inaccuracies in the information submitted in support of your request for this letter, (2) the qualification testing was flawed, (3) in-service performance or other information reveals safety problems, (4) the system is significantly different from the version that was crash tested, or (5) any other information indicates that the letter was issued in error or otherwise does not reflect full and complete information about the crashworthiness of the system.

Standard Provisions

- To prevent misunderstanding by others, this letter of eligibility designated as FHWA control number B-285 shall not be reproduced except in full. This letter and the test documentation upon which it is based are public information. All such letters and documentation may be reviewed upon request.
- This letter shall not be construed as authorization or consent by the FHWA to use, manufacture, or sell any patented system for which the applicant is not the patent holder.
- If the subject device is a patented product it may be considered to be proprietary. If proprietary systems are specified by a highway agency for use on Federal-aid projects: (a) they must be supplied through competitive bidding with equally suitable unpatented items; (b) the highway agency must certify that they are essential for synchronization with the existing highway facilities or that no equally suitable alternative exists; or (c) they must be used for research or for a distinctive type of construction on relatively short sections of road for experimental purposes. Our regulations concerning proprietary products are contained in Title 23, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 635.411.

Sincerely yours,

Robert Ritter

Acting Director, Office of Safety

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Enclosures

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Request for Federal Aid Reimbursement Eligibility of Highway Safety Hardware

Submitter	Date of Request:	May 10, 2017	• New	○ Resubmission
	Name:	Hani Nassif		
	Company:	RIME Laboratory - Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey		
	Address:	96 Frelinghuysen Rd, Piscataway, NJ 08854		
	Country:	U.S.A.		
	To:	Michael S. Griffith, Director FHWA, Office of Safety Technologies		

I request the following devices be considered eligible for reimbursement under the Federal-aid highway program.

Device & Testing Criterion - Enter from right to left starting with Test Level

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System Type	Submission Type	Device Name / Variant	Testing Criterion	Test Level
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By submitting this request for review and evaluation by the Federal Highway Administration, I certify that the product(s) was (were) tested in conformity with the AASHTO Manual for Assessing Safety Hardware and that the evaluation results meet the appropriate evaluation criteria in the MASH.

Individual or Organization responsible for the product:

Contact Name:	Lynn Middleton	Same as Submitter			
Company Name:	New Jersey Department of Transportation	Same as Submitter			
Address:	Office of Legislative, Administrative & Regulatory Actions, 1035	Same as Submitter			
Country:	U.S.A.	Same as Submitter			
Enter below all disclosures of financial interests as required by the FHWA `Federal-Aid Reimbursement Eligibility Process for Safety Hardware Devices' document. The RIME Team at Rutgers University was awarded a research funding contract in 2013 in response to a Request For Proposal (RFP) announced by the NJDOT Research Bureau to conduct research, design and evaluate a New Jersey historic bridge balustrade. The design is non-proprietary and Rutgers RIME Team has no further financial					
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PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

Engineer Signature:	William Willams	Digitally signed by William Willams DN: cn=William Willams, o=Texas Transportation Insitue, ou=CEF, email=w-williams@tti.amu.edu, c=US Date: 2017.04.25 15:16:35 -05'00'
Engineer Name:	William F. Williams	
all of the critical and relevant cr	er affiliated with the testing laboratory, rash tests for this device listed above we rmined that no other crash tests are nec	
	CRASH TESTING	
156 ft. and 1-1/4 in. long steel r segments. Each 26-ft. long segrail is 7-in. tall and 16-in. deep, integral to, and sat atop, elever each 8-in. wide x 10-in. deep, a an 18-in. tall x 16-in. deep curb in. wide expansion control join the bridge parapet contains cohalfway point of each 26-ft. long	reinforced concrete bridge parapet, and gment of this 44-in. tall system is compri and the bottom of the top rail measures n 19-in. tall reinforced concrete posts pe	ised of two 13-ft. long sections. The top is 37-in. above the bridge deck. The rail is er section. The nine interior posts are 10-in. deep, and all posts are integral to 6-in. The bridge parapet contains 1/4-een 26-ft long segment. Furthermore, ated between 13-ft. long section at the t does not extend across the cold
New Hardware or Significant Modification	Modification to Existing Hardware	

3135 TAMU, College Station, TX 77843-3135

A brief description of each crash test and its result:

U.S.A.

