

WEBBERS FALLS RECENT PROJECTS AND SCOUR REPAIR

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Meeting Agenda

- 10:30 11:40 Travel from Tulsa to Webbers Falls Powerhouse, eat boxed lunches (gather at USACE office Visitor's Parking Lot for caravaning, travel Highway 51 East)
- 11:40 12:10 Sponsor Spotlight, Safety Briefing, Q&A with Contractor
- 12:10 12:20 Recent projects overview (Project Signage, Upstream Dike Repair, Downstream Site Work, Tainter Gate Rehab)
- 12:20 12:40 Scour Repair Background, Design, Construction Products
- 12:40 13:05 Field Visit, Staging Area Viewing
- 13:05 14:15 Travel from Webbers Falls to Tulsa

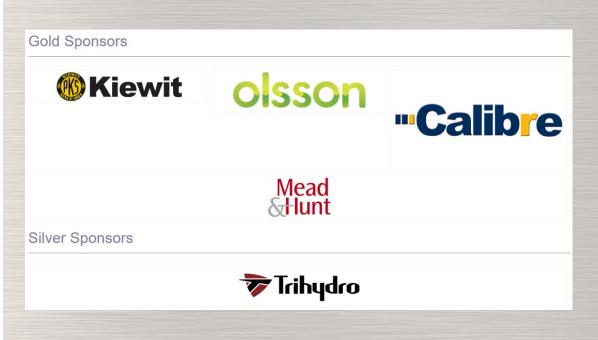




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Presentation Agenda

Recent Projects Overview

- Project Signage
- Upstream Dike Repair
- Downstream Channel Site Work
- Tainter Gate Rehab/Replacement

Scour Repair

- Background
- Design Detailing
- Construction







Scheduling Challenges

- President's Budget FY21-24 presented concurrent challenges
- Continuing Resolution Authority (CRA) has limited historic and present Operations and Maintenance Budgets
- Government has operated under CR for 27 consecutive years, dating back to FY98
- Generally, limits new fiscal year budgets to 0-5% above the average of previous 5 fiscal years
- Increasing construction costs outpace budgets to perform the required O&M work
 - Thus, work gets "piled up" and may occur simultaneously





Project Signage

- Replaces existing aged signage with new signage meeting modern standards for font size, color, reflectivity, and material
- Work was performed concurrently with tainter gate rehab project on the downstream side of the dam







Upstream Dike Repair





Basis of Project:

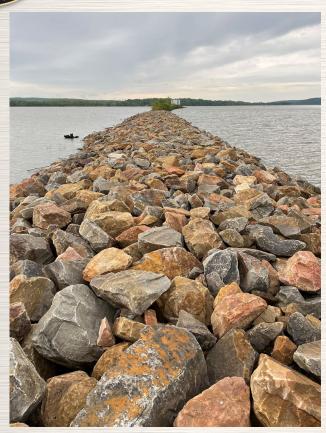
- Significant vegetative growth undermines dike cohesion
- 2019 Flood inundation resulted in dike breaches
- Historic dike degradation for elevation and cross section

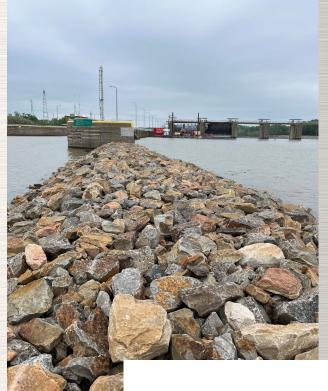






Upstream Dike Repair





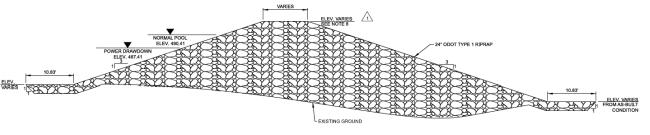
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Completed Dike Repair:

- Removed Vegetation
- Re-established crest width
- Improved riprap and bedding
- Re-established channel toe alignment for lock and spillway









Downstream Site Work

Work occurred concurrently with tainter gate rehab, dike repair, signage replacement, scour repair, and powerhouse repairs

2019 Flooding in northeast Oklahoma and southeast Kansas resulted in significant flows which degraded the channel banks

Existing riprap and subgrade was washed downstream, significant damage to powerhouse access road







