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1 INTRODUCTION

The objective of the literature search described herein was to identify and display aesthetic-type barriers appropriate for use in scenic areas. The barriers identified in this review include parapets, guardrails, and bridge rails and were evaluated according to Test Level 1 (TL-1), Test Level 2 (TL-2), and Test Level 3 (TL-3) safety performance criteria set forth in the National Cooperative Highway Research Program (NCHRP) Report No. 350, Recommended Procedures for the Safety Performance Evaluation of Highway Features (1).

2 LITERATURE REVIEW

2.1 Parapets

A limited amount of research has been conducted on rock, stone, and concrete parapets.

This section is a summary of those studies and results that are relevant to this project.

2.1.1 Deep Cobble-Revealed Textured Barrier with a Type 60 Profile

In 2002, Peter et al. (2) conducted tests (TL-3) on a deep cobble-reveal textured barrier with a Type 60 profile. The Type 60 barrier used as a base profile for all textured barrier testing is show in Figure 1 and the assembled texture barrier used for testing is shown in Figures 2 and 3. The test results are provided in Figure A-1.



Figure 1. Existing Type 60 Profile Used For Testing

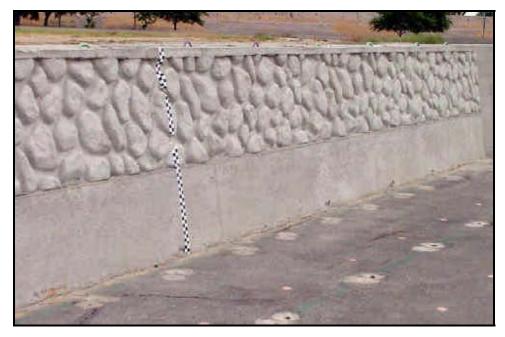


Figure 2. Deep Cobble-Revealed Textured Barrier Prior to Testing



Figure 3. Deep Cobble-Revealed Textured Barrier Following Testing

2.1.2 Mission Arch Textured Barrier with a Type 60 Profile

In 2002, Peter et al. (2) conducted tests (TL-3) on a mission arch textured barrier with a Type 60 profile. The assembled barrier used for testing is shown in Figures 4 and 5. The test results are provided in Figure A-2.



Figure 4. Mission Arch Textured Barrier Prior to Testing



Figure 5. Mission Arch Textured Barrier Following Testing

2.1.3 Dry Stack Stone Textured Barrier with a Type 60 Profile

In 2002, Peter et al. (2) conducted tests (TL-3) on a dry stack stone textured barrier with a Type 60 profile. The assembled barrier used for testing is shown in Figures 6 and 7. The test results are provided in Figure A-3.



Figure 6. Dry Stack Stone Textured Barrier Prior to Testing



Figure 7. Dry Stack Stone Textured Barrier Following Testing

2.1.4 Fractured Granite Textured Barrier with a Type 60 Profile

In 2002, Peter et al. (2) conducted tests (TL-3) on a fractured granite textured barrier with a Type 60 profile. The assembled barrier used for testing is shown in Figures 8 and 9. The test results are provided in Figure A-4.



Figure 8. Fractured Granite Textured Barrier Prior to Testing



Figure 9. Fractured Granite Textured Barrier Following Testing

2.1.5 Rough Stone Masonry Guardwall

In 2004, Bullard, Jr. et al. (3) conducted tests (TL-3) on a reinforced precast or cast-inplace concrete stone veneered highway barrier. The assembled barrier used for testing is shown in Figures 10 and 11, the layout is shown in Figure 12, and the test results are provided in Figure A-5.



Figure 10. Top View of Rough Stone Masonry Guardwall



Figure 11. Overall View of Rough Stone Masonry Guardwall

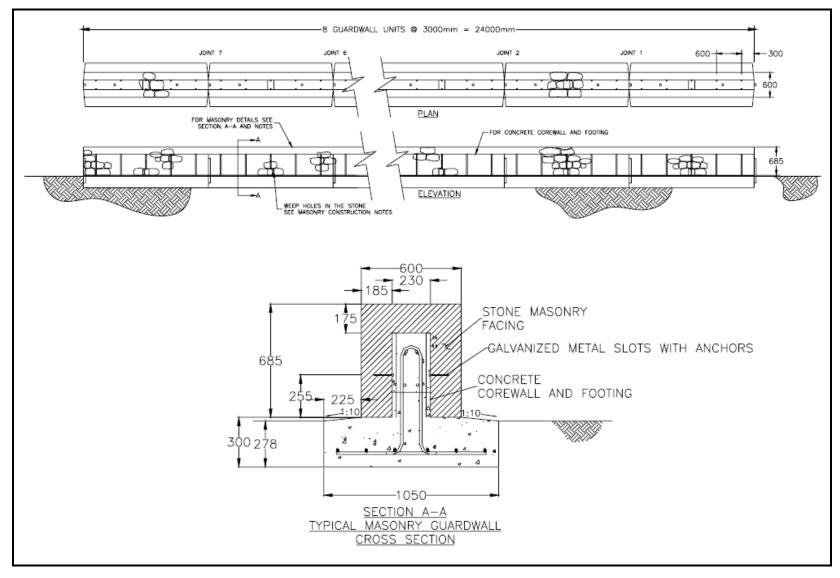


Figure 12. Layout and Cross Section of Rough Stone Masonry Guardwall

2.1.6 Pre-cast Concrete Guardwall

This Pre-cast Concrete Guardwall has been crash tested and meets the requirements of NCHRP Report 230 (4). Though never crash tested to TL-3, the FHWA has accepted this guardwall for use on federal highways (5). The assembled barrier in use on a federal highway is shown in Figures 12 and 13, and the layout is shown in Figure 14.



Figure 13. Top View of Pre-cast Concrete Guardwall



Figure 14. Overall View of Pre-cast Concrete Guardwall

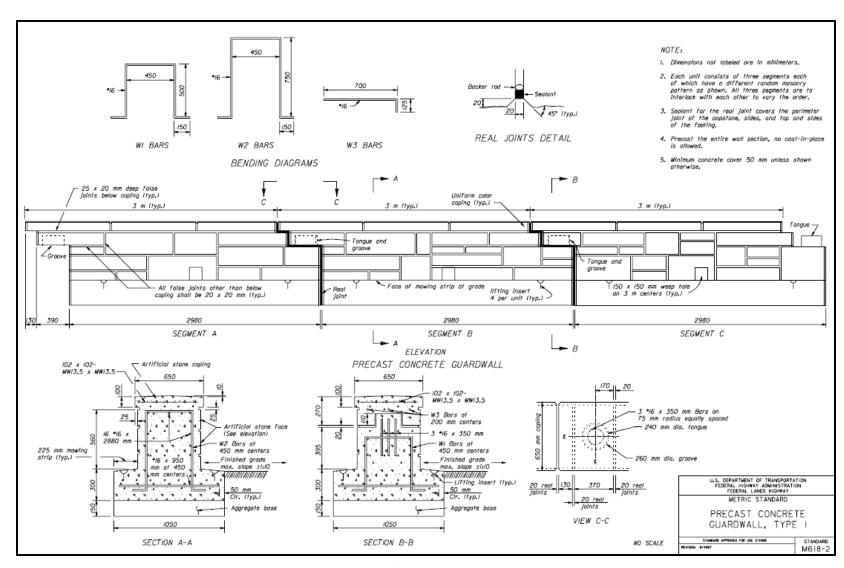


Figure 15. Layout and Cross Section of Pre-cast Concrete Guardwall

2.2 Guardrails

A limited amount of research has been conducted on post and beam guardrails. This section is a summary of those studies and results that are relevant to this project.

2.2.1 Type A Steel-Backed Timber Guardrail

In 2004, Bullard, Jr. et al. (3) conducted tests (TL-3) on a steel-backed wood post and wood rail. The assembled guardrail used for testing is shown in Figures 16 and 17, the layout is shown in Figure 18, and the test results are provided in Figure A-6.

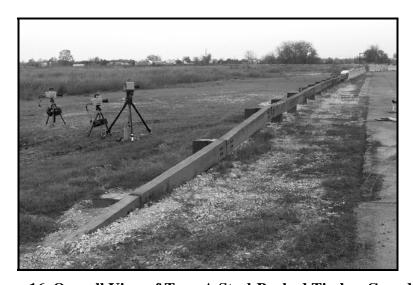


Figure 16. Overall View of Type A Steel-Backed Timber Guardrail

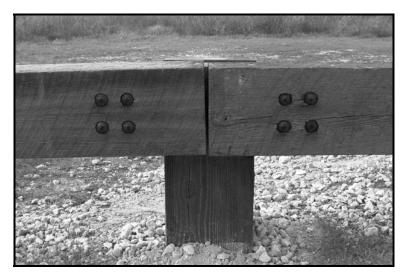


Figure 17. View of Type A Steel-Backed Timber Guardrail Post Splice

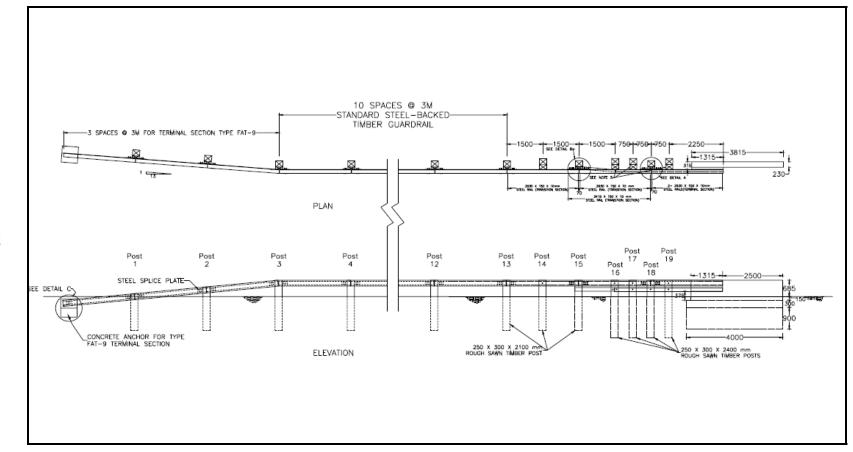


Figure 18. Layout of Type A Steel-Backed Timber Guardrail

2.2.2 Type B Steel-Backed Timber Guardrail

In 2004, Bullard, Jr. et al. (3) conducted tests (TL-2) on a steel-backed wood post and wood rail barrier. The assembled guardrail used for testing is shown in Figures 19 and 20, the layout is shown in Figure 21, and the test results are provided in Figure A-9.