Address:

Country:

Required Test	Narrative	Evaluation
Number	Description	Results
4-10 (1100C)	Test 607451-3; 2016-12-21; Report TTI 607451-1-3; 2,429 lb small passenger car (2010 Kia Rio) impacting at 62.5 mph and 25.0 degrees; The vehicle did not penetrate, underride, or override the installation. Maximum dynamic deflection during the test was 0.5 in. No detached elements, fragments, or other debris were present to penetrate or show potential for penetrating the occupant compartment or to present hazard to others in the area. Maximum occupant compartment deformation was 3.5 in. in the left toe pan area. The vehicle remained upright during and after the collision event. Maximum roll and pitch angles were 11 degrees and 4 degrees, respectively. Occupant risk factors were within the limits specified in MASH.	PASS

Required Test Number	Narrative Description	Evaluation Results
4-11 (2270P)	Test 607451-2; 2016-12-20; Report TTI 607451-1-3; 5,037 lb pick up truck (2011 Dodge RAM 1500) impacting at 62.5 mph and 24.0 degrees; The vehicle did not penetrate, underride, or override the installation. Maximum dynamic deflection of the bridge parapet during the test was 1.0 in. No detached elements, fragments, or other debris were present to penetrate or show potential for penetrating the occupant compartment or to present hazard to others in the area. Maximum occupant compartment deformation was 2.0 in. in the left kick panel/toe pan area. The vehicle remained upright during and after the collision event. Maximum roll and pitch angles were 24 degrees and 6 degrees, respectively. Occupant risk factors were within the preferred limits specified in MASH.	PASS
4-12 (10000S)	Test 607451-1; 2016-12-16; Report TTI 607451-1-3; 22,030 lb single unit truck (2006 International 4200) impacting at 57.4 mph and 15.3 degrees; The vehicle did not penetrate, underride, or override the installation. Maximum dynamic deflection of the bridge parapet during the test was 4.4 in. No detached elements, fragments, or other debris were present to penetrate or show potential for penetrating the occupant compartment or to present hazard to others in the area. Maximum occupant compartment deformation was 8.0 in. in the left kick panel/toe pan area.	PASS
4-20 (1100C)		Non-Relevant Test, not conducted
4-21 (2270P)		Non-Relevant Test, not conducted
4-22 (10000S)		Non-Relevant Test, not conducted

Full Scale Crash Testing was done in compliance with MASH by the following accredited crash test laboratory (cite the laboratory's accreditation status as noted in the crash test reports.):

Laboratory Name:	Texas AM Transportation Institute		
Laboratory Signature:	Darrell L. Kuhn Darrell L. Kuhn 2017.04.25 15:34:		
Roadside Safety & Physical Security, Texas A&M Address: University System, 3135 TAMU, College Station, TX 77843-3135		Same as Submitter	
Country:	U.S.A.		Same as Submitter
Accreditation Certificate Number and Dates of current Accreditation period :	ISO 17025 Laboratory, Testing Certifica Expires April 30, 2019	ate # 2821.01	

Submitter Signature

Digitally signed by Hani Nassif

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ATTACHMENTS

Attach to this form:

- 1) Additional disclosures of related financial interest as indicated above.
- 2) A copy of the full test report, video, and a Test Data Summary Sheet for each test conducted in support of this request.
- 3) A drawing or drawings of the device(s) that conform to the Task Force-13 Drawing Specifications [Hardware Guide Drawing Standards]. For proprietary products, a single isometric line drawing is usually acceptable to illustrate the product, with detailed specifications, intended use, and contact information provided on the reverse. Additional drawings (not in TF-13 format) showing details that are relevant to understanding the dimensions and performance of the device should also be submitted to facilitate our review.

