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Emergency Repairs



An aerial photograph showing a long bridge under construction over a river. The bridge has multiple concrete piers and spans across the water. In the background, there is a large industrial building with a white roof. The foreground shows a grassy area with some trees.

# AGENDA

Construction Efforts  
Lessons Learned  
Acknowledgements



# Introduction

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# Introduction

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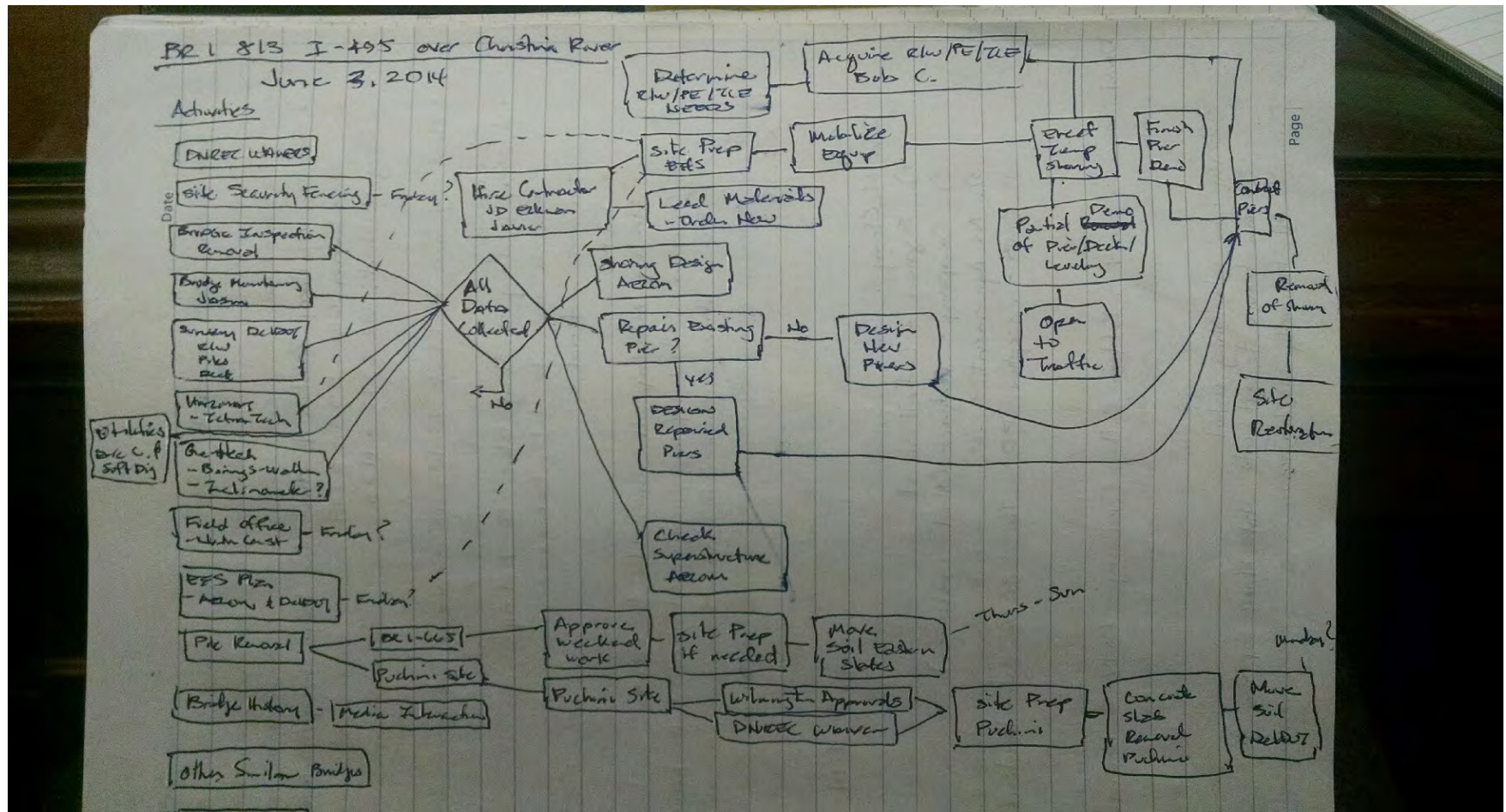
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## Construction Overview