Figure 19. Traffic Side View of Type B Steel-Backed Timber Guardrail



Figure 20. Field Side View of Type B Steel-Backed Timber Guardrail

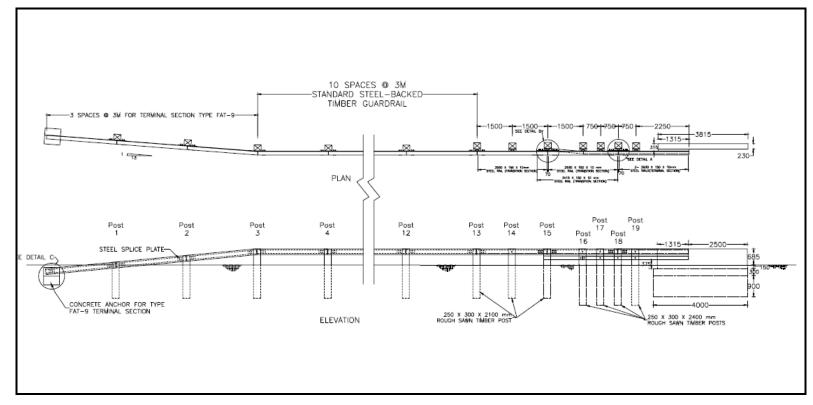


Figure 21. Layout of Type B Steel-Backed Timber Guardrail

2.2.3 Steel-Backed Timber Round Log Rail

In 2004, Bullard, Jr. et al. (3) conducted tests (TL-2) on a steel-backed timber beam-and-post railing system. The assembled guardrail used for testing is shown in Figures 22 and 23, the layout is shown in Figure 24, and the test results are provided in Figures A-7 and A-8.



Figure 22. Traffic Side View of Steel-Backed Timber Round Log Rail



Figure 23. Field Side View of Steel-Backed Timber Round Log Rail

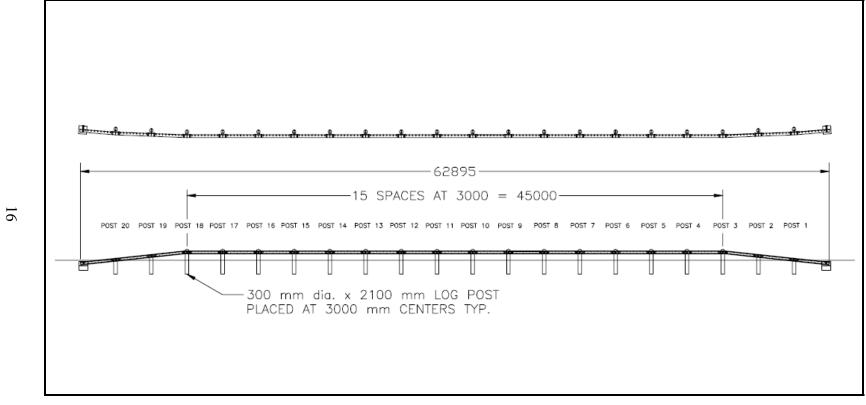


Figure 24. Layout of Steel-Backed Timber Round Log Rail

2.2.4 Glacier Removable Rail

In 2004, Bullard, Jr. et al. (3) conducted tests (TL-2) on a steel-backed timber beam and steel post railing system supported by a cantilevered steel beam embedded in the side of a cast-in-place concrete footing. The assembled guardrail used for testing is shown in Figures 25 and 26, the layout is shown in Figure 27, and the test results are provided in Figures A-10 and A-11.

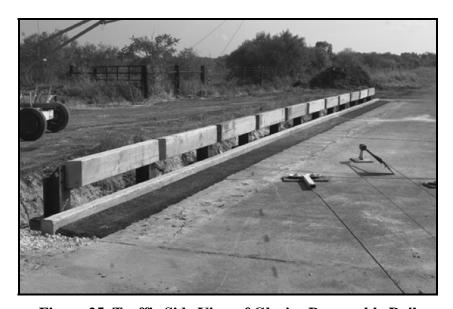


Figure 25. Traffic Side View of Glacier Removable Rail



Figure 26. Field Side View of Glacier Removable Rail

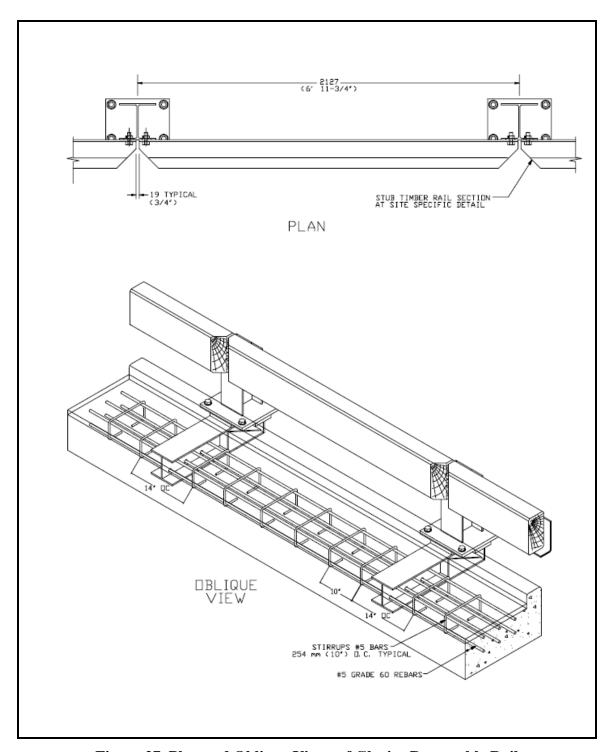


Figure 27. Plan and Oblique Views of Glacier Removable Rail

2.2.5 Glacier Round Log Removable Rail

In 2004, Bullard, Jr. et al. (3) conducted tests (TL-1) on a steel-backed timber beam and steel post railing system supported by a cast-in-place concrete footing. The assembled guardrail used for testing is shown in Figures 28 and 29, the layout is shown in Figure 30, and the test results are provided in Figures A-12 and A-13.



Figure 28. Traffic Side View of Glacier Round Log Removable Rail



Figure 29. Field Side View of Glacier Round Log Removable Rail

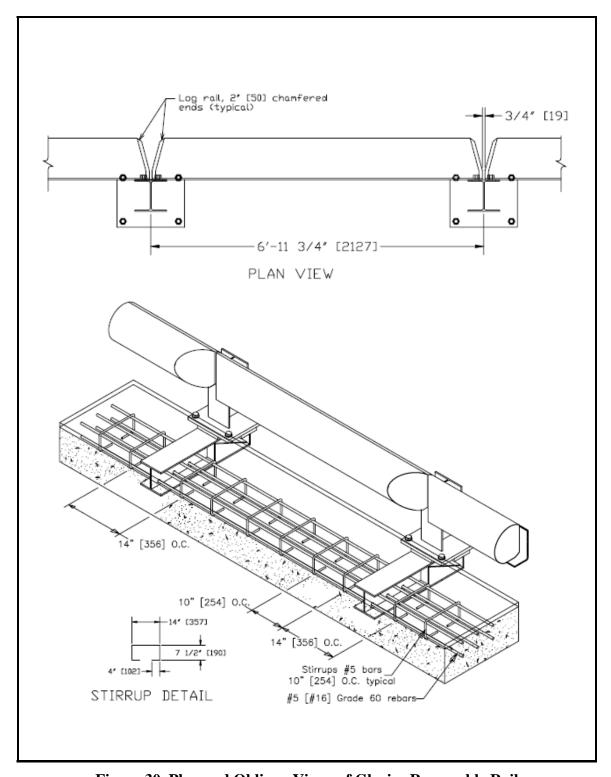


Figure 30. Plan and Oblique Views of Glacier Removable Rail

2.2.6 Deception Pass State Park Log Rail

In 2004, Jepperson et al. (<u>6</u>) conducted tests (TL-2) on a stone masonry bollard and steel-backed log rail system. The assembled guardrail used for testing is shown in Figures 31 and 32, the layout is shown in Figure 33, and the test results are provided in Figures A-14 and A-15.



Figure 31. Deception Pass State Park Log Rail Prior to Testing

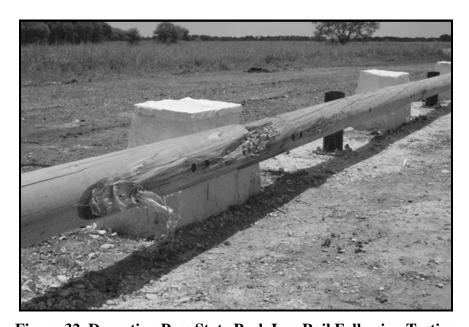


Figure 32. Deception Pass State Park Log Rail Following Testing

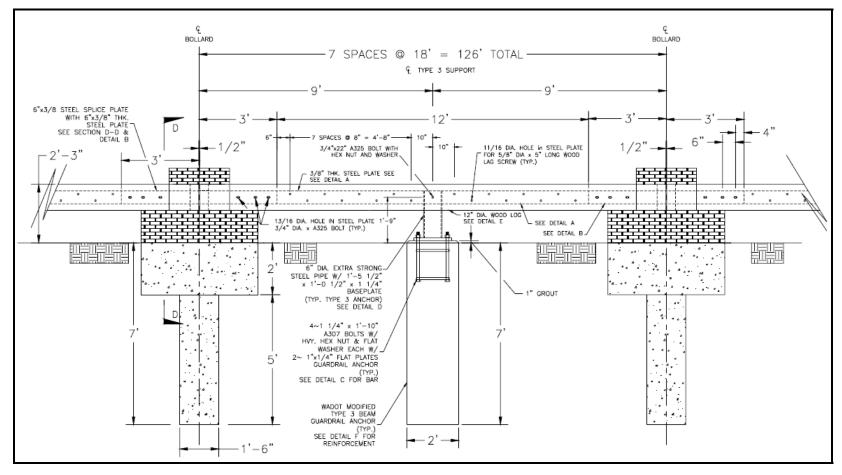


Figure 33. Layout of Deception Pass State Park Log Rail

2.2.7 Ironwood Guardrail

In 1999, Hubbell (7) conducted tests (TL-3) on a composite wood and steel rail system. The assembled guardrail in use on a federal highway is shown in Figures 34, the layout is shown in Figure 35, and the test results are provided in Figures A-16 and A-17.