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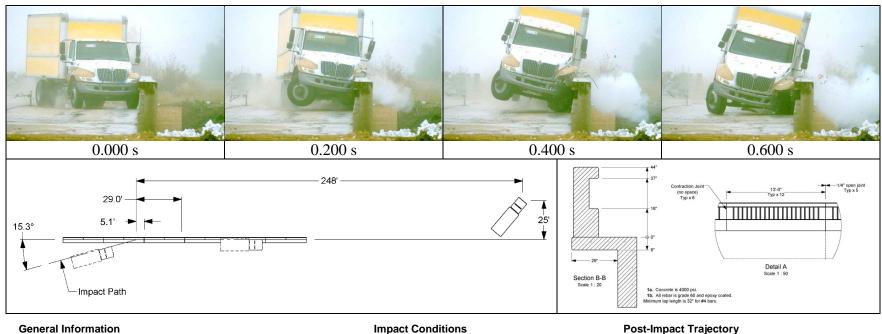
Eligibil	ity Letter	
Number Date		Key Words

 ${\bf Table~8.4.~Assessment~Summary~for~\it MASH~TL-4~Tests~on~Pulaski~Skyway~Bridge~Parapet.}$

Evaluation Factors	Evaluation Criteria	Test No. 607451-1	Test No. 607451-2	Test No. 607451-3
Structural Adequacy	A	S*	S	S
	D	S	S	S
	F	N/A	S	S
Occupant Risk	G	S	N/A	N/A
	Н	N/A	S	S
	I	N/A	S	S
Test No.		MASH Test 4-12	MASH Test 4-11	MASH Test 4-10
	Pass/Fail	Pass	Pass	Pass

^{*} S = Satisfactory U = Unsatisfactory

N/A = Not Applicable



General Information Test Agency	Impact Conditions Speed	Post-Impact Trajectory Stopping Distance248 ft dwnstrm 25 ft twd field side
Test Date	open joint	Vehicle Stability
Test Article	Impact Severity169 kip-ft	Maximum Yaw Angle16 degrees
Type Bridge Rail		Maximum Pitch Angle8 degrees
Name Pulaski Skyway Bridge Parapet	Exit Conditions	Maximum Roll Angle12 degrees
Installation Length 156 ft-11/4 inches	SpeedRemained in	Vehicle SnaggingNo
Material or Key Elements Twelve 13 ft long sections w/16-inch wide	Angle contact to end	Vehicle PocketingNo
× 44 inch tall rail with 7-inch tall × 16-inch	Occupant Risk Values	
wide rail atop 19-inch tall concrete posts	Longitudinal OIV13.1 ft/s	Test Article Deflections
8 inches wide x 10 inches deep spaced on	Lateral OIV6.9 ft/s	Dynamic4.4 inches
14-inch centers, atop 18-inch tall x 16-inch	Longitudinal Ridedown2.4 g	Permanent2.1 inches
wide curb	Lateral Ridedown4.1 g	Working Width20.1 inches
Soil Type and Condition Concrete Bridge Deck, Dry	THIV16.9 km/h	
Test Vehicle	PHD4.3 g	Vehicle Damage
Type/Designation 10000S	ASI0.95	VDS11LFQ5
Make and Model 2006 International 4200	Max. 0.050-s Average	CDC11FLEW4
Curb 12,180 lb	Longitudinal3.4 g	Max. Exterior Deformation14.0 inches
Test Inertial 22,030 lb	Lateral2.9 g	OCDILF0000000
Dummy 165 lb	Vertical7.4 g	Max. Occupant Compartment
Gross Static 22,195 lb	•	Deformation8.0 inches

Figure 5.7. Summary of Results for MASH Test 4-12 on the Pulaski Skyway Bridge Parapet.

 $Table \ 8.1. \ Performance \ Evaluation \ Summary \ for \ \textit{MASH} \ Test \ 4-12 \ on \ the \ Pulaski \ Skyway \ Bridge \ Parapet.$

