

# 2016 UNDERWATER BRIDGE INSPECTION REPORT



## BRIDGE # 31556 CSAH 14 over BIG FORK RIVER

DISTRICT: District 1

COUNTY: Itasca

CITY/TOWNSHIP: LIBERTY

STATE: Minnesota

Date of Inspection: 06/04/2016

Equipment Used:

Owner: County Highway Agency

Inspected By: Stromberg, Dan

Report Written By: Dan Stromberg

Report Reviewed By:

Final Report Date:



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## UNDERWATER INSPECTION

### REPORT SUMMARY

The substructure units inspected below water at Bridge No. 31556, Piers 1 through 3, were found to be generally in good condition with no defects of structural significance at this time. The piles exhibited minor surface corrosion and rust nodules up to 1/4 inch in diameter with negligible pitting or section loss. The channel bottom around the substructure units appeared stable with no scour, and only a light accumulation of timber debris was present at the upstream piles of Piers 1 and 2.

### INSPECTION FINDINGS

(A) The steel piles were typically in good condition with coating loss on up to 10% of their surface area and minor surface corrosion with rust nodules up to 1/4 inch in diameter and negligible pitting or section loss.

(B) The abutment slopes were well armored with riprap up to 24 inches in diameter.

(C) The channel bottom material at Piers 1 and 2 typically consisted of sandy gravel allowing up to 2 inches of probe rod penetration. Additionally a 12 inch diameter log was present along the north side of the upstream pile of Pier 2.

(D) A light accumulation of timber debris with logs up to 12 inch diameter was present along the upstream piles of Pier 1.

(E) The channel bottom material around Pier 3 consisted of soft silt allowing up to 1.5 feet of probe rod penetration.

### RECOMMENDATIONS

(A) Reinspect the submerged substructure units at the normal maximum recommended (NBIS) interval of sixty (60) months.

Contractor: Collins Engineers, Inc.

Contractor Job Number: 9687

## UNDERWATER INSPECTION

### 1. BRIDGE DATA

Bridge #: 31556  
Feature Intersected: BIG FORK RIVER  
Facility Carried: CSAH 14  
District: District 1  
County: 031 - Itasca  
Bridge Description:

The superstructure consists of four spans of reinforced concrete slab. The superstructure is supported by two reinforced concrete abutments and three steel pipe pile bent piers. The piers are numbered 1 through 3 starting from the south.

### 2. INSPECTION DATA

Professional Engineer/Team Leader: Daniel G. Stromberg  
Inspection Diver: Daniel G. Stromberg  
Date of Underwater Inspection: 06/04/2016  
Weather Conditions: Overcast, 64°F  
Underwater Visibility (feet): 1.0 feet  
Waterway Velocity (ft/sec): 1.0 ft/sec

### 3. SUBSTRUCTURE INSPECTION DATA

Substructure(s) Inspected: Piers 1, 2, and 3  
General Shape:  
Piers 1 through 3 consist of a single line of 7 steel pipe piles supporting a reinforced concrete cap.

Maximum Water Depth at Substructure(s) Inspected (feet): 6.5 feet

### 4. WATERLINE DATUM

Water Level Reference: The top of the pier cap at the upstream end of Pier 1.  
Waterline Elevation (feet): 1318.27 feet  
Description: The waterline was located approximately 6.0 feet below the reference.

### 5. NBIS CODING INFORMATION

(Minnesota specific codes are used for 92B and 113)

Item 60: Substructure: Code: 7  
Item 61: Channel and Channel Protection: Code: 8  
Item 62: Culvert: Code:  
Item 92B: Underwater Inspection: Code: Y 48 06/2016

Item 113: Scour Critical Bridge:

Code: N

Bridge is scour critical because abutment or pier foundation is rated as unstable due to observed scour at bridge site.