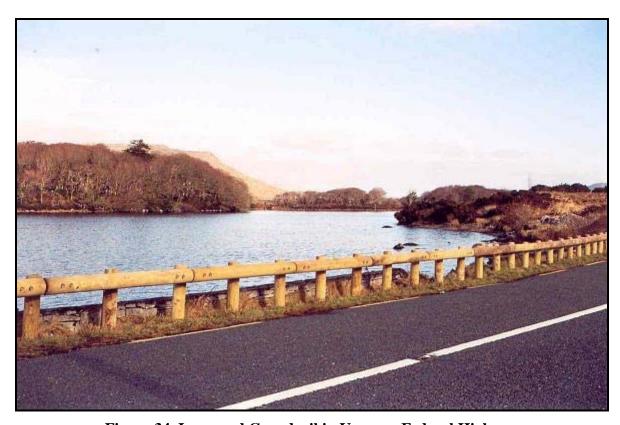


Figure 34. Ironwood Guardrail in Use on a Federal Highway

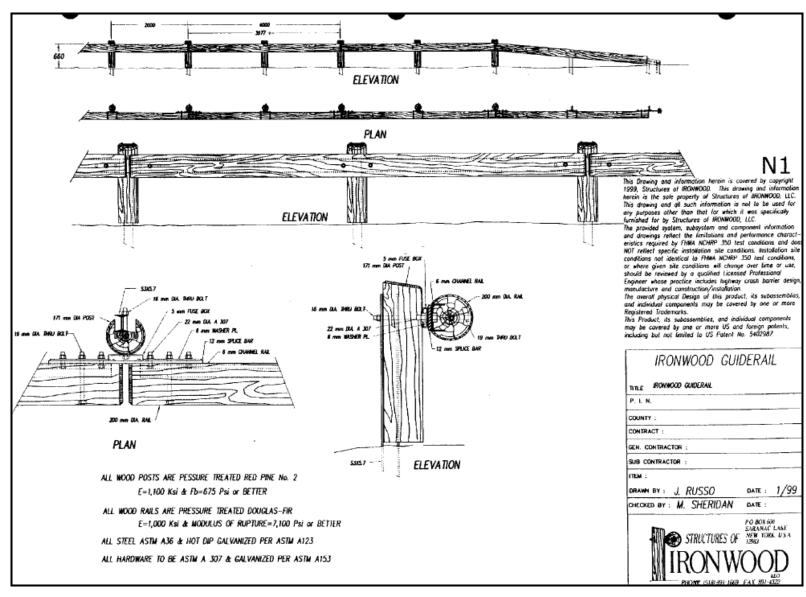


Figure 35. Layout and Cross Section of Ironwood Guardrail

2.3 Bridge Rails

A large amount of research has been conducted on bridge rails, such as open concrete and tubular steel bridge rails. Due to extensive amount of existing research, only some examples of these types of rails have been presented in this literature search. Additional information can be provided concerning such rails if needed.

2.3.1 George Washington Memorial Parkway (GWMP) Bridge Rail

In 2004, Bullard, Jr. et al. (3) conducted tests (TL-3) on a steel tri-rail mounted on curb bridge rail, which is a bam-and-post system consisting of three steel pipe rail elements welded to flat steel plate posts. The assembled bridge rail used for testing is shown in Figure 36, the layout is shown in Figure 37, and the test results are provided in Figure A-18.

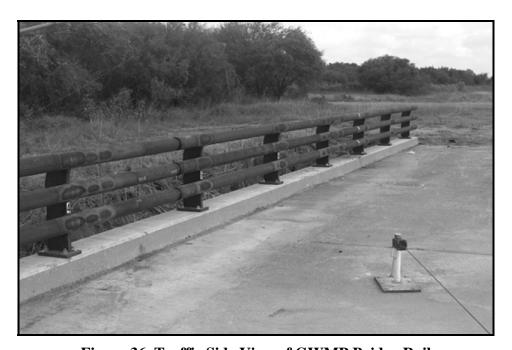


Figure 36. Traffic Side View of GWMP Bridge Rail

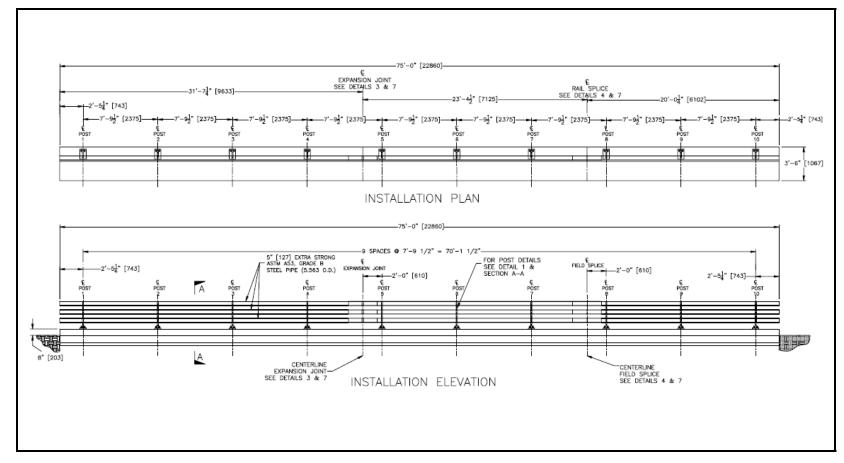


Figure 37. Layout of George Washington Memorial Parkway Bridge Rail

2.3.2 Open Concrete Rail - Natchez Trace Bridge Rail

In 2004, Bullard, Jr. et al. (3) conducted tests (TL-3) on a concrete beam-and-post bridge rail mounted on top of a concrete curb. The assembled bridge rail used for testing is shown in Figures 38 and 39, the layout is shown in Figure 40, and the test results are provided in Figures A-19 and A-20.



Figure 38. Traffic Side View of Natchez Trace Bridge Rail



Figure 39. Field Side View of Natchez Trace Bridge Rail

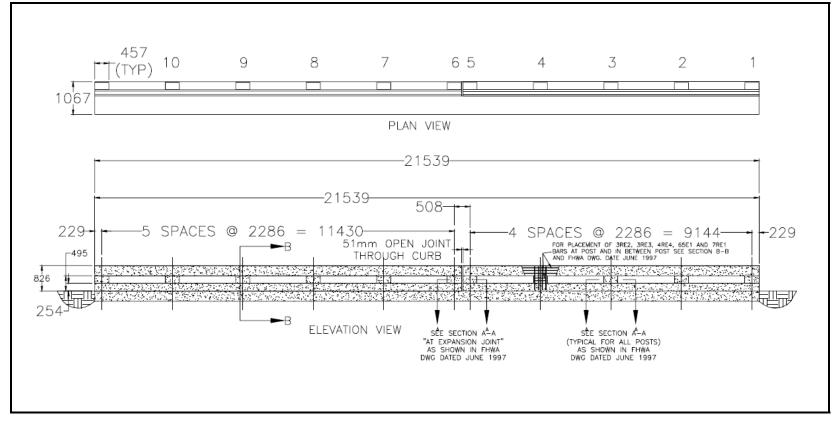


Figure 40. Layout of Natchez Trace Bridge Rail

2.3.3 Tubular Steel-Backed Timber Bridge Rail

In 2004, Bullard, Jr. et al. (3) conducted tests (TL-3) on a tubular steel-backed timber beam-and-post railing system. The assembled bridge rail used for testing is shown in Figures 41 and 42, the layout is shown in Figure 43, and the test results are provided in Figure A-21.



Figure 41. Traffic Side View of Tubular Steel-Backed Timber Bridge Rail



Figure 42. Field Side View of Tubular Steel-Backed Timber Bridge Rail

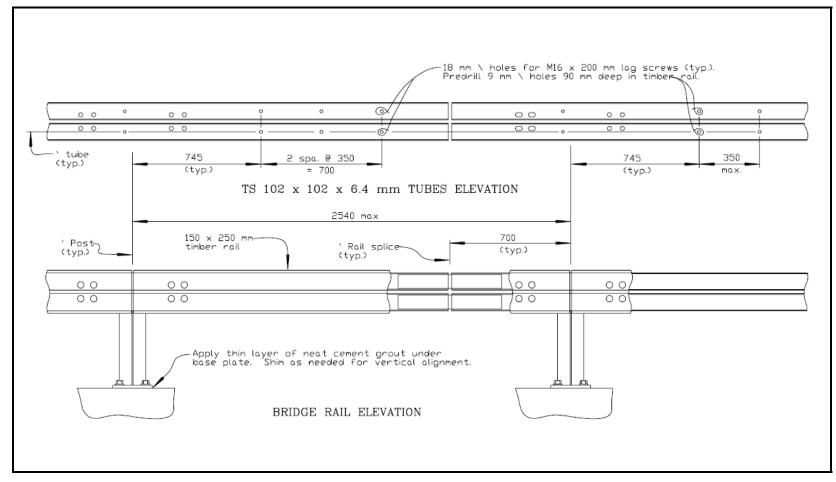


Figure 43. Layout of Tubular Steel-Backed Timber Bridge Rail

2.3.4 NDOR Low-Profile Bridge Rail

In 2002, Polivka et al. (<u>15</u>) conducted tests (TL-2) on a reinforced concrete bridge railing system. The assembled bridge rail used for testing is shown in Figures 44 and 45, the layout is shown in Figure 46, and the test results are provided in Figures A-22.



Figure 44. NDOR Low-Profile Bridge Rail



Figure 45. NDOR Low-Profile Bridge Rail

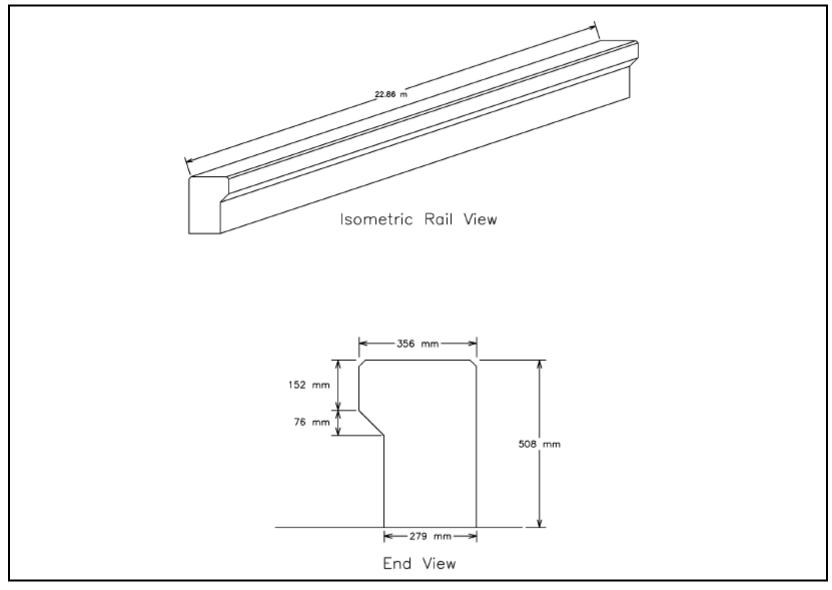


Figure 46. Layout of NDOR Low-Profile Bridge Rail

2.3.5 NDOR Aesthetic Open Concrete Bridge Rail

In 2005, Polivka et al. (8) conducted tests (TL-5) on an aesthetic open concrete bridge railing system. The assembled bridge rail used for testing is shown in Figures 47 and 48, the layout is shown in Figure 49, and the test results are provided in Figure A-23.