Tes	t Agency: Texas A&M Transportation Institute	Test No.: 607451-1	Test Date: 2016-12-16
	MASH Test 4-12 Evaluation Criteria	Test Results	Assessment
Stru	uctural Adequacy		
<i>A</i> .	Test article should contain and redirect the vehicle or bring the vehicle to a controlled stop; the vehicle should not penetrate, underride, or override the installation although controlled lateral deflection of the test article is acceptable.	The Pulaski Skyway Bridge Parapet contained and redirected the 10000S vehicle. The vehicle did not penetrate, underride, or override the installation. Maximum dynamic deflection during the test was 4.4 inches.	Pass
Occ	cupant Risk		
D.	Detached elements, fragments, or other debris from the test article should not penetrate or show potential for penetrating the occupant compartment, or present an undue hazard to other traffic, pedestrians, or personnel in a work zone.	No detached elements, fragments, or other debris were present to penetrate or show potential for penetrating the occupant compartment, or to present hazard to others in the area.	Pass
	Deformations of, or intrusions into, the occupant compartment should not exceed limits set forth in Section 5.3 and Appendix E of MASH.	Maximum occupant compartment deformation was 8.0 inches in the left kick panel/toe pan area.	Pass
G.	It is preferable, although not essential, that the vehicle remain upright during and after collision.	The 10000S vehicle remained upright during and after the collision event.	Pass



General Information		Impact Conditions		Post-Impact Trajectory	
Test Agency	Texas A&M Transportation Institute (TTI)	Speed	62.5 mi/h	Stopping Distance	233 ft dwnstrm
Test Standard Test No	MASH Test 4-11	Angle	24.0 degrees		95 ft twd traffic
TTI Test No	607451-2	Location/Orientation	4.2 ft upstream of		
Test Date	2016-12-20		joint .	Vehicle Stability	
Test Article		Impact Severity	109 kip-ft	Maximum Yaw Angle	32 degrees
Type	Bridge Rail		·	Maximum Pitch Angle	
Name	Pulaski Skyway Bridge Parapet	Exit Conditions		Maximum Roll Angle	
Installation Length		Speed	51.1 mi/h	Vehicle Snagging	
Material or Key Elements	Twelve 13 ft long sections w/16-inch wide	Angle	9.1 degrees	Vehicle Pocketing	
•	x 44 inch tall rail with 7-inch tall x 16-inch	-	-	-	
	wide rail atop 19-inch tall concrete posts	Occupant Risk Values		Test Article Deflections	
	8 inches wide x 10 inches deep spaced on	Longitudinal OIV	18.0 ft/s	Dynamic	1.0 inch
	14-inch centers, atop 18-inch tall x 16-inch	Lateral OIV	28.9 ft/s	Permanent	
	wide curb	Longitudinal Ridedown	4.4 g	Working Width	17.0 inches
Soil Type and Condition	Concrete Bridge Deck, Dry	Lateral Ridedown	8.9 g	G	
Test Vehicle	3 , ,	THIV	ū	Vehicle Damage	
Type/Designation	2270P	PHD	9.0 g	VDS	11LFQ5
Make and Model	2011 Dodge RAM 1500	ASI	2.05	CDC	
Curb		Max. 0.050-s Average		Max. Exterior Deformation	14.0 inches
Test Inertial	5037 lb	Longitudinal	−9.5 g	OCDI	LF0000000
Dummy	165 lb	Lateral		Max. Occupant Compartment	
Gross Static		Vertical		Deformation	
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Figure 6.7. Summary of Results for MASH Test 4-11 on the Pulaski Skyway Bridge Parapet.

Table 8.2. Performance Evaluation Summary for MASH Test 4-11 on the Pulaski Skyway Bridge Parapet.

Tes	t Agency: Texas A&M Transportation Institute	Test No.: 607451-2	Геst Date: 2016-12-20
	MASH Test 4-11 Evaluation Criteria	Test Results	Assessment
<i>A</i> .	nctural Adequacy Test article should contain and redirect the vehicle or bring the vehicle to a controlled stop; the vehicle should not penetrate, underride, or override the installation although controlled lateral deflection of the test article is acceptable.	The Pulaski Skyway Bridge Parapet contained and redirected the 2270P vehicle. The vehicle did not penetrate, underride, or override the installation. Maximum dynamic deflection of the parapet during the test was 1.0 inch.	Pass
	eupant Risk		
D.	Detached elements, fragments, or other debris from the test article should not penetrate or show potential for penetrating the occupant compartment, or present an undue hazard to other traffic, pedestrians, or personnel in a work zone.	No detached elements, fragments, or other debris were present to penetrate or show potential for penetrating the occupant compartment, or to present hazard to others in the area.	Pass
	Deformations of, or intrusions into, the occupant compartment should not exceed limits set forth in Section 5.3 and Appendix E of MASH.	Maximum occupant compartment deformation was 2.0 inches in the left kick panel/toe pan area.	Pass
F.	The vehicle should remain upright during and after collision. The maximum roll and pitch angles are not to exceed 75 degrees.	The 2270P vehicle remained upright during and after the collision event. Maximum roll and pitch angles were 24 degrees and 6 degrees, respectively.	Pass
Н.	Longitudinal and lateral occupant impact velocities should fall below the preferred value of 30 ft/s, or at least below the maximum allowable value of 40 ft/s.	Longitudinal OIV was 18.0 ft/s, and lateral OIV was 28.9 ft/s.	Pass
I.	Longitudinal and lateral occupant ridedown accelerations should fall below the preferred value of 15.0 g, or at least below the maximum allowable value of 20.49 g.	Maximum longitudinal ridedown was 4.4 g, and maximum lateral ridedown was 8.9 g.	Pass