- Putting the team together, planning, and execution



# Construction Overview

- Construction
  - Began 6/9/2014
    - Site grading
    - Causeway
    - Pier ties
  - Drilling Began 6/13/2014
  - 32 of 32 drilled shafts installed by 7/16/2014
  - Grade Beams Constructed at:
    - 12 and 13 SB North & South – 7/8/14
    - 12 and 13 NB North & South – 7/25/14



*Pier Ties Installed*



# Construction Overview

- Shoring Towers
  - 12 and 13 SB North & South – 7/22/14
  - 12 and 13 NB North & South – 8/5/14
- Underpinning
  - Pier 11 & 14 SB – 7/26/14
  - Pier 11 & 14 NB – 8/05/14
- Jacking
  - SB 7/29/14
  - **SB Open – 7/31/14**
  - NB 8/20/14
  - **NB Open – 8/23/14**



*First Delivery of Casing Arrives  
6/12/2014*



# Construction Efforts



*First Drill Rig on Site  
6/13/2014*



*Rebar Cage from Tappan Zee  
6/16/2014*

# Construction Efforts

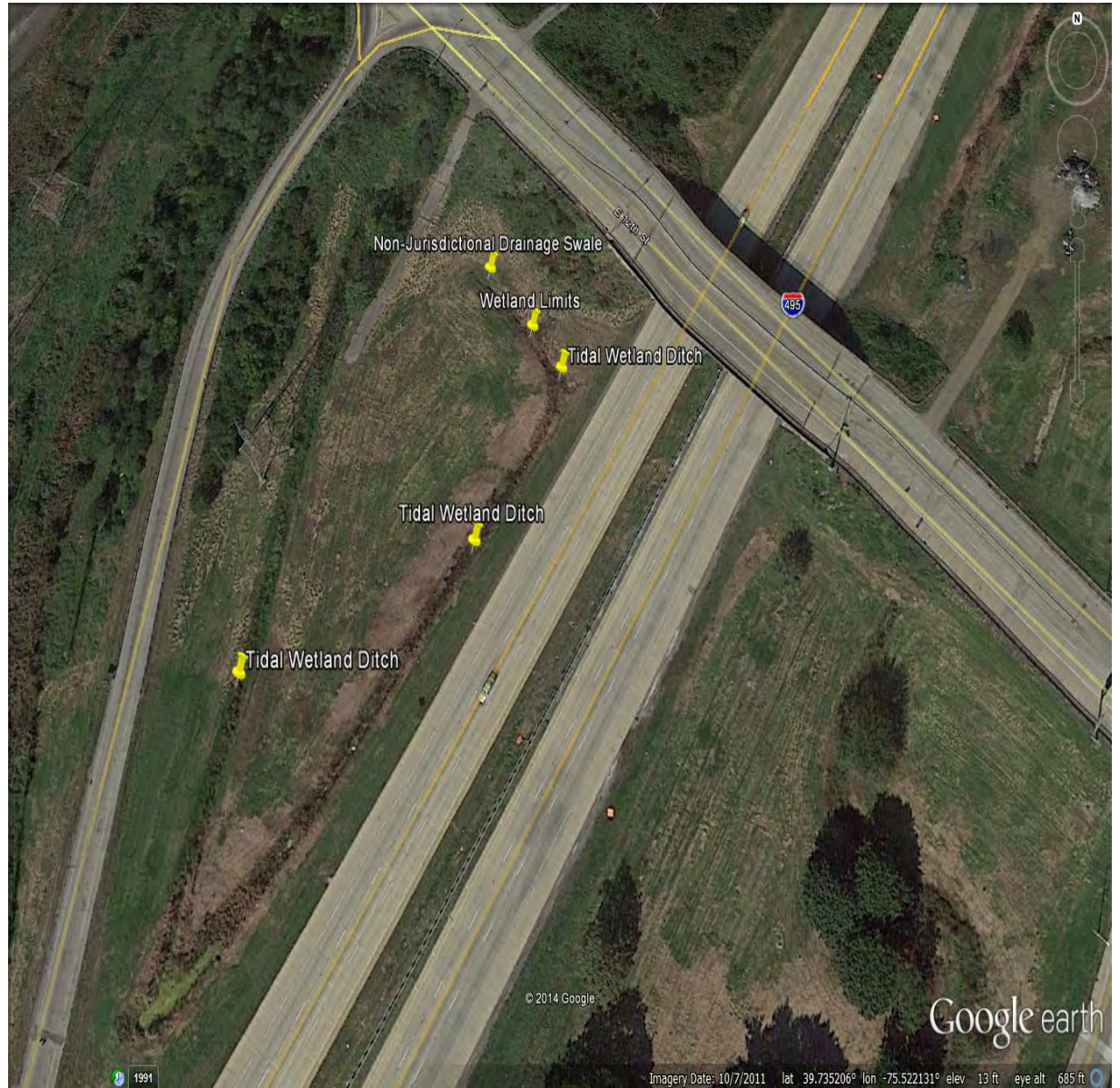




# Construction Efforts

## Excessive Dirt

- Terminal Ave
- 12<sup>th</sup> St.
- Hazmat Disposal





# Construction Efforts



*Lifting 160 foot long Rebar Cage*

# Construction Efforts



*First Drilled Shaft Reinforcing Cage  
6/21/2014*





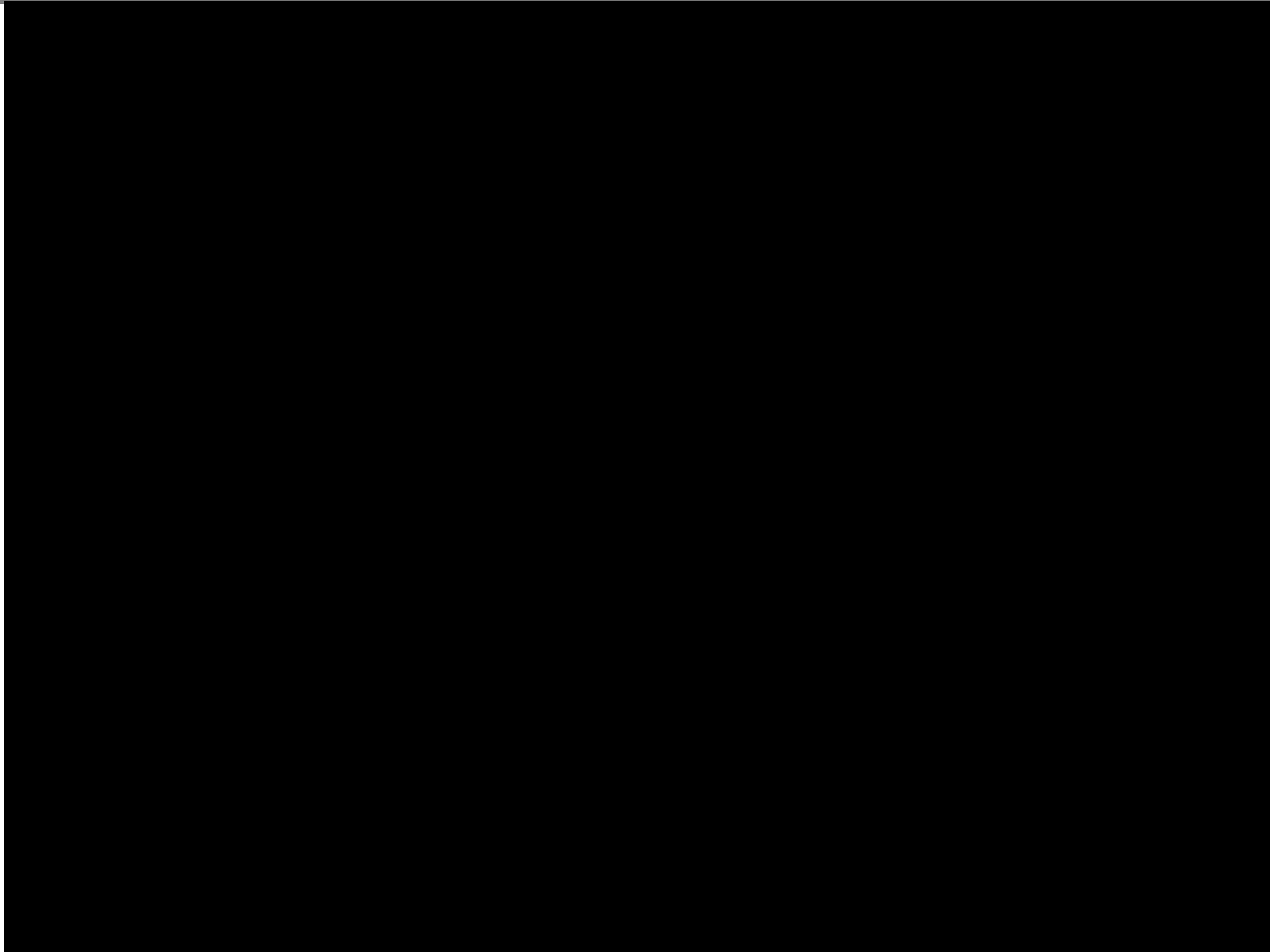
# Construction Efforts



*Access Holes in Bridge Deck for Placement of Drilled Shaft Rebar*



# Construction Efforts



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- Drilled Shafts – Pouring PCC
  - Casings went to bedrock and were filled with a slurry.
  - SCC concrete was tremie poured from the bottom and slurry was pumped out and recycled.



# Construction Efforts





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- Grade Beams (Piers 12 & 13)
  - Grade beams were formed on each side of the piers.
  - Poured in 2 segments. SB portions poured first.
  - Because of the mass of the pours, a thermal plan circulating water from the river to regulate the temperatures had to be used.





# Construction Efforts

- Underpinning (Piers 11 & 14)
  - 4 Drilled Shafts per Pier
  - Poured in 2 lifts over existing footing.
  - Post tensioned to existing footing.
  - Also required a thermal plan due to the mass concrete pour.