Downstream Site Work

Repair Access Road to Powerhouse Gate

Demolish damaged roadway, foundation prep, agg base Access Road, Guard Rail and Fence

Demolish damaged roadway, foundation prep, agg base, asphalt (option)

Remove and replace damaged guardrail and fencing

Riprap Embankment Repair and Debris Removal Downstream

Two (2) gradations of riprap, limits of each shown on plans

Walkway and Stairs Replacement

Repair one stair to remain in place, replace one stair, repair damaged walkway

Guardrail and Fence Repair

Remove and replace damaged guardrail and fencing









Tainter Gate Rehabilitation

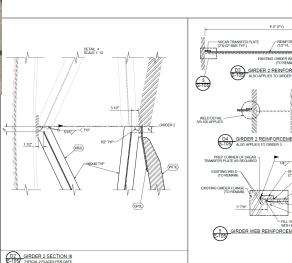
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Many phases for complete Tainter Gate Repair:

- Deconstruction of gate, blasting, inspection and report
- Removing skin plate
- Reinforcing girders and stringers
- New members and welds
- Skin Plate and Stiffener Plate Rehab
- Seal and Wire Rope Rehab
- Painting, Reinstall, Testing, Inspection









Brief History

- Webbers Falls Lock and Dam has historically had scour noted immediately downstream of the spillway (since 1974)
- SWT utilized services of the USACE Inland Navigation Design Center to evaluate stability of structures based on scour and provide recommendations for scour countermeasures in 2015.
- No instabilities were found however, the INDC recommended to address the scour holes by filling them with unreinforced unanchored underwater concrete (1,778 CY)
- SWT utilized Mead&Hunt to develop plans and specifications to address the scour holes; however, they proposed a much bigger area of concrete (15,000 CY) in 2019 at an est. cost of \$8M
- Record pool event in May 2019 which increased scour



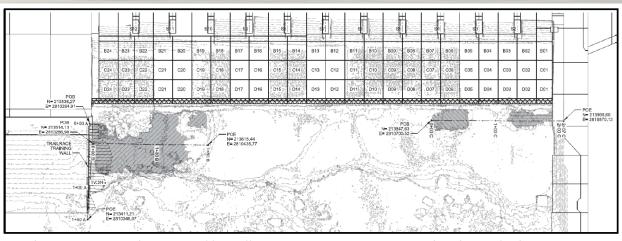


Figure 1: Scour Repair Areas (Webber Falls L&D 16 Downstream Scour Engineering Evaluation Report, INDC 2015)

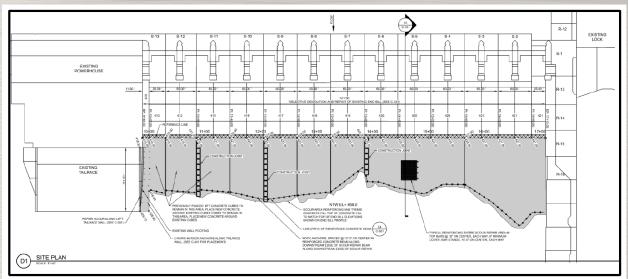


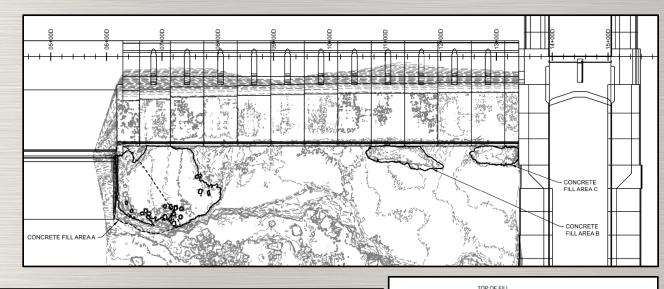
Figure 3: Underwater Concrete Fill Areas (Webber Falls L&D 16 Scour Hole Repairs Design Documentation Report, Mason & Hanger + Mead & Hunt, April 2019)