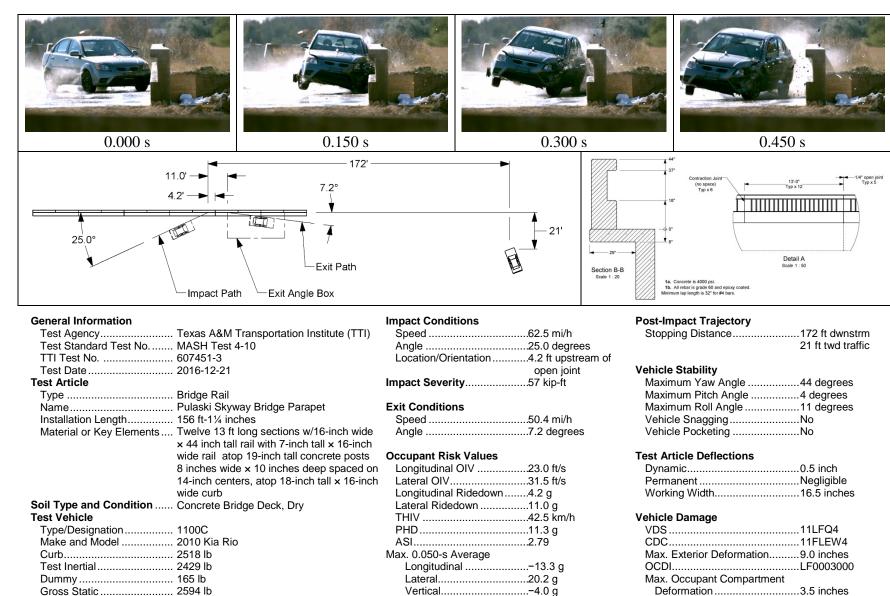
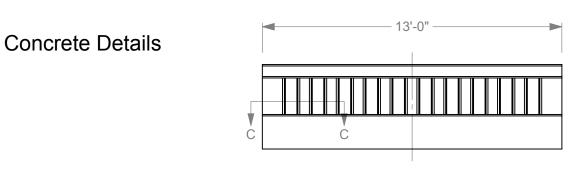


Figure 7.7. Summary of Results for MASH Test 4-10 on the Pulaski Skyway Bridge Parapet.

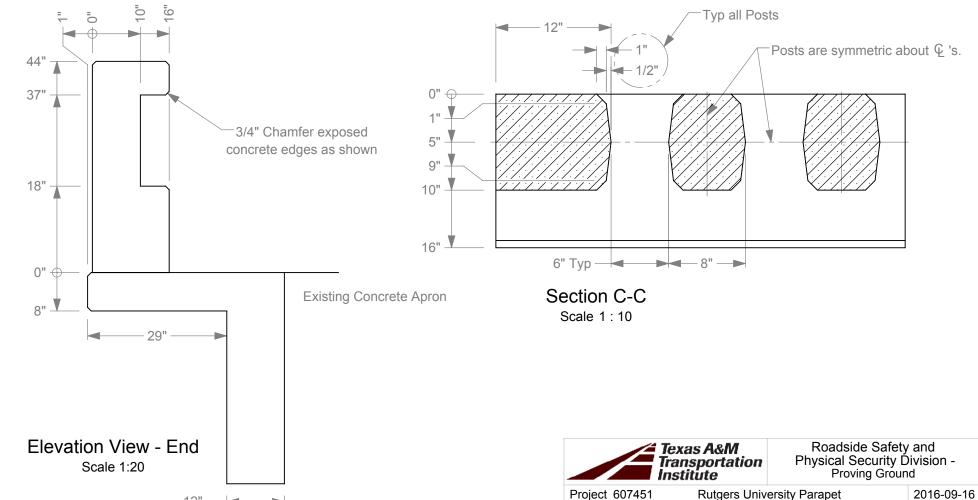
Table 8.3. Performance Evaluation Summary for MASH Test 4-10 on the Pulaski Skyway Bridge Parapet.