Figure 47. NDOR Aesthetic Open Concrete Bridge Rail



Figure 48. NDOR Aesthetic Open Concrete Bridge Rail

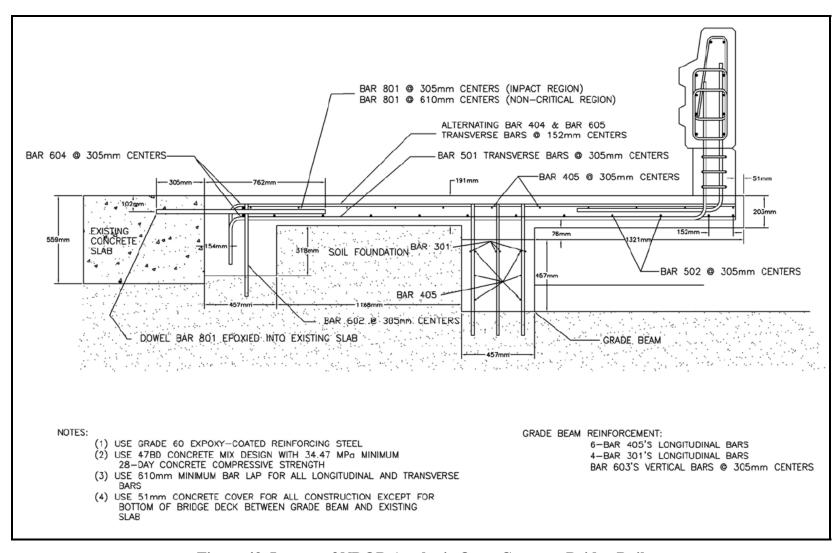


Figure 49. Layout of NDOR Aesthetic Open Concrete Bridge Rail

2.3.6 TxDOT F411 Bridge Rail

In 2002, Bullard, Jr. et al. (9) conducted tests (TL-3) on an aesthetic concrete bridge railing system. The assembled bridge rail used for testing is shown in Figures 50 and 51, the layout is shown in Figure 52, and the test results are provided in Figures A-24 and A-25.

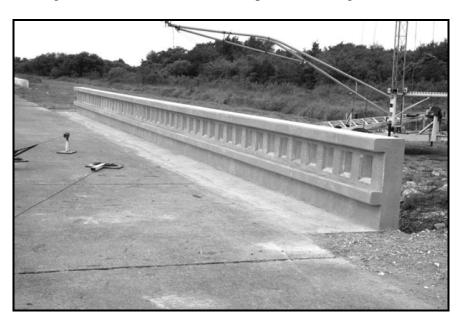


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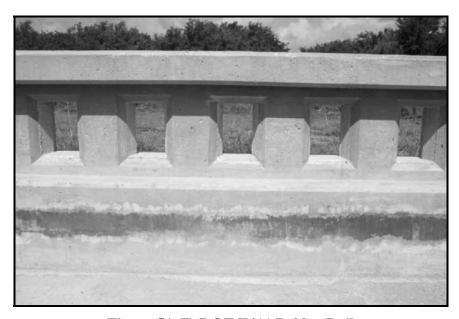


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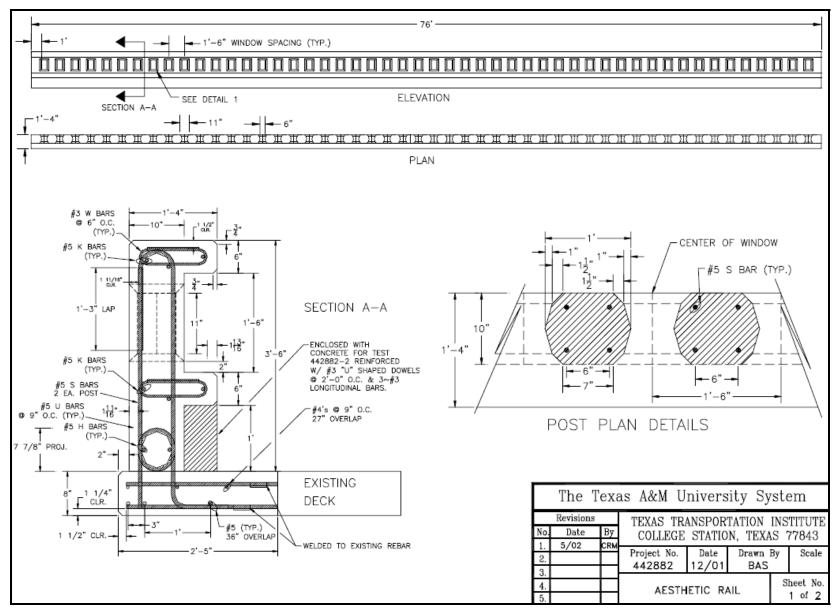


Figure 52. Layout of TxDOT F411 Bridge Rail

2.3.7 Tubular Steel Bridge Rail - TxDOT T77 Bridge Rail

In 2002, Bullard, Jr. et al. (9) conducted tests (TL-3) on an aesthetic tubular steel bridge railing system. The assembled bridge rail used for testing is shown in Figures 53 and 54, the layout is shown in Figure 55, and the test results are provided in Figures A-26 and A-27.



Figure 53. TxDOT T77 Bridge Rail



Figure 54. TxDOT T77 Bridge Rail

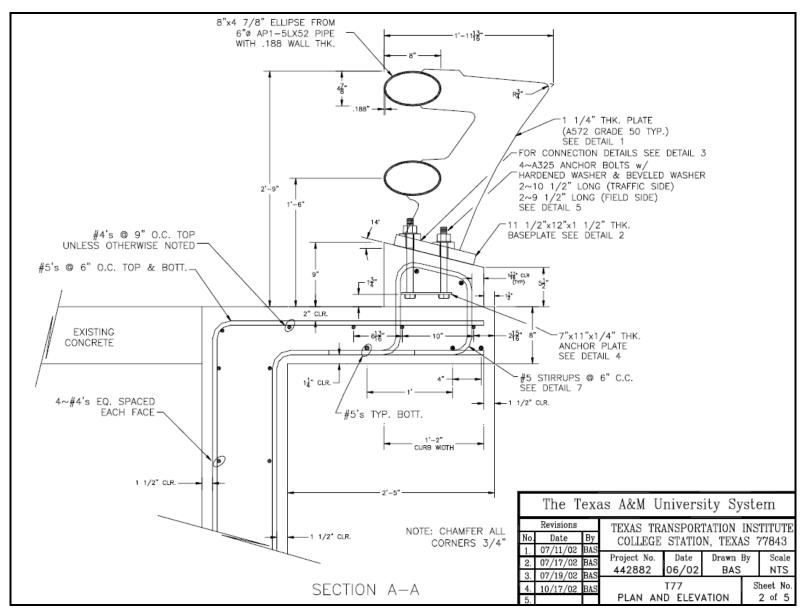


Figure 55. Layout of TxDOT T77 Bridge Rail

2.3.8 TxDOT T411 Bridge Rail

In 1998, Buth et al. (<u>10</u>) conducted tests (TL-3) on an aesthetic concrete bridge railing system. The assembled bridge rail used for testing is shown in Figures 56 and 57, the layout is shown in Figure 58, and the test results are provided in Figures A-28.

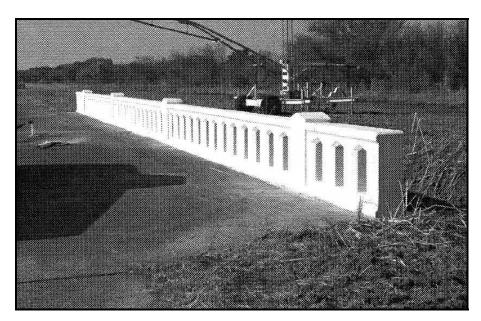


Figure 56. TxDOT T411 Bridge Rail

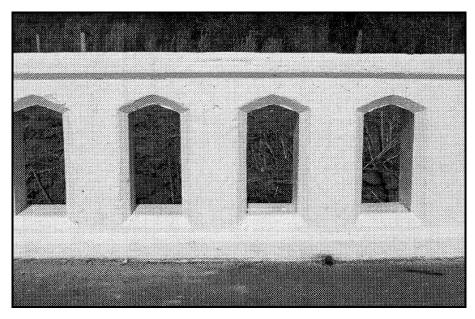


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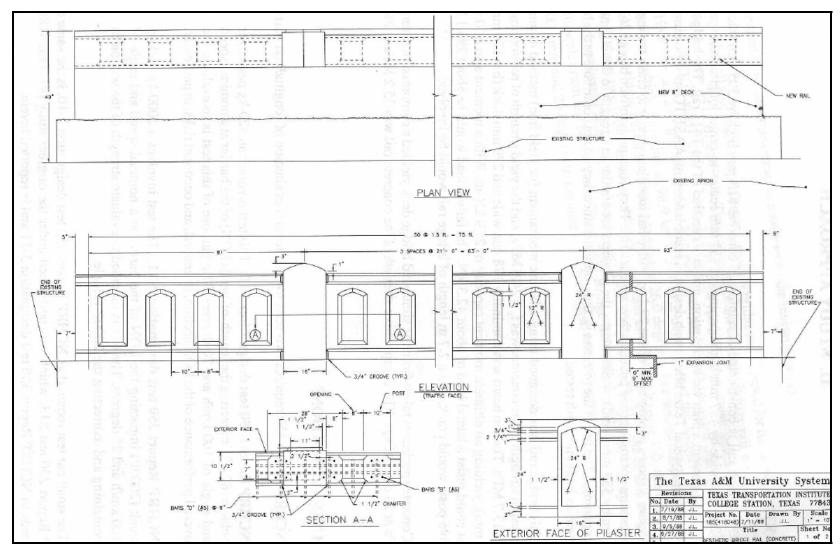


Figure 58. Layout and Cross Section of TxDOT T411 Bridge Rail

2.3.9 Forest Service Glulam Bridge Rail

In 1990, Hancock et al. (<u>11</u>) conducted tests (TL-2) on a glulam timber bridge railing system. The assembled bridge rail used for testing is shown in Figures 59 and 60, the layout is shown in Figure 61, and the test results are provided in Figures A-29 and A-30.

