UHPC

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What is UHPC?

It's pretty!

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It's efficient





Why UHPC?

- High compressive strength
- High durability
- Low permeability
- Fibers (removal mild reinforcement)
- High bond strength
- After curing it is stable and has minimal creep and shrinkage
- More efficient sections
- Self leveling

Typical Properties

- Compressive strength = 18-33 ksi
- Flexural strength = 2.2-7 ksi
- Tensile strength = 1.1-1.6 ksi
- Modulus of elasticity = 6,000 to 8,000 ksi

What is UHPC made of?

- Cementitious materials: Portland cement, silica fume, cement, slag cement
- Aggregate: fine sand, silica powder, ground quartz
- Reinforcement: fibers (metallic and non-metallic)
- Placeability and hydration provided with water and superplasticizer
- Largest aggregate (fine sand 0.024 inches)
- Steel Fibers (0.008 inches x 0.5 inches)
- W/C ratio 0.15-0.25



Sample Mix Design

- Portland Cement: 1200 lbs/yd³
- Silica Fume: 390 lbs/yd³
- Fine Sand: 1720 lbs/yd³
- Ground Quartz: 355 lbs/yd³
- Superplasticizer: 51 lbs/yd³
- Water: 218 lbs/yd³
- Steel Fibers: 263 lbs/yd³











UHPC Experiences













Mars Hill Bridge

- 110 ft single span
- 3 beam cross section
- Modified Iowa bulb-tee
- Integral abutments
- 8 inch cast-in-place deck
- Open style concrete rail.

Summary of Section



110' Girder Casting







Completed Structure





Little Cedar Creek Bridge A.K.A. Waffle Slab Project

- Developed jointly by Coreslab, Iowa State University, Wapello Co, and Iowa DOT
- Proposed system builds on prior work by FHWA and others
- Panels fabricated by Coreslab, Omaha
- 8 in. panels cast up side down
- For texture, form liners were used for production panels.
- Joints were field-cast with UHPC



Typical Web Detail





Typical Transverse Joint Detail



Waffle Slab Production Panel

- Individual panels 8'-0 x 16'-2 ³/₄ tied at the centerline of roadway
- #6 reinforcing bars top and bot at rib spacing
- Total 14 precast panels for project
- Stainless steel reinforcing in field joints
- Field casting of joints using UHPC









Bridge Deck Cross Section



SECTION THRU PANELS

Panel Placement




Joint Casting













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Jakway Park Bridge

- 3 spans
- End spans CIP concrete slab (30'-7" ea)
- Center span 3 PI girders (51'-2")

PI Girder

- Developed by MIT/FHWA
- Optimized section
- No Mild Steel
- Integral Deck
- Tested by FHWA and revised due to problems with transverse capacity.

Final Section New detail



BOTTOM STRAND DEBONDING	
SYMBOL	DEBONDED LENGTH FROM EACH END OF BEAM
•	3'-0

A = 860.8 in² yb = 22.5 in I = 105,730 in⁴ wt/ft = 0.932 k/ft

SECTION PROPERTIES

PI cross-section





Girder Placement





Grouting of Pockets

Final Section New detail











Mud Creek Bridge UHPC Overlay

- Existing deck was ground
- Mesh was placed over the piers
- 1.5" UHPC overlay placed with vibrating screed
- Covered with plastic for curing
- After curing the surface was ground again and ultimately grooved to obtain desired texture

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US-23 over the Little Black River Cheboygan, MI





Decked Adjacent (Side by Side) Box Beams


























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