Test Agency: Texas A&M Transportation Institute Test No.: 607451-3 Test Date: 2016-12-21 MASH Test 4-10 Evaluation Criteria **Test Results Assessment** Structural Adequacy Test article should contain and redirect the vehicle or The Pulaski Skyway Bridge Parapet contained bring the vehicle to a controlled stop; the vehicle and redirected the 1100C vehicle. The vehicle should not penetrate, underride, or override the did not penetrate, underride, or override the Pass installation although controlled lateral deflection of installation. Maximum dynamic deflection the test article is acceptable. during the test was 0.5 inch. Occupant Risk D. Detached elements, fragments, or other debris from No detached elements, fragments, or other debris the test article should not penetrate or show potential were present to penetrate or show potential for for penetrating the occupant compartment, or present penetrating the occupant compartment, or to Pass an undue hazard to other traffic, pedestrians, or present hazard to others in the area. personnel in a work zone. Deformations of, or intrusions into, the occupant Maximum occupant compartment deformation compartment should not exceed limits set forth in was 3.5 inches in the left toe pan area. Pass Section 5.3 and Appendix E of MASH. The vehicle should remain upright during and after The 1100C vehicle remained upright during and collision. The maximum roll and pitch angles are not after the collision event. Maximum roll and Pass to exceed 75 degrees. pitch angles were 11 degrees and 4 degrees, respectively. Longitudinal OIV was 23.0 ft/s, and lateral OIV H. Longitudinal and lateral occupant impact velocities should fall below the preferred value of 30 ft/s, or at was 31.5 ft/s. Pass least below the maximum allowable value of 40 ft/s. Longitudinal and lateral occupant ridedown Maximum longitudinal ridedown was 4.2 g, and accelerations should fall below the preferred value of maximum lateral ridedown was 11.0 g. Pass 15.0 g, or at least below the maximum allowable value of 20.49 g.