# Construction Efforts



*View of Site Looking East  
6/27/2014*



# Construction Efforts



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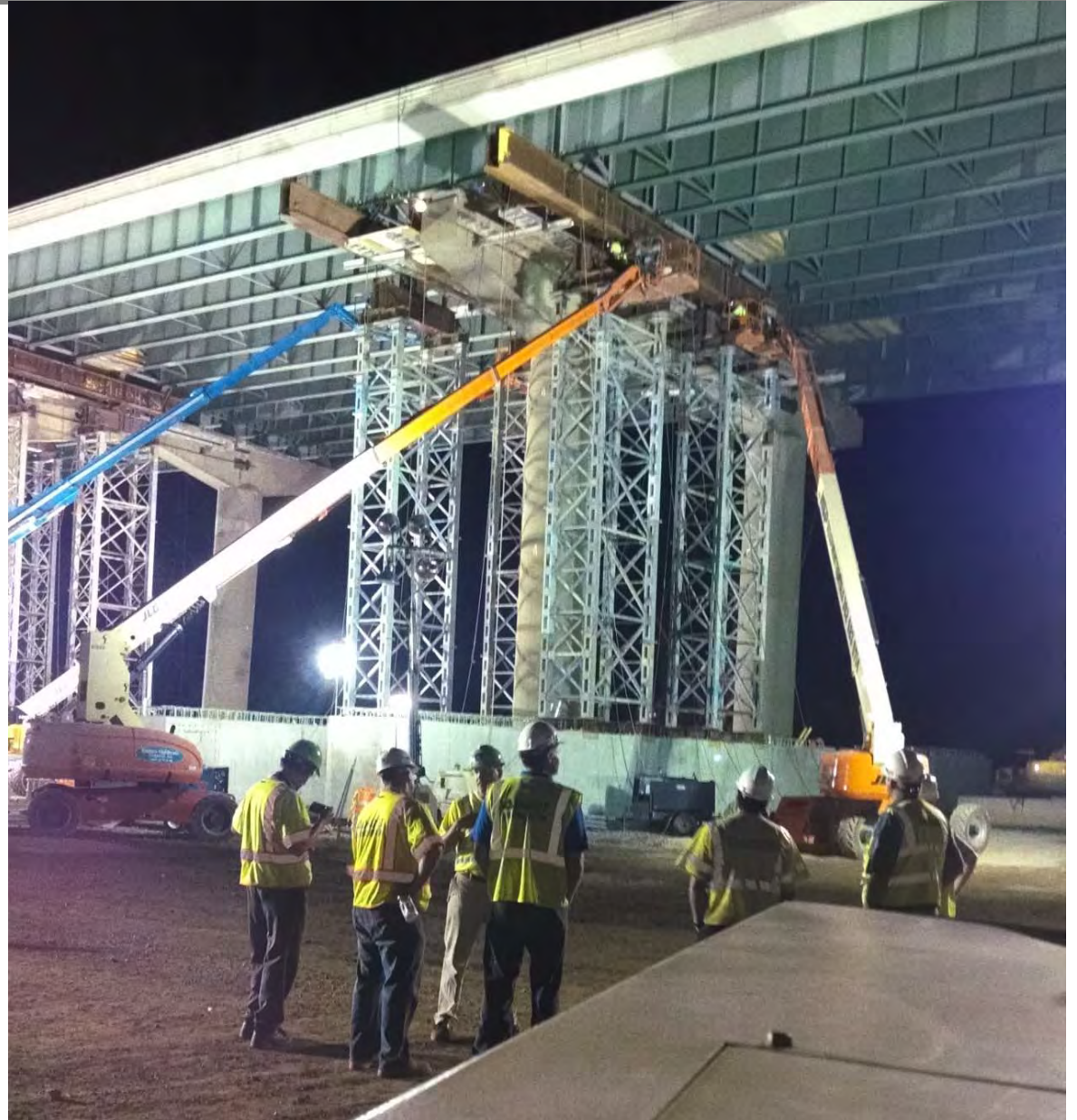
*Shoring Towers on Grade Beam with  
Header Beam at 12 SB  
7/24/2014*





# Construction Efforts

*Southbound Jacking  
7/29/2014*



# Construction Efforts

*Southbound Jacking 7/29/14 -  
7/31/14*



“...The credit belongs to  
the person who is  
actually in the arena...”