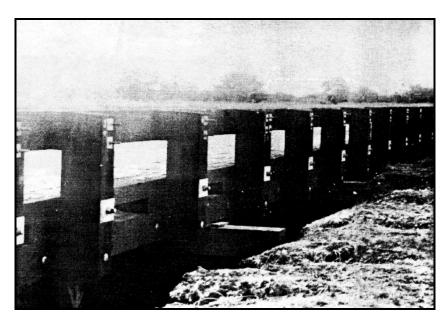


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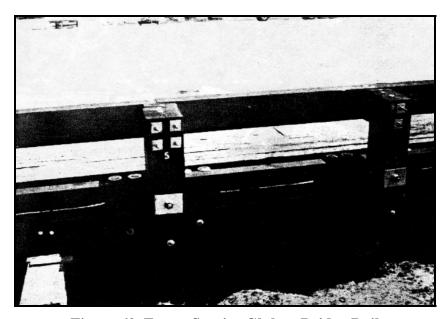


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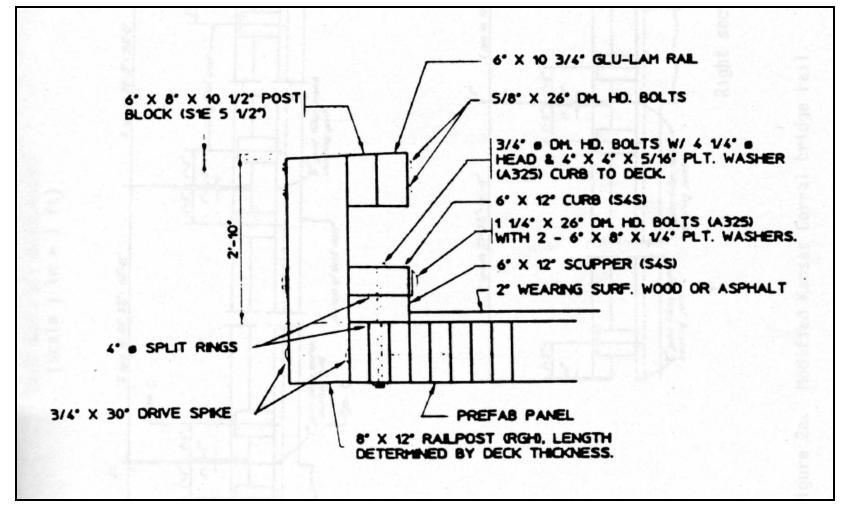


Figure 61. Cross Section of Forest Service Glulam Bridge Rail

2.3.10 Curb-Type Glulam Bridge Rail

In 1996, Faller et al. (12) conducted tests (TL-1) on a timber curb-type bridge railing system. The assembled bridge rail used for testing is shown in Figures 62 and 63, the layout is shown in Figure 64, and the test results are provided in Figures A-31.

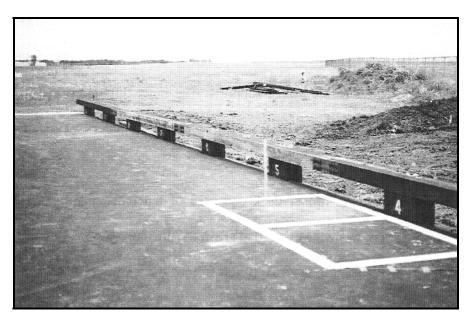


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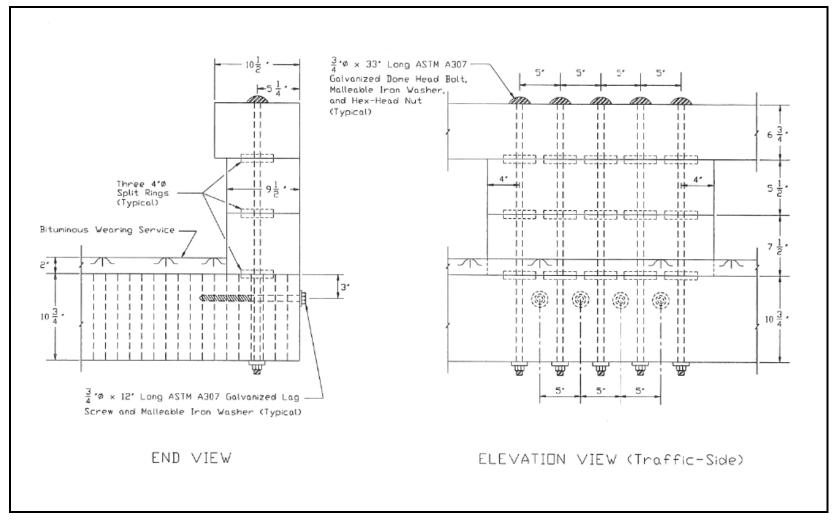


Figure 64. Cross Section of Curb-Type Glulam Bridge Rail

2.3.11 FPL Glulam Bridge Rail

In 2002 and 2003, Polivka et al. (13,14) conducted tests (TL-2 and TL-4) on a deck mounted glue-laminated timber bridge railing system. The assembled bridge rail used for testing is shown in Figures 65 and 66, the layout is shown in Figure 67, and the test results are provided in Figures A-32 through A-35.



Figure 65. FPL Glulam Bridge Rail

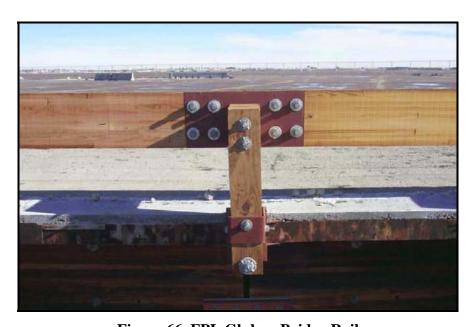


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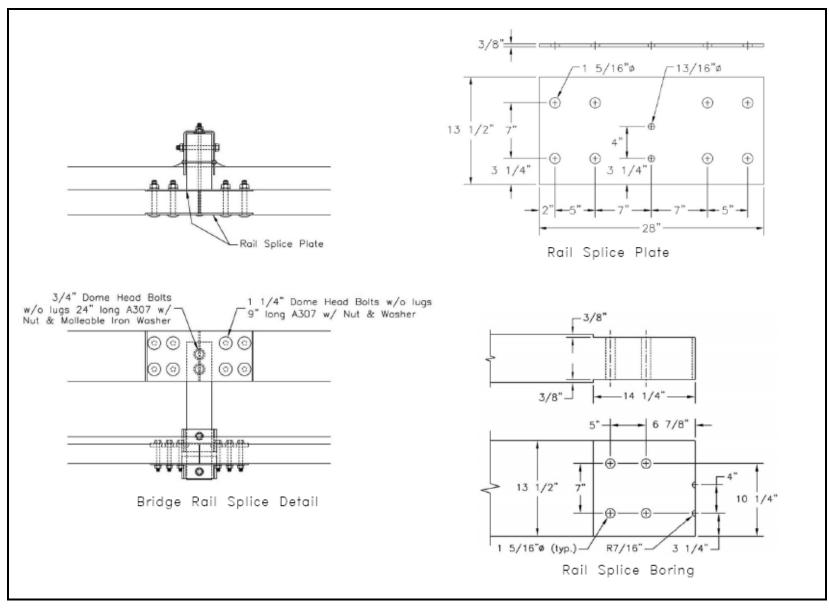


Figure 67. Splice Details of FPL Glulam Bridge Rail

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4 APPENDICES

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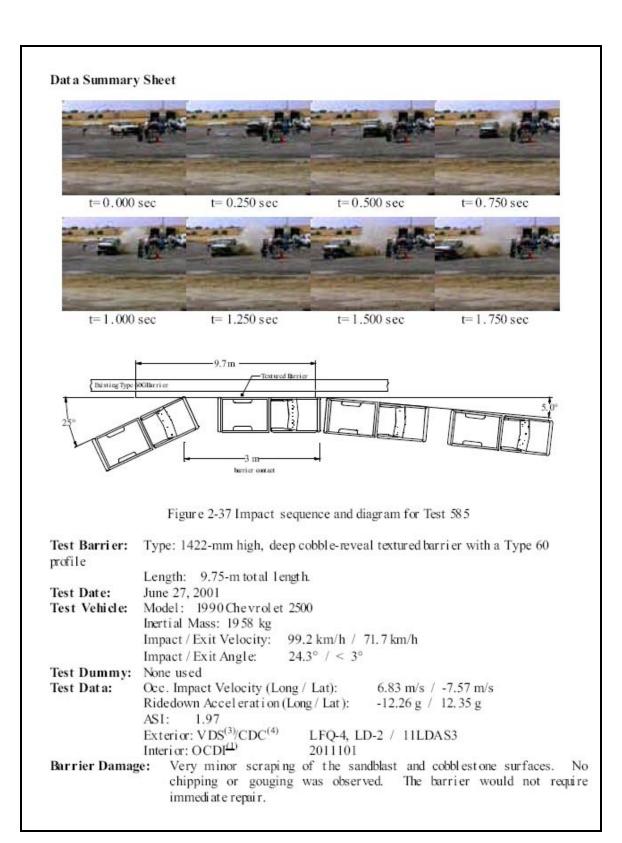


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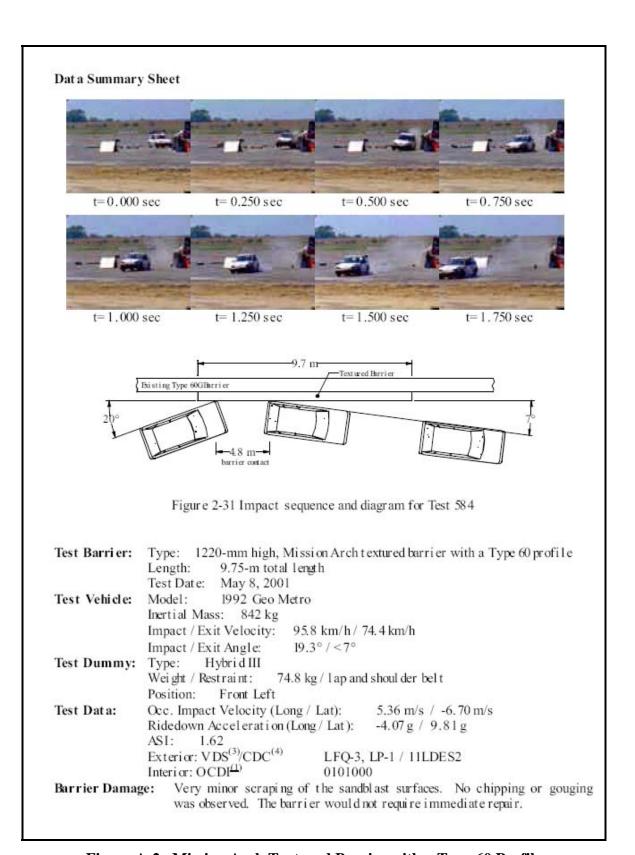