Typical Parapet Section

Elevation View

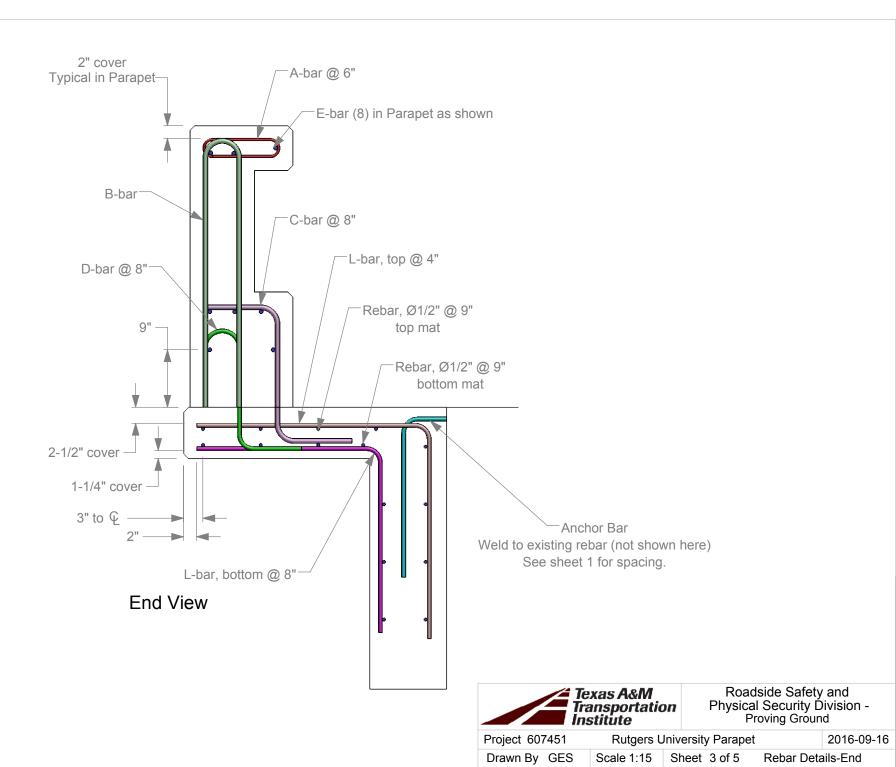


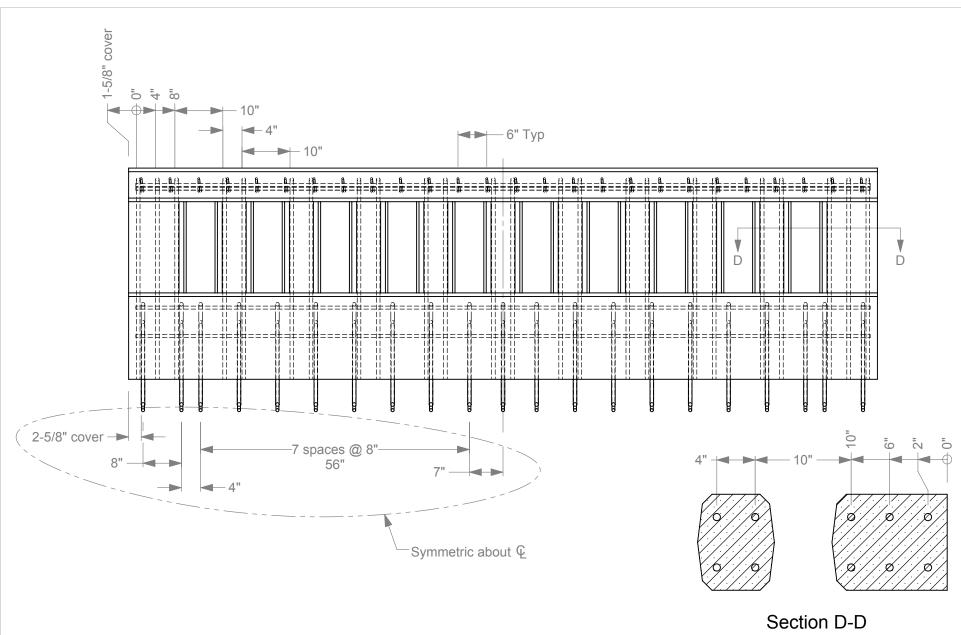
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Concrete Details





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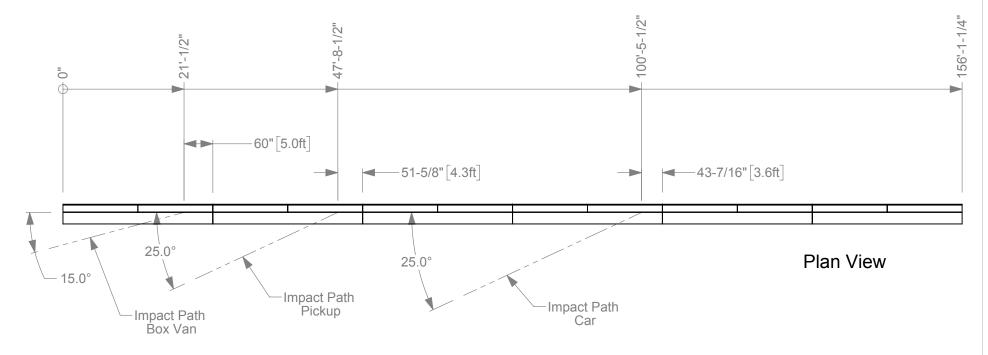
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Rebar Details-Elevation



		 	
	 		
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Elevation View



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Rutgers University Parapet

Test Installation

2016-12-15