Yes  No (Mark your selection with an X)

6. STRUCTURAL ELEMENT CONDITION RATING

ELEM #	Element Description	Quantity	Unit	Conditions			
				CS1	CS2	CS3	CS4
225	Steel or CIP Piling	21	EA	21			
885	Scour	1	EA	1			

## UNDERWATER INSPECTION

### INSPECTION PROCEDURES

The routine underwater inspection of Bridge 31556 (CSAH 14 over Big Fork River) was completed on June 4, 2016. The underwater inspection was conducted from shore. The inspection was conducted by a team consisting of a Professional Engineer Diver with a valid MnDOT Team Leader certification, a backup diver and dive tender. The inspection utilized commercial dive equipment and techniques (SSA and/or SCUBA) in accordance with OSHA regulations. Channel bottom profiles were taken along the upstream and downstream faces of the bridge and around the periphery of substructure units to determine the presence, location and area of scour.

The bridge elements inspected consisted of three piers. According to the bridge inventory, Piers 1 through 3 are founded on steel pipe piles supporting a reinforced concrete cap. Inspection procedures followed FHWA guidance and the MnDOT Bridge and Structure Inspection Program Manual with channel bottom probing to search for foundations. The maximum routine underwater inspection frequency is recommended to remain at 60 months based on those findings and risk factors. Also, inspection procedures should continue to follow the above approach and standard guidance with 100% Level I and 10% Level II intensity efforts.