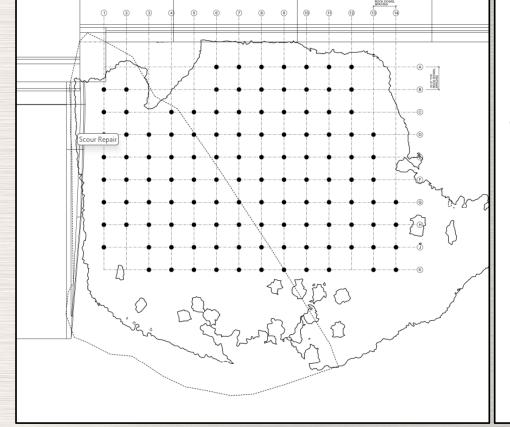


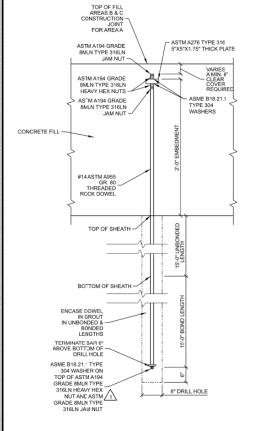
Award Scour Repair

- Total amount of underwater concrete
 - 4,595 CY Area A
 - 470 CY Area B
 - 315 CY Area C
- #10 & #14 ASTM A955 Grade 80 rock dowels spaced 10' in each direction
- Concrete compressive strength at 56 days 4500 psi

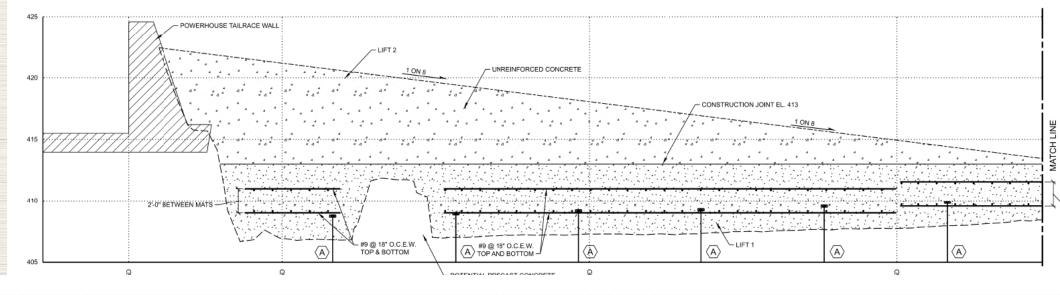


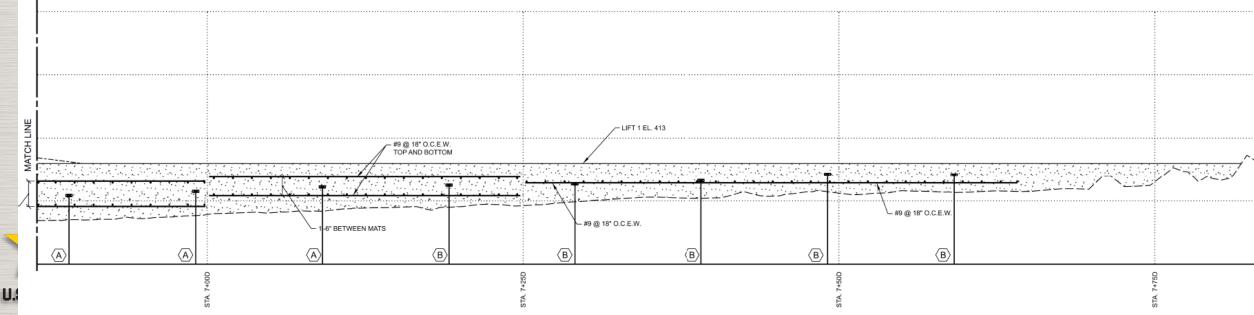














Dresden Lock & Dam Illinois River

- INDC Report provided this case study
- Rock Island District used underwater concrete to fill scour holes immediately downstream of navigation lock
- Successfully placed 10,000 CY of underwater concrete
- Concrete mixed onsite and pumped across spillway to floating barge















Underwater Concrete (VERY Complex Mix)

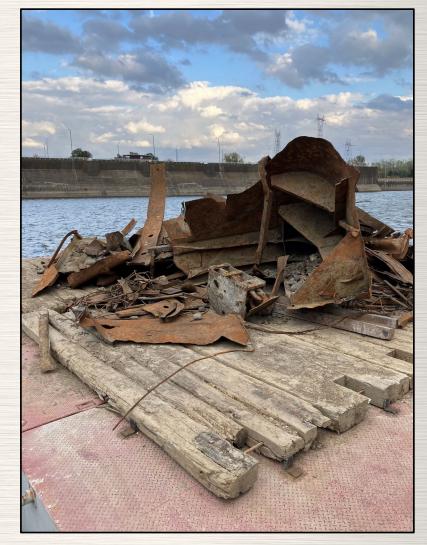
- USACE Technical Report INP-SL-1 September 1999
- Maximum water to cementitious materials is 0.40
- Over half of cementitious materials is slag and fly ash
- Fine aggregates to total aggregates is 45-50%
- Nominal Maximum Size Aggregate is 1 inch
- Ratio of volume of coarse aggregate to the volume of total solids must be between 0.37 and 0.5
- Ratio of weight of water to the total weight of cementitious materials and aggregate finer than 150 micrometer sieve combined must be between 0.14 and 0.17
- Encourages fines content
- Anti-washout admixture, high range water reducer, retarder, viscosity modifying admixture for SCC
- Limit placing temperature to 60 degrees F <u>maximum</u>













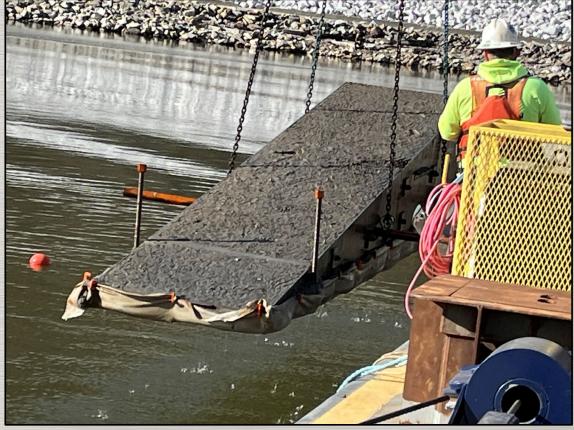
Existing Debris Removed from Scour



New Rock Dowel Anchors











New Lift 1 Reinforcing Cage Tied to Rock Dowel Anchors

New Lift 2 Custom Sloped Formwork, Transition from Wall



Confirmation of Work

- **Advanced Sonar Imaging**
- **Bathymetric Surveys**
- **Diver Inspections**



250316 Webbers Falls Lift 1 Concrete Bathymetric Survey

-Survey performed on Mar. 16th with USACE QA personnel Volume of concrete placed based on post dowel bathymetric

surface to post concrete bathymetric surface: 3,249.5 cv

-U.S. State Plane NAD83(2011) - Oklahoma North

-NAVD88-G18

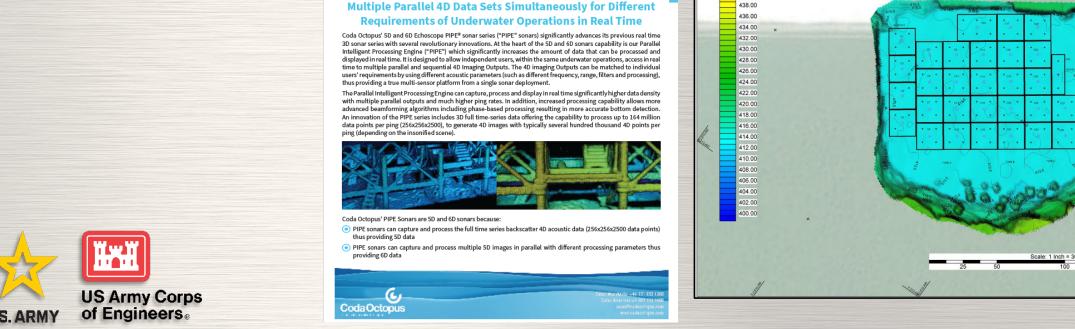
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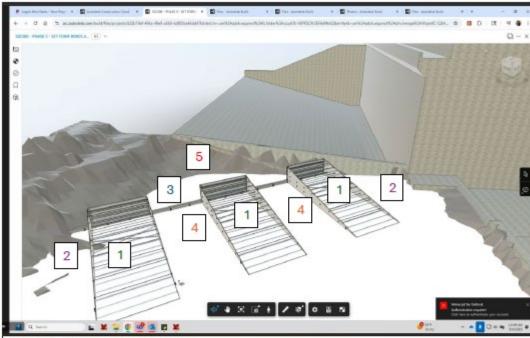
-U.S. Survey Feet

Multiple Parallel 4D Data Sets Simultaneously for Different









Lift 2 Concrete Placement Order