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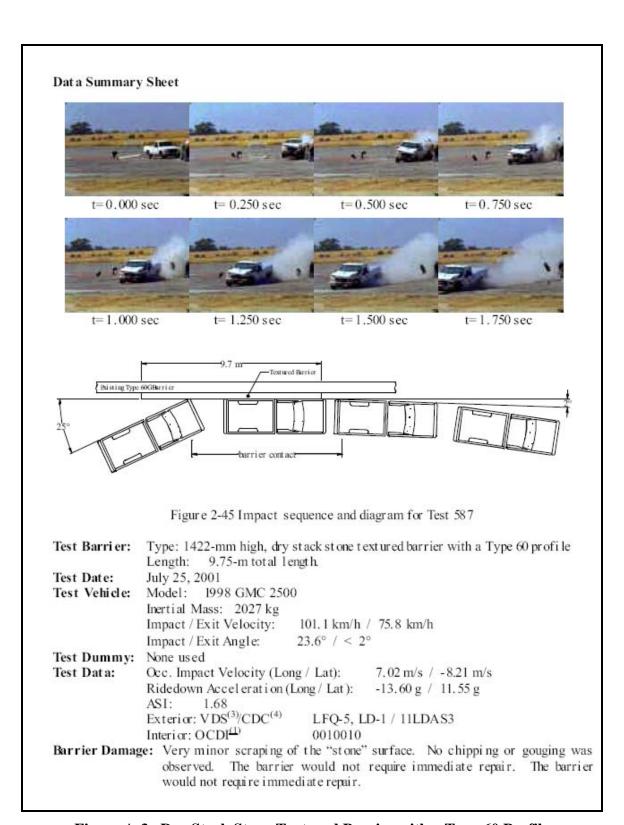


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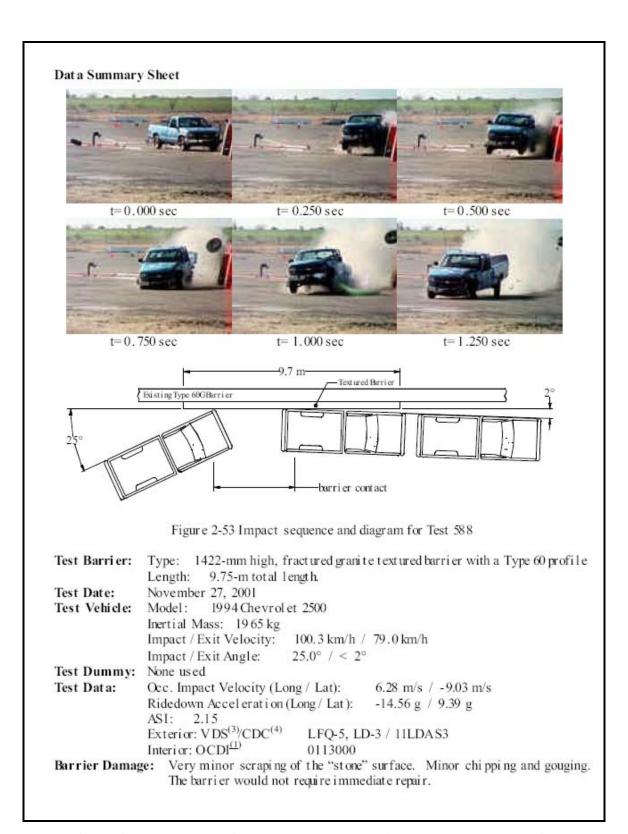


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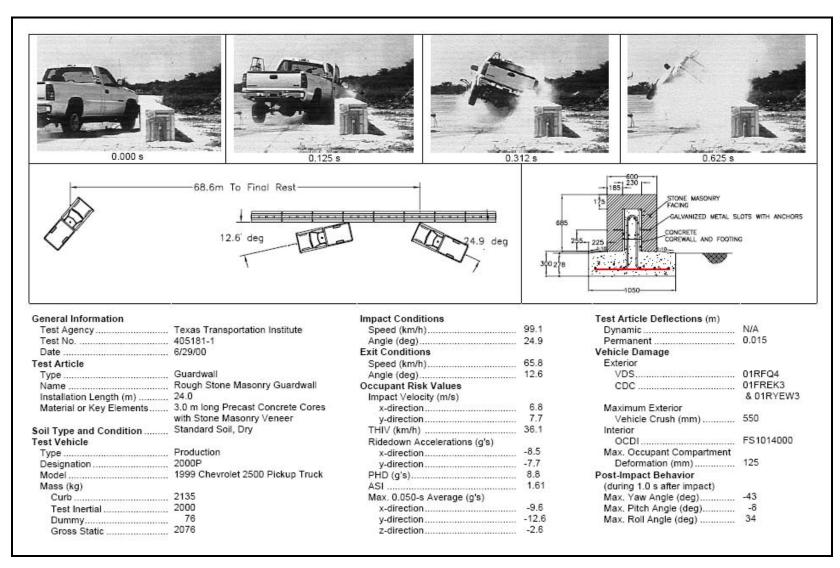


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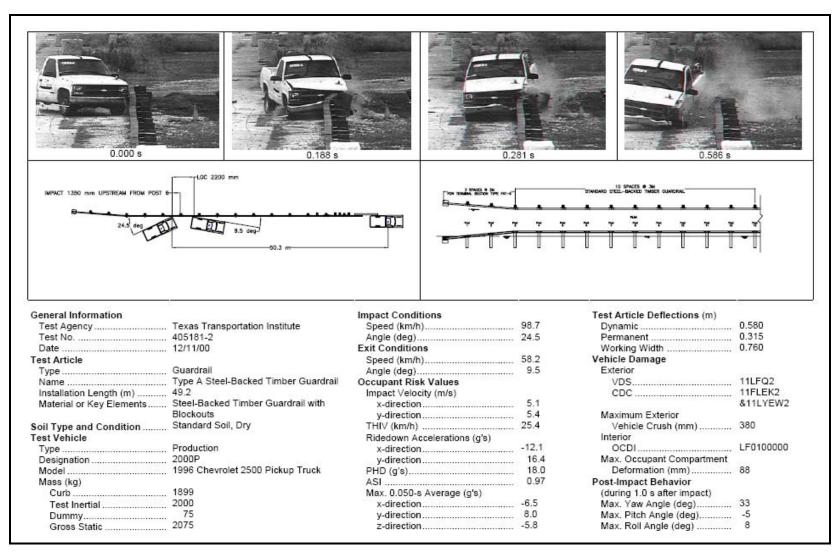


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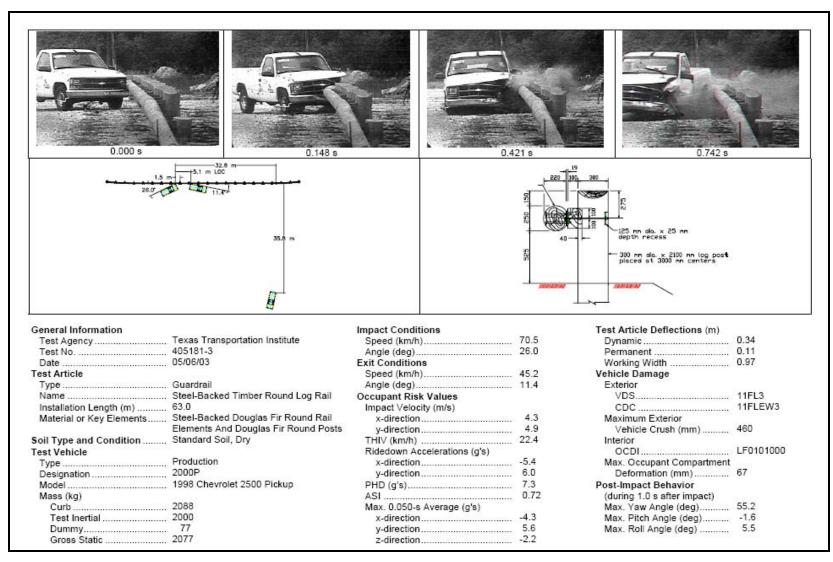


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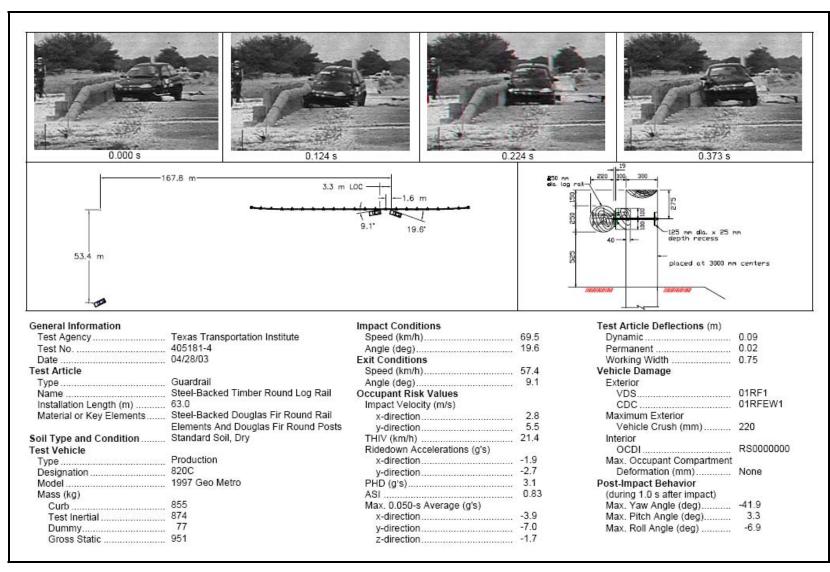