T. Roosevelt

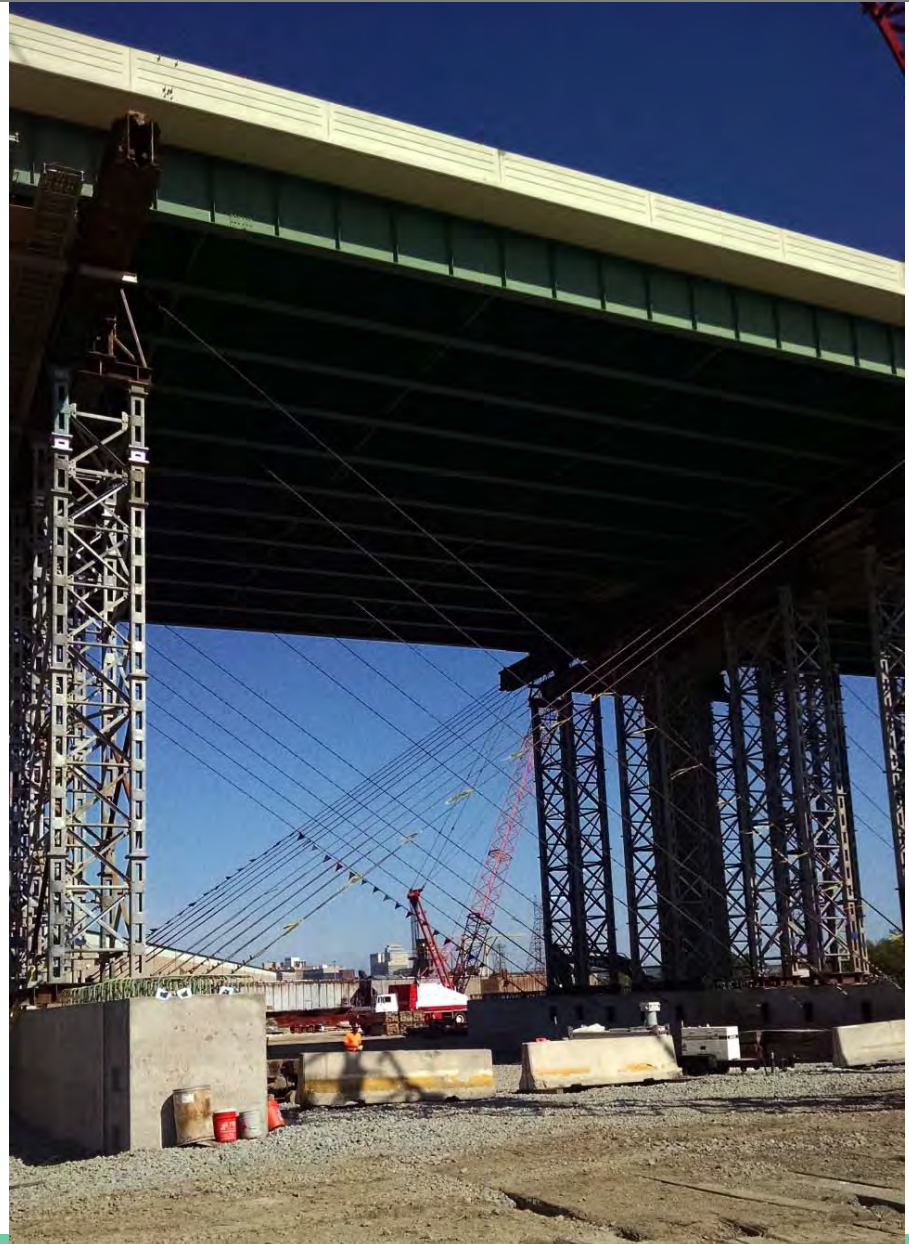


*Project team working through one unpredicted  
structural response during jacking.*



