## OPTIMIZING EXPANSION JOINTS FOR HIGH-MOVEMENT APPLICATION AUGUST 15, 2024 HEATHER GIFFORD – PRODUCT MANAGER GREG ROSS – ENGINEERING & TECHNICAL SERVICES MANAGER





## WHAT TO EXPECT







## **TYPES OF EXPANSION JOINTS**





## FACTORS TO CONSIDER







## MEDIUM MOVEMENT EXPANSION JOINTS



## MEDIUM MOVEMENT CAPABILITY 2" TO 13"



- Steel Reinforced Molded
- Structural Steel Armor
- **Structural Steel Finger Joints**





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# STEEL REINFORCED MOLDED SEGMENTAL EXPANSION JOINTS



# Molded Rubber, Quiet Ride, Low Profile







#### **Recommended for:**

- Light, medium, and heavy traffic
- Sealing joints 2 13 "
- Low height applications
- Staged Construction
- New and existing construction
- Walkways, Ramps, and Bridge decks



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# STRUCTURAL STEEL ARMOR **ARMORED EXPANSION JOINT** High Impact, Continuous Seal, **Low Profile**

- Ideal for differential slab movements or where skew forces are anticipated
- High impact, heavy duty, and repetitive loading conditions
- Shallow depth overlay projects
- Maximum movement of 5 inches





# STRUCTURAL STEEL ARMOR ARMORED EXPANSION JOINT



## **Benefits:**

- Anchorage aids to transmit and distribute impact forces
- Wabo<sup>®</sup>Crete uniformly fill all voids
- Excellent elasticity and bonding capabilities
- Rapid installation and limited downtime
- Continuous elastomeric sealing
- Manufactured to projects specific applications
- Multi-directional movement capacity







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## INNOVATIVE BRIDGE EXPANSION SOLUTIONS

## US Highway 101 NB – Russian River

#### Owner:

California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), District 1 State Highway Agency

#### Bridge Stats:

- Sonoma County, California Russian River Abutment of a Bridge
- Structure Length: 772 ft (235 m)
- Average Daily Traffic: 23,000 (+) vehicles, 13% truck traffic
- WBA Custom Solution:
  - Wabo<sup>®</sup>Flex <u>Model SR 4A</u>





## LARGE MOVEMENT EXPANSION JOINTS



## LARGE MOVEMENT CAPABILITY 6" TO 75" AND BEYOND



- Structural Steel Modular
- Structural Steel Finger Joints
- Steel Reinforced Molded (Segmental)





## STRUCTURAL STEEL MODULAR MULTIPLE SUPPORT BAR (STM)



## Industry Standard for Large Movement Expansion Joints, with Longitudinal Movement

- Sealing joints on bridges with movements greater than 4 inches
- New construction or repair of existing expansion joint systems
- High impact conditions



## STRUCTURAL STEEL MODULAR SINGLE SUPPORT BAR (BETA)



## Industry Standard for Large Movement Expansion Joints, with Transverse Movements and Skews

- New bridge construction requiring large longitudinal movements
- Fully customizable components can be designed to fit adjacent construction blockout depths as shallow as 9" (228 mm)
- Rehabilitation projects where specially designed systems can be supplied to connect to complex existing superstructure framing



## STRUCTURAL STEEL FINGER JOINTS TRADITIONAL FINGER JOINT



Robust Preference, Smooth Ride, Noise Reduction

- High impact and repetitive loading conditions, requiring robust design
- Simple one-piece installation



## STRUCTURAL STEEL MODULAR FINGER PLUS FINGER JOINT



Robust Preference, Easy Maintenance, Replaceability

- Areas where water removal is important and integrally tied into the bridge structure
- Owners looking for easy maintenance and replaceability of damaged parts



# STRUCTURAL STEEL FINGER JOINTS TRIDENT FINGER JOINT



## Robust Preference, Multi-directional Movement



- New construction that contains multidirectional movements
- Retro-fit applications where shallow blockout geometry exists, and/or replacement in stages is required
- Capable of accommodating movements





## INNOVATIVE BRIDGE EXPANSION SOLUTIONS

## Interstate-74 Illinois/Iowa

#### Owner:

 Illinois Department of Transportation/ Iowa Department of Transportation

#### Construction Team:

- Lunda Construction Company
- Civil Constructors
- HELM GROUP
- Design Team:
  - Alfred Benesch and Modjeski and Masters
- WBA Custom Solution:
  - Wabo<sup>®</sup>Modular
  - Wabo<sup>®</sup>Finger Joint





## INNOVATIVE BRIDGE EXPANSION SOLUTIONS

## Sarah Mildred Long Bridge

#### Owner:

- Maine DOT (lead), New Hampshire DOT and FHWA
- Construction Team:
  - Cianbro (construction manager/general contractor)

#### Design Team:

- FIGG/ Hardesty & Hanover JV
- WBA Custom Solution:
  - Wabo<sup>®</sup>Fingerjoint



# SEGMENTAL EXPANSION JOINTS STRUCTURAL STEEL W/STEEL REINFORCED RUBBER

## Wabo<sup>®</sup>MDM TransFlex



Robust Design, Quiet Ride Easy Maintenance, Replaceability, & multi directional movement

- Large movement, large gap with seismic potential
- Rehabilitation or replacement applications where minimizing time and impact to traffic is necessary
- Accelerated bridge construction projects







# ARMORED EXPANSION JOINTS



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# COMPREHENSIVE TESTING

- Life cycle fatigue testing
- AASHTO OMV / SPO testing
- Component testing







## INNOVATIVE BRIDGE EXPANSION SOLUTIONS

## San Francisco - Oakland Bay Bridge

#### Owner:

California Department of Transportation (Caltrans),
District 4 Toll Bridge Program

#### Bridge Stats:

- Bridge Type: Self-Anchored Suspension
- Height: 526 ft (160 m)
- Average Daily Traffic: 300,000 vehicles

#### WBA Custom Solution:

- Wabo<sup>®</sup>MDM TransFlex
  - The seismic plate joint systems span 47" (1.2 m) openings in the bridge deck and are able to accommodate 24"(+/- 12") of movement





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# SELECTING THE RIGHT SOLUTION



Collaboration

## **Build to Suit**

Quality

Reliability





# DESIGN FOR OPTIMAL PERFORMANCE

#### **Understanding the Design Needs**

Done between IST and Design Team. Need clear requirements.

#### Brainstorming with IST, and Discussion with Design Team

Done with IST and shared with Design Team. Concepts and what IST can offer.

#### **Concept 3D CAD Modeling**

Done by IST, to further conceptualize our offering.

#### **Model FEA and Simulation**

Done by IST to prove loading and loading at range of movement.

#### **Model Animation**

Done by IST to show design and range of motion intent with Design Team.

#### **3D Printed Scaled Proof of Concept**

Done by IST team as a first go proof of conceptual design and presented to Design Team.

#### **Full Size Mockup Fabrication**

Done by IST at the direction of Design Team for real life Demonstration.



# ENGINEERING CAPABILITIES

- Autodesk Inventor (IN) 3D Modeling
- IN Model Sharing
- IN Movement Simulations
- IN FEA Analysis
- 3D PDF Models
- 3D Printed Presentation Samples
- Blue Beam / Snagit Overlay tools
- Procore Construction Management
- Custom High Power CPU
- Increased Network Speeds













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## MANUFACTURING CAPABILITIES

## **40,000 SQUARE FEET OF MANUFACTURING SPACE**















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