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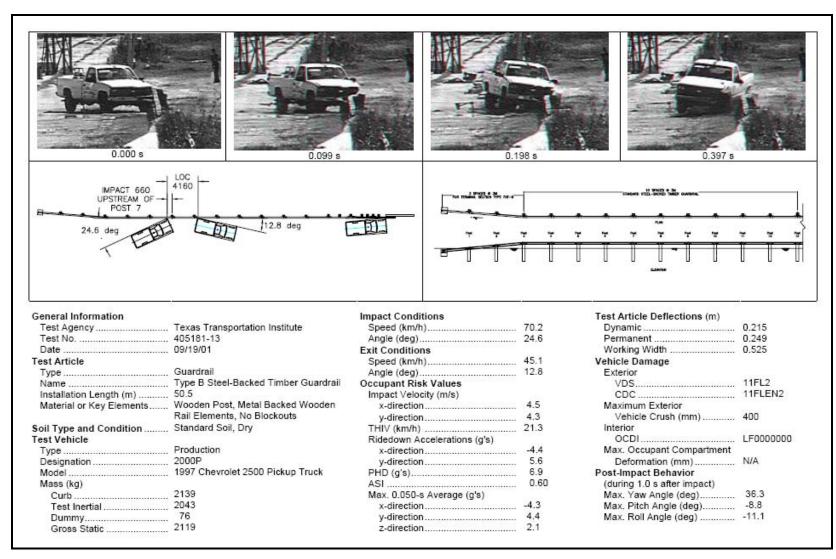


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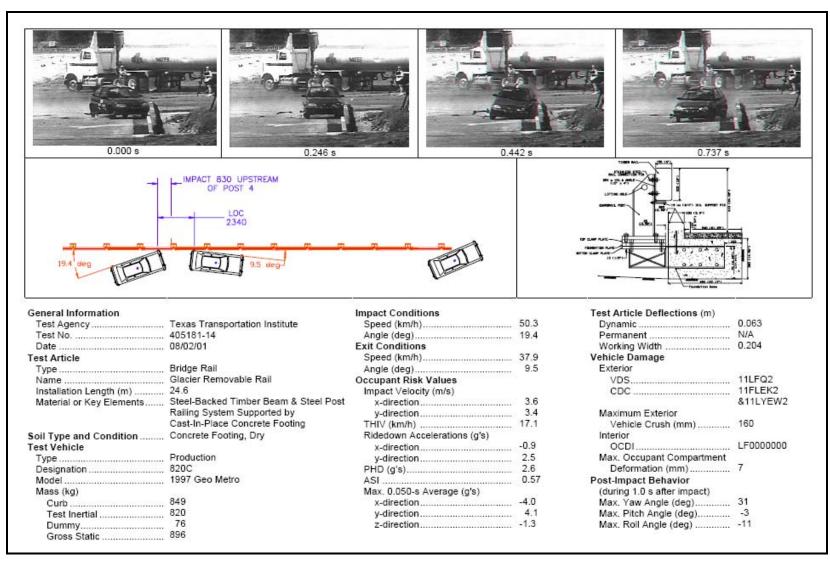


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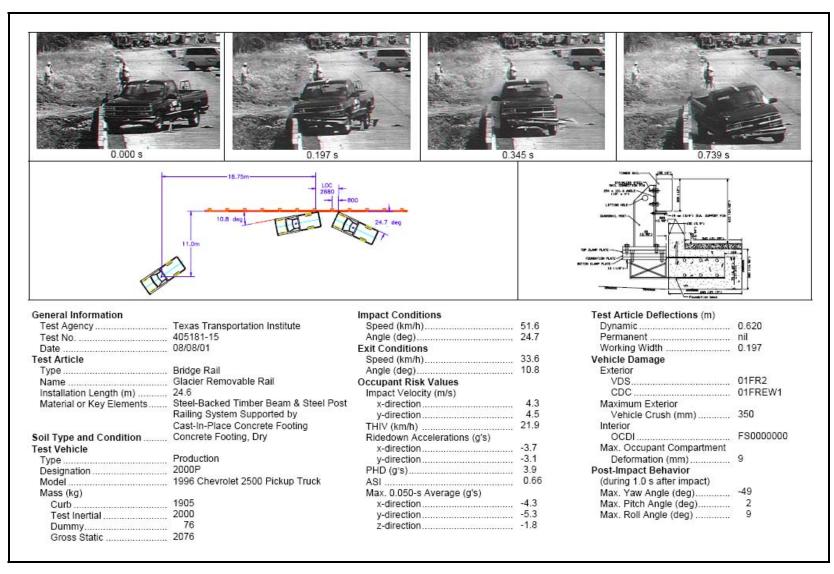


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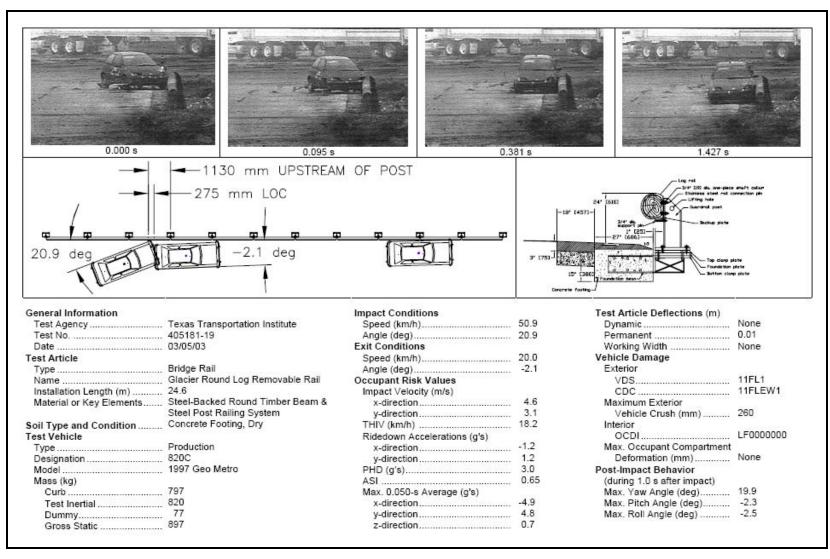


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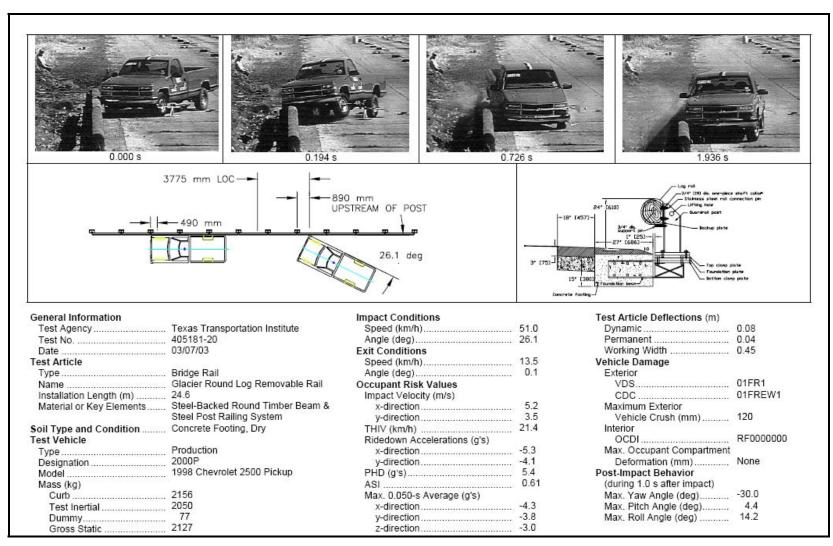


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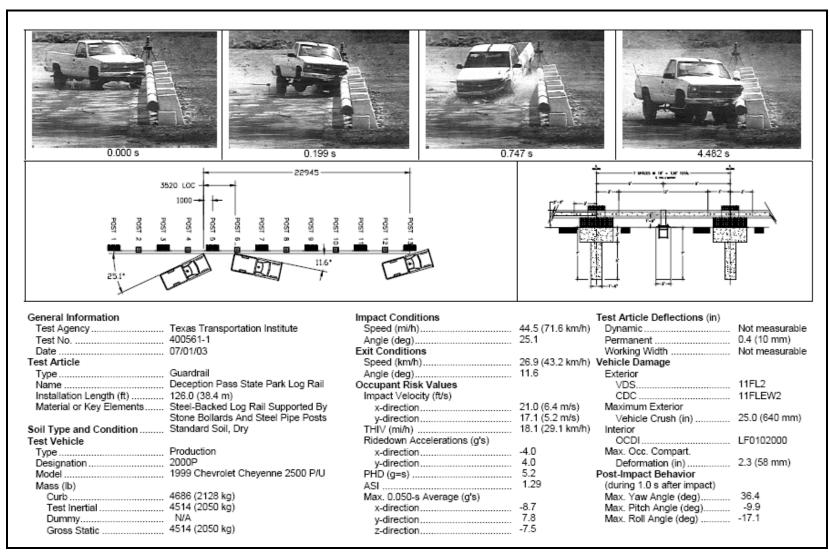


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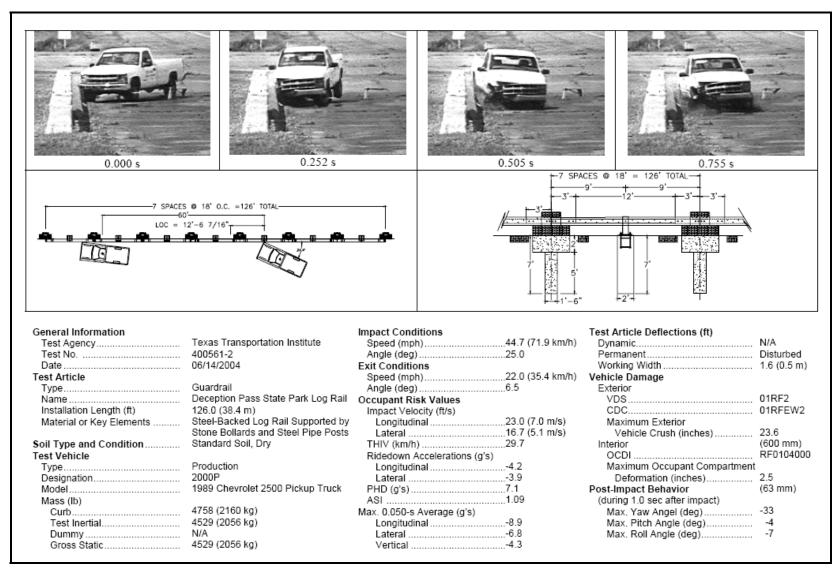