# Construction Efforts

*Longitudinal Bracing*



# Construction Efforts



*Southbound Opening  
7/31/2014*





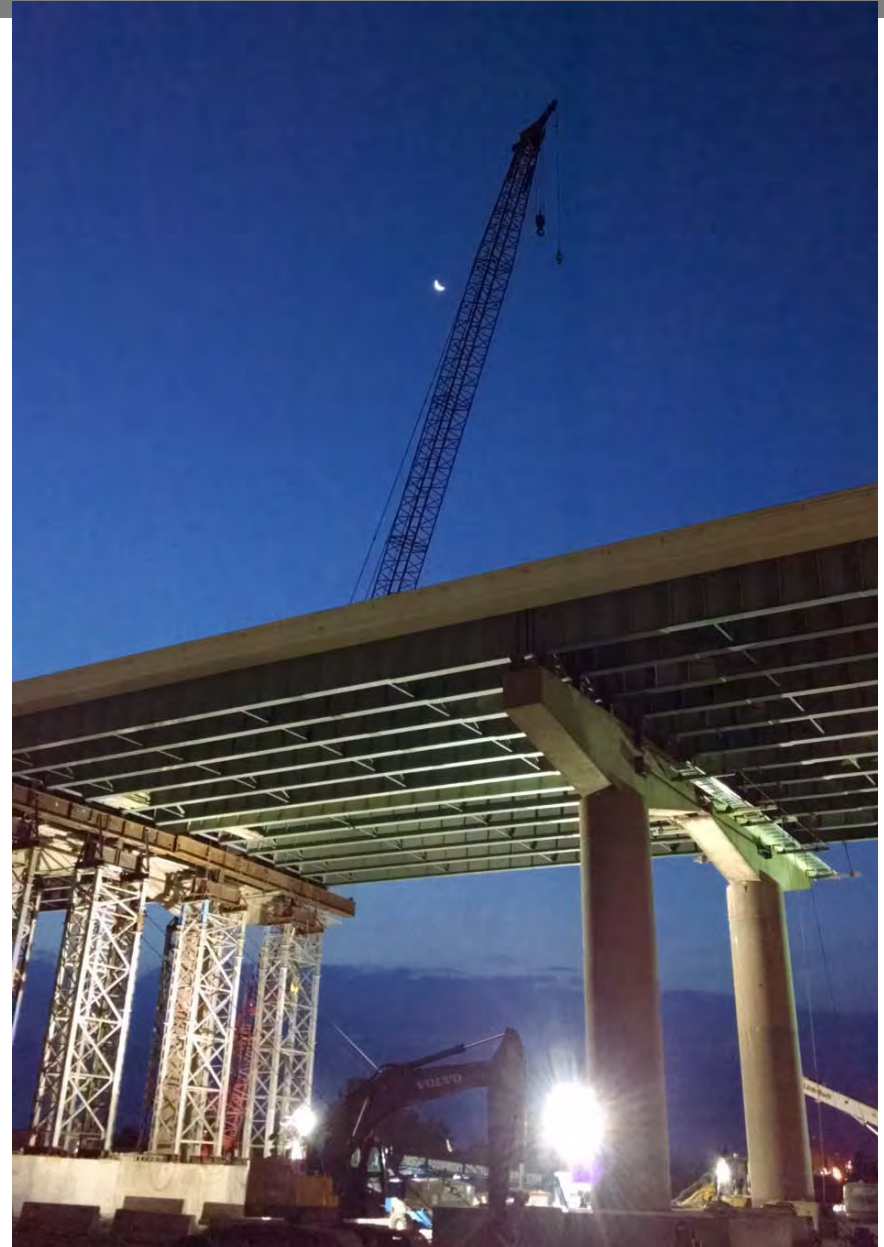
# Construction Efforts

*Erecting Shoring Towers on NB  
8/4/2014*



# Construction Efforts

*Northbound Jacking  
8/20/2014*





# Construction Efforts

*Bridge Superstructure Displaced  
from Bearing and Pier at Pier 12 NB*



# Construction Efforts



*Completed underpinning and longitudinal bracing*



# Construction Efforts



*Northbound Opening  
8/23/2014*



# Construction Efforts

## *Removal of Existing Piers 12 & 13*





# Construction Efforts

## *Cutting Pier Caps with Wire Saw*





# Construction Efforts



*Lowering Exterior Cut Section*





# Construction Efforts



*Lowering Interior Cut Section*





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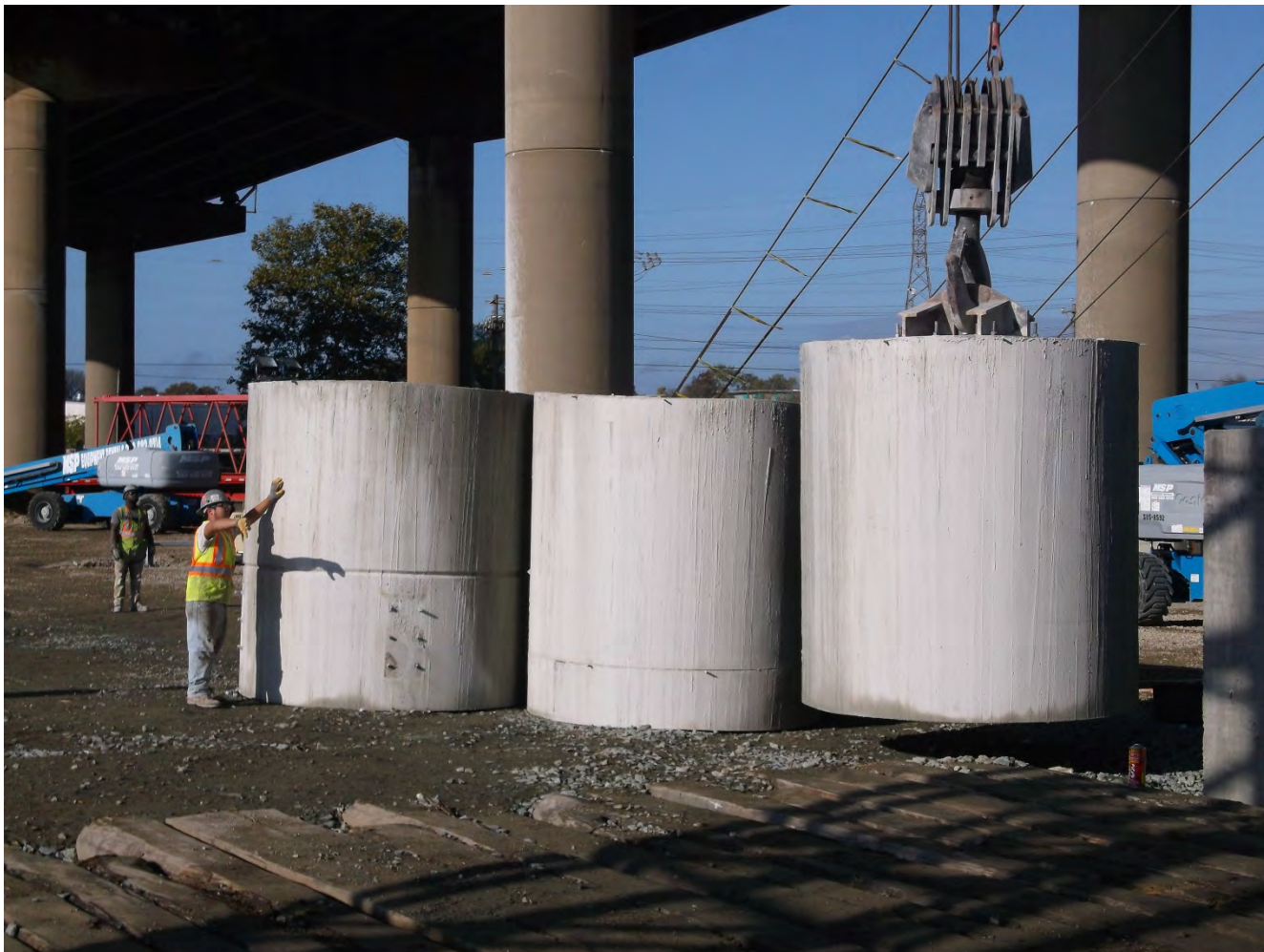


*Removing Columns*



# Construction Efforts

*Pier 12E Removed  
10/15/2014*





# Construction Efforts

*Geofoam place between grade  
beams and caps poured.  
10/30/14*





# Construction Efforts

*Columns for new 3 Pile Bent Going Up  
12/08/14*





# Construction Efforts

*Temporary support structure for pier cap*





# Construction Efforts

*Temporary Support structure for pier cap (limited room)*





# Construction Efforts

*Tie complete rebar cage for pier cap.*

*Installed cooling tubes.*

*Set bulkheads.*

*Set pier cap forms.*





# Construction Efforts





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# Construction Efforts

*Installation of Bearings at Pier 11.*





# Lessons Learned

- Lessons learned
  - Need to get design and construction team together ASAP.
  - Need qualified designer and contractor that has the expertise on board.
  - Identify long lead items
  - Establish chain of command
  - Manage site
  - Emergency Declaration
  - Communication to key stakeholders
  - There are no bad ideas. Consider all options and create atmosphere of cooperation and collaboration
  - Relationships are very important
  - Engage all sections of the Department

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# QUESTIONS?