# Minnesota Structure Inventory Report

Bridge ID: 31556

CSAH 14 over BIG FORK RIVER

Date: 08/12/2016

+ GENERAL +	+ ROADWAY +	+ INSPECTION +																				
<b>Agency Br. No.</b> Crew <b>District</b> 01 <b>Maint. Area</b> <b>County</b> 031 - Itasca <b>City</b> <b>Township</b> 31041 - LIBERTY <b>Desc. Loc.</b> 0.5 MI S OF JCT CR 150 <b>Sect., Twp., Range</b> 6 - 149N - 25W <b>Latitude</b> 47 ° 45 ' 32.97 " <b>Longitude</b> 93 ° 54 ' 17.58 " <b>Custodian</b> 02 - County Highway Agency <b>Owner</b> 02 - County Highway Agency <b>BMU Agreement</b> <b>Year Built</b> 2013 <b>MN Year Reconstructed</b> <b>FHWA Year Reconstructed</b> <b>MN Temporary Status</b> <b>Bridge Plan Location</b> 3 - COUNTY <b>Date Opened to Traffic</b> 12/03/2013 <b>On - Off System</b> 1 - ON <b>Legislative District</b> 06A <b>Potential ABC</b> 2 - N/A	<b>Bridge Match ID (TIS)</b> 0 <b>Roadway O/U Key</b> Route On Structure <b>Route Sys</b> 04 - CSAH <b>Number</b> 14 <b>Roadway Name or Description</b> CSAH 14 <b>Level of Service</b> 1 - MAINLINE <b>Roadway Type</b> 2 - 2-way traffic <b>Control Section (TH Only)</b> <b>Reference Point</b> 002+00.750 <b>Detour Length</b> 17.0 mi. <b>Lanes</b> <b>ON</b> 2 <b>UNDER</b> 0 <b>ADT</b> 180 <b>YEAR</b> 2009 <b>HCA DT</b> <b>ADTT</b> % <b>Functional Class</b> 07 - Rural - Major Collector	<b>Userkey</b> 71 <b>Structurally Deficient</b> N <b>Functionally Obsolete</b> N <b>Sufficiency Rating</b> 97.8 <b>Routine Inspection Date</b> 11/13/2014 <b>Routine Inspection Frequency</b> 24 <b>Inspector Name</b> Stromberg, Dan <b>Status</b> A - Open																				
		<b>+ NBI CONDITION RATINGS +</b>																				
		<b>Deck</b> 9 <b>Unsound Deck %</b> <b>Superstructure</b> 9 <b>Substructure</b> 7 <b>Channel</b> 8 <b>Culvert</b> N																				
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	<b>If Divided</b> <b>NB-EB</b> <b>SB-WB</b> <b>Roadway Width</b> 32.0 ft. ft. <b>Vertical Clearance</b> ft. ft. <b>Max. Vert. Clear.</b> ft. ft. <b>Horizontal Clear.</b> 32.0 ft. ft. <b>Lateral Clearance</b> ft. ft. <b>Appr. Surface Width</b> 32.0 ft. <b>Bridge Roadway Width</b> 32.0 ft. <b>Median Width On Bridge</b> ft.	<b>Structure Evaluation</b> 7 <b>Deck Geometry</b> 7 <b>Underclearances</b> N <b>Waterway Adequacy</b> 9 <b>Approach Alignment</b> 8																				
<b>+ STRUCTURE +</b>		<b>+ SAFETY FEATURES +</b>																				
<b>Service On</b> 1 - Highway <b>Service Under</b> 5 - Waterway <b>Main Span Type</b> 2 - Concrete Continuous <b>Main Span Design</b> 09 - Slab Span <b>Main Span Detail</b> <b>Appr. Span Type</b> <b>Appr. Span Design</b> <b>Appr. Span Detail</b> <b>Skew</b> 0 <b>Culvert Type</b> <b>Barrel Length</b> <b>Cantilever ID</b>		<b>Bridge Railing</b> 1 - MEETS STANDARDS <b>GR Transition</b> 0 - SUBSTANDARD <b>Appr. Guardrail</b> 0 - SUBSTANDARD <b>GR Termini</b> 0 - SUBSTANDARD																				
	<b>+ MISC. BRIDGE DATA +</b>	<b>+ IN DEPTH INSP. +</b>																				
<b>Number of Spans</b> <b>MAIN:</b> 4 <b>APPR:</b> 0 <b>TOTAL:</b> <b>Main Span Length</b> 48.0 ft. <b>Structure Length</b> 173.6 ft. <b>Deck Width (Out-to-Out)</b> 35.3 ft. <b>Deck Material</b> 1 - Concrete Cast-in-Place <b>Wear Surf Type</b> 1 - Monolithic Concrete <b>Wear Surf Install Year</b> 2013 <b>Wear Course/Fill Depth</b> 0.00 ft. <b>Deck Membrane</b> 0 - None <b>Deck Rebars</b> 1 - Epoxy Coated Reinforcing <b>Deck Rebars Install Year</b> 2013 <b>Structure Area (Out-to-Out)</b> 6136 sq. ft. <b>Roadway Area (Curb-to-Curb)</b> 5555 sq. ft. <b>Sidewalk Width</b> 50A. Lt 0 ft. 50B. Rt 0 ft. <b>Curb Height</b> Lt 0.00 ft. Rt 0.00 ft. <b>Rail Type</b> Lt 22 Rt 22	<b>Structure Flared</b> 0 - No flare <b>Parallel Structure</b> N - No parallel structure <b>Field Conn. ID</b> <b>Abutment Foundation (Material/Type)</b> 1 - CONC 8 - INTEGRAL <b>Pier Foundation (Material/Type)</b> 1 - CONC 4 - PILE BENT <b>Historic Status</b> 5 - Not eligible	<table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="width: 60%;"></th> <th style="width: 10%; text-align: center;">Y/N</th> <th style="width: 15%; text-align: center;">Freq</th> <th style="width: 15%; text-align: center;">Date</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td><b>Frac. Critical</b></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Underwater</b></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td style="text-align: right;">06/04/2016</td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Pinned Asbly.</b></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Spec. Feat.</b></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		Y/N	Freq	Date	<b>Frac. Critical</b>				<b>Underwater</b>			06/04/2016	<b>Pinned Asbly.</b>				<b>Spec. Feat.</b>			
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<b>Year Painted</b> <b>Unsound Paint %</b> <b>Painted Area</b> sq. ft. <b>Primer Type</b> <b>Finish Type</b>		<b>Drainage Area (sq. mi.)</b> 536.0 <b>Waterway Opening (sf.)</b> 1332 <b>Navigation Control</b> 0 - No nav. control on <b>Pier Protection</b> <b>Nav. Clr. (ft.)</b> <b>Vert.</b> 0.0 <b>Horiz.</b> 0.0 <b>Nav. Vert. Lift Bridge Clear. (ft.)</b> <b>MN Scour Code</b> N - STBL - LIM <b>Year</b> 2010																				
	<b>+ BRIDGE SIGNS +</b>	<b>+ CAPACITY RATINGS +</b>																				
<b>Posted Load</b> 0 - Not Required <b>Traffic</b> 0 - Not Required <b>Horizontal</b> 1 - Object Markers <b>Vertical</b> N - Not Applicable		<b>Design Load</b> A - HL 93 <b>Operating Rating</b> 2 - HS TRUCK 42.4 <b>Inventory Rating</b> 2 - HS TRUCK 25.4 <b>Posting VEH:</b> <b>SEMI:</b> <b>DBL:</b> <b>Rating Date</b> 11/02/2011 <b>Overweight Permit Codes</b> <b>A</b> N - N/A <b>B</b> N - N/A <b>C</b> N - N/A																				