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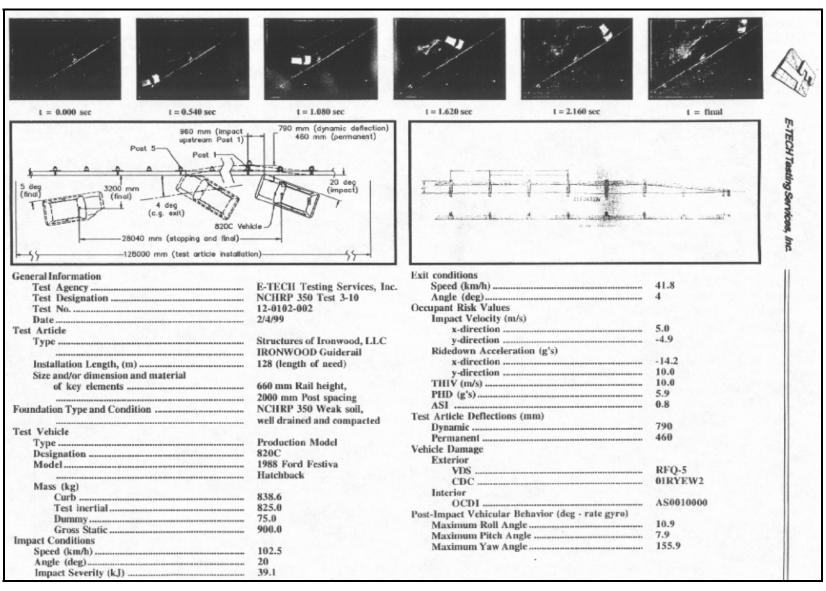


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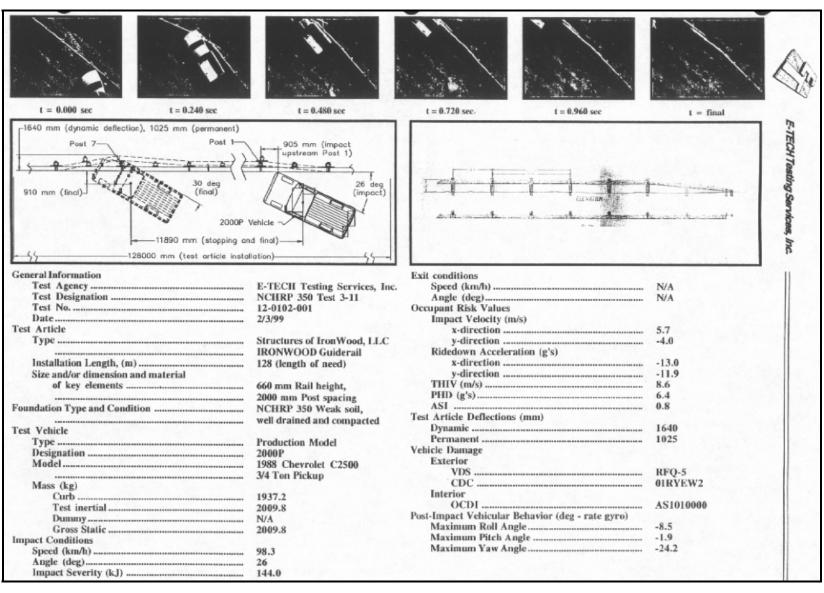


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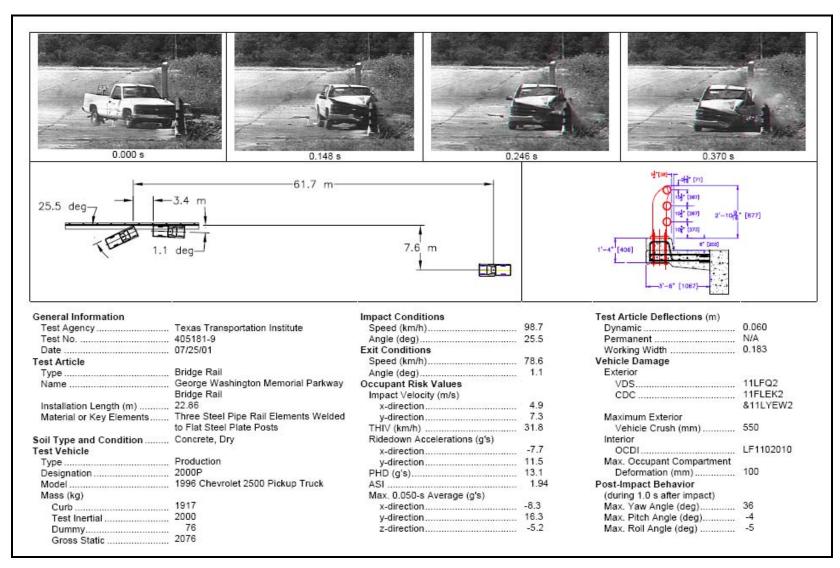


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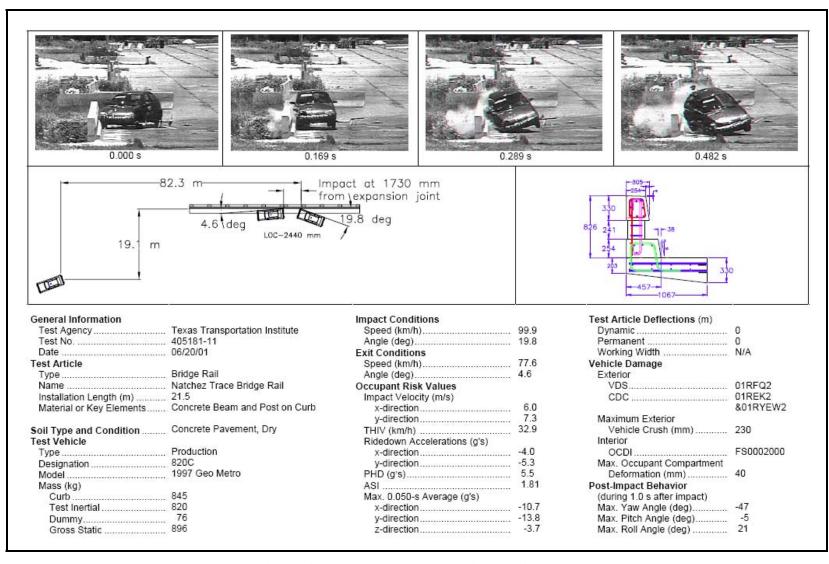


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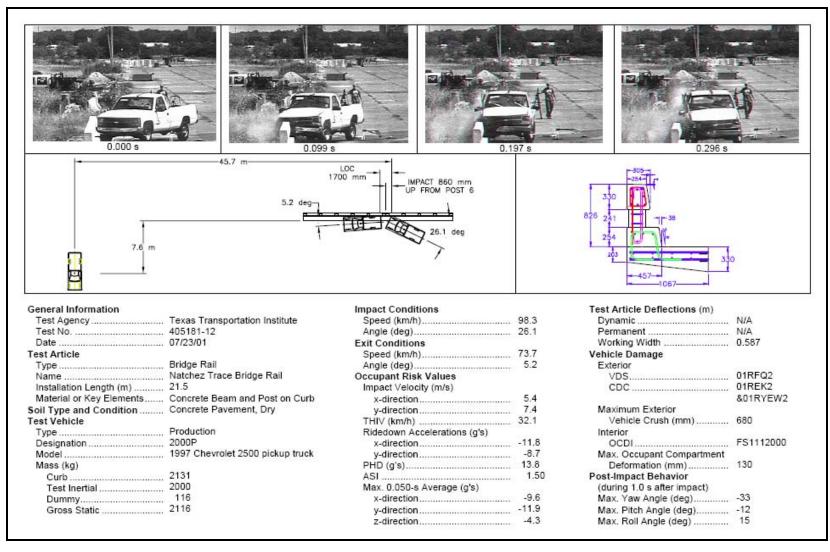


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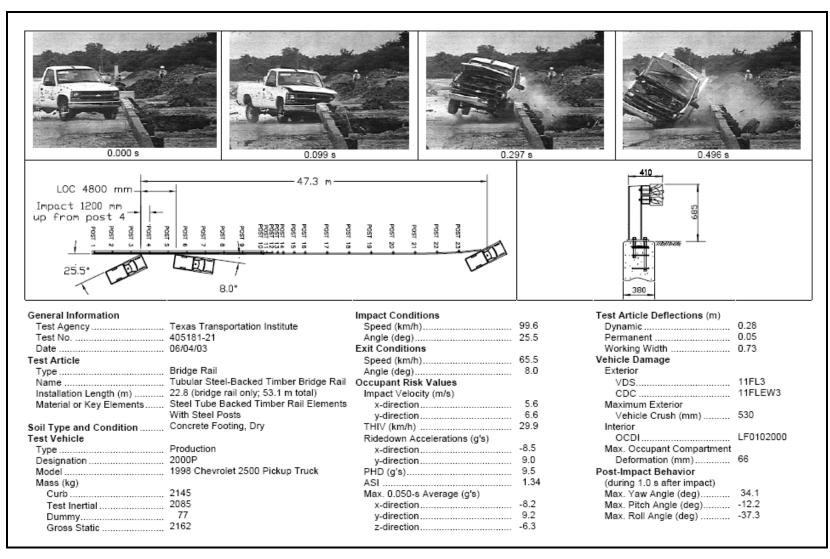


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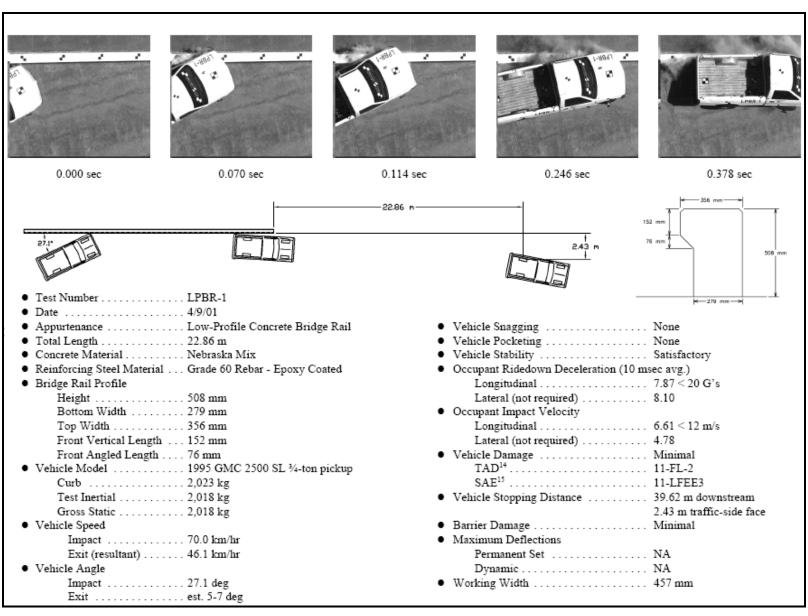


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