

INTENDED USE

Midwest Guardrail System (MGS) with 1/2 post spacing should be used in locations where a maximum dynamic deflection of 28" [705] or less is acceptable and where a working width of 44" [1120] is provided. MGS should be anchored and terminated using a suitable guardrail end treatment that is approved with a 31" [787] top mounting height. MGS can be used with wide-flange steel posts (PWE06) or timber posts (PDE02). Guardrail sections measuring 300" [7620] long can be used in lieu of the 150" [3860] long sections. This system is TL-3 NCHRP 350 accepted, and is acceptable according to the update to NCHRP 350.

COMPONENTS

DESIGNATOR	Component	System	NUMBER	
FBB01	Guardrail splice bolts and nuts	a-b	8	
FBB06	Guardrail post bolts and nuts	a	4	
FBB07	Guardrail post bolts and nuts	b	4	
FWC16a	Round washer	b	4	
PDB10	MGS timber blockout	a	4	
PDB11	MGS timber blockout	b	4	
PDE02	Timber guardrail post	b	4	
PWE06	Wide-flange guardrail post	a	4	
RWM04a	W-beam rail	a-b	1	
	16D nail, galvanized	a-b	4	

ACCEPTANCE

FHWA Acceptance Letter B-133, March 1, 2005. Acceptance according to the update to NCHRP 350 will be pursued.

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