**MINNESOTA BRIDGE INSPECTION REPORT**

08/31/2016

Inspector: CO Bridge

**BRIDGE 31556 CSAH 14 OVER BIG FORK RIVER**

County: Itasca	Location: 0.5 MI S OF JCT CR 150	Length: 173.6 ft.
City:	Route: 04 - CSAH 14 Ref. Pt.: 002+00.750	Deck Width: 35.3 ft.
Township: 31041 - LIBERTY	Control Section:	Rdwy. Area/ Pct. Unsnd: 5555 sq. ft. / %
Section: 6 Township: 149N Range: 25W Maint. Area:		Paint Area/ Pct. Unsnd: sq. ft. / %
Span Type: 2 - Concrete Continuous 1 - Slab	Local Agency Bridge Nbr.:	Culvert: N/A
List:		Postings:
NBI Deck: 9 Super: 9 Sub: 7 Chan: 8 Culv: N		
	Open, Posted, Closed: A - Open	
	MN Scour Code: N - STBL - LIM SCOUR	

Appraisal Ratings - Approach: 8 Waterway: 9	Unofficial Structurally Deficient	N
Required Bridge Signs - Load Posting: 0 - Not Required	Unofficial Functionally Obsolete	N
Horizontal: 1 - Object Markers	Unofficial Sufficiency Rating	97.8
Traffic: 0 - Not Required		
Vertical: N - Not Applicable		

ELEM NBR	ELEMENT NAME	REPORT TYPE	INSP. DATE	QUANTITY	QTY CS 1	QTY CS 2	QTY CS 3	QTY CS 4
38	Reinforced Concrete Slab	Underwater	08/12/2016	6136 SF	6136	0	0	0
		Migrated Values		6136 SF	6136	0	0	0
Notes: [2013] Typical down centerline and a few transverse micro cracks at slab bolsters locations noticed.								
510 - Wearing Surfaces		Underwater	08/12/2016	5555 SF	5555	0	0	0
		Migrated Values		5555 SF	5555	0	0	0
Notes: Concrete Slab with Bituminous Overlay Notes: No Issues								
215	Reinforced Concrete Abutment	Underwater	08/12/2016	111 LF	111	0	0	0
		Migrated Values		111 LF	111	0	0	0
Notes: [2016] Migrator added 40 LF to abutment quantity to account for wingwalls (CS1:40 CS2:0 CS3:0 CS4:0).								
225	Steel Pile	Underwater	08/12/2016	21 EA	21	0	0	0
		Migrated Values		21 EA	21	0	0	0
515 - Steel Protective Coating		Underwater	08/12/2016	999 SF	999	0	0	0
		Migrated Values		999 SF	999	0	0	0
Notes: [2016] Migrator assumed CS1 and a quantity of 999 SF.								
234	Reinforced Concrete Pier Cap	Underwater	08/12/2016	103 LF	103	0	0	0
		Migrated Values		103 LF	103	0	0	0
301	Pourable Joint Seal	Underwater	08/12/2016	64 LF	64	0	0	0
		Migrated Values		64 LF	64	0	0	0
Notes: Approach to Deck Joint.								
321	Reinforced Concrete Approach Slab	Underwater	08/12/2016	1280 SF	1280	0	0	0
		Migrated Values		1280 SF	1280	0	0	0
Notes: [2016] Migrator assumed an approach slab length of 20FT and used the inventory quantity of 32FT for the width. [2013] Transverse crack about 3 to 4 ft. out from end of deck joint.								
331	Reinforced Concrete Bridge Railing	Underwater	08/12/2016	347 LF	347	0	0	0
		Migrated Values		347 LF	347	0	0	0
Notes: [2013] One vertical crack between each construction joint, Typical of most bridges.								

**BRIDGE 31556 CSAH 14 OVER BIG FORK RIVER**

ELEM NBR	ELEMENT NAME	REPORT TYPE	INSP. DATE	QUANTITY	QTY CS 1	QTY CS 2	QTY CS 3	QTY CS 4
800	Critical Deficiencies or Safety Hazards	Underwater	08/12/2016	1 EA	1	0	0	0
		Migrated Values		1 EA	1	0	0	0
Notes: NO CRITICAL FINDINGS OBSERVED DURING THE LAST INSPECTION.								
810	Concrete Decks - Cracking & Sealing	Underwater	08/12/2016	0 LF	0	0	0	0
		Migrated Values		0 LF	0	0	0	0
Notes: [2013] Transverse crack over piers								
822	Bituminous Approach Roadway	Underwater	08/12/2016	2 EA	2	0	0	0
		Migrated Values		2 EA	2	0	0	0
Notes: [2014] New								
885	Scour	Underwater	08/12/2016	1 EA	1	0	0	0
892	Slopes & Slope Protection	Underwater	08/12/2016	1 EA	1	0	0	0
		Migrated Values		1 EA	1	0	0	0
Notes: Seems as built.								
893	Guardrail	Underwater	08/12/2016	4 EA	4	0	0	0
		Migrated Values		4 EA	4	0	0	0
894	Deck & Approach Drainage	Underwater	08/12/2016	1 EA	1	0	0	0
		Migrated Values		1 EA	1	0	0	0
900	Protected Species	Underwater	08/12/2016	1 EA	1	0	0	0
		Migrated Values		1 EA	1	0	0	0
Notes: Use this element to track the presence of protected species living on this structure.								

General Notes: Inspected by TR, [2013-2014], Approach panels crack at 12" to thick tapered area to appr. seat.

July 2014: Bridge 31556 added to inventory by MnDOT Bridge Office.

The January 1, 2014, "dummy" inspection was created by the MnDOT Bridge Office --- THIS IS NOT AN ACTUAL FIELD INSPECTION.

58. Deck NBI:

36A. Brdg Railings NBI:

36B. Transitions NBI:

36C. Appr Guardrail NBI:

36D. Appr Guardrail Terminal NBI:

59. Superstructure NBI:

60. Substructure NBI: All piles typically in good condition with only minor surface corrosion and rust nodules up to 1/4 inch.

61. Channel NBI:

62. Culvert NBI:

71. Waterway Adeq NBI:

72. Appr Roadway Alignment NBI:

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Inventory Notes:

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Inspector's Signature

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Reviewer's Signature

# Pictures



Photo 1 - Upstream Fascia, Looking Northeast



Photo 2 - Downstream Fascia, Looking Southwest

# Pictures



Photo 3 - Pier 1, Looking Northeast

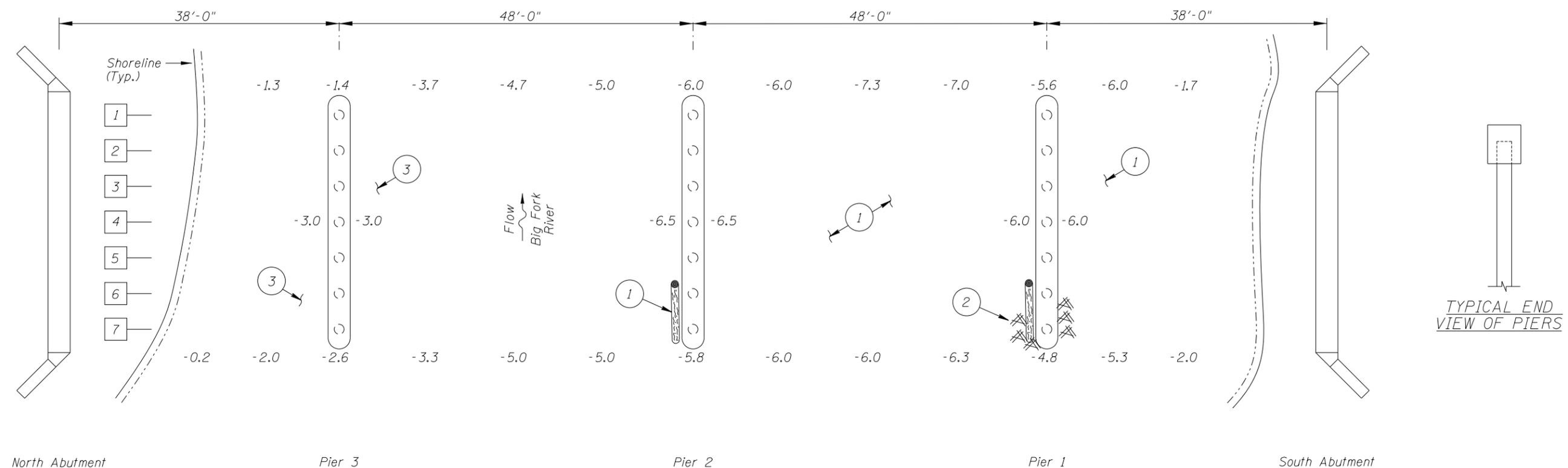
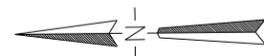


Photo 4 - Pier 2, Looking Southwest

## Pictures



Photo 5 - Pier 3, Looking Southwest



**GENERAL NOTES:**

1. Piers 1, 2, and 3 were inspected underwater.
2. At the time of inspection, on June 4, 2016, the waterline was located approximately 6.0 feet below the top of the pier cap at the upstream end of Pier 1. This corresponds with a waterline elevation of 1318.27 based on the design plans.
3. The steel piles were typically in good condition with coating loss on up to 10% of their surface area and minor surface corrosion with rust nodules up to 1/4 inch in diameter and negligible pitting or section loss.
4. The abutment slopes were well armored with riprap up to 24 inch diameter.
5. Soundings indicate the water depth at the time of inspection and are measured in feet.
6. Soundings were taken parallel to the bridge at 1/4 point intervals between the substructure units.

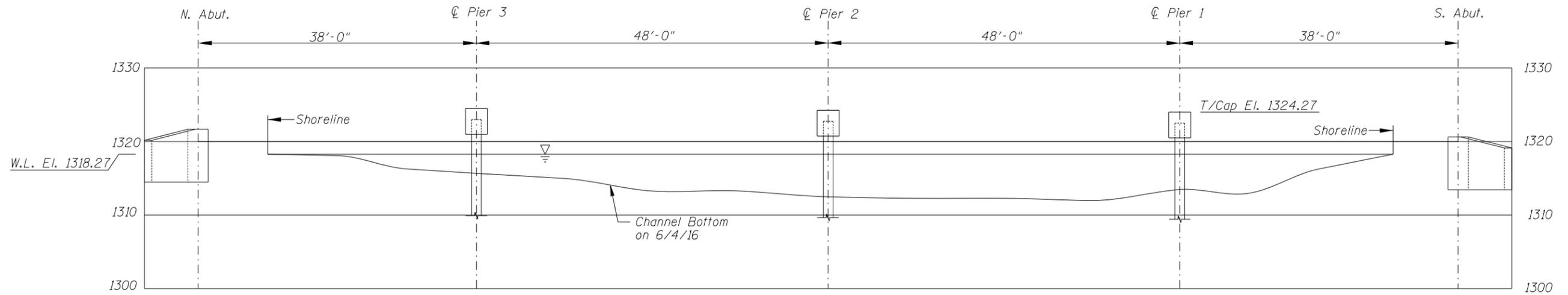
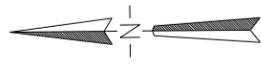
**INSPECTION NOTES:**

1. The channel bottom material at Piers 1 and 2 typically consisted of sandy gravel allowing up to 2 inches of probe rod penetration. Additionally, a 12 inch diameter log was present along the north side of the upstream pile at Pier 2.
2. A light accumulation of timber debris with logs up to 12 inch diameter was present along the upstream piles of Pier 1.
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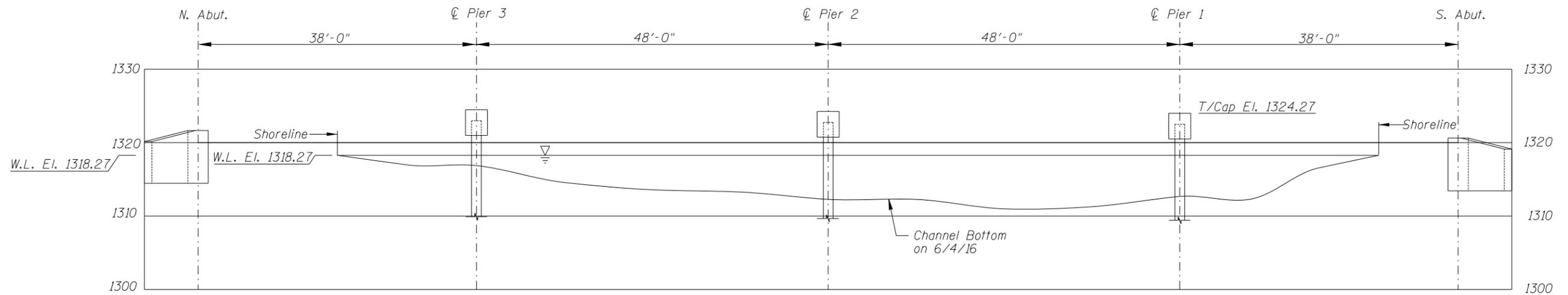
**Legend**

- 4.8 Sounding Depth (6/4/16)
- Steel Pile
- 5 Pile Number Designation
- Timber Debris
- Timber (Log) Debris

<b>MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION UNDERWATER BRIDGE INSPECTION</b>		
STRUCTURE NO. 31556 OVER BIG FORK RIVER DISTRICT I, ITASCA COUNTY		
<b>INSPECTION AND SOUNDING PLAN</b>		
DRAWN BY: ELN	<b>COLLINS ENGINEERS</b> <small>133 North Wacker Drive Suite 900 Chicago, IL 60606 (312) 704-9300 www.collinsengr.com</small>	DATE: JUNE 4, 2016
CHECKED BY: DGS		SCALE: NTS
CODE: 968731556		FIGURE NO.: 1



UPSTREAM FASCIA PROFILE  
Vertical Scale: 1"=15'-0"



DOWNSTREAM FASCIA PROFILE  
Vertical Scale: 1"=15'-0"

Note:  
Refer to Figure 1 for General Notes.

<b>MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION UNDERWATER BRIDGE INSPECTION</b>		
STRUCTURE NO. 31556 OVER BIG FORK RIVER DISTRICT I, ITASCA COUNTY UPSTREAM AND DOWNSTREAM FASCIA PROFILES		
DRAWN BY: ELN	<b>COLLINS ENGINEERS</b>	DATE: JUNE 4, 2016
CHECKED BY: DGS		SCALE: NTS (U.O.N.)
CODE: 968731556		FIGURE NO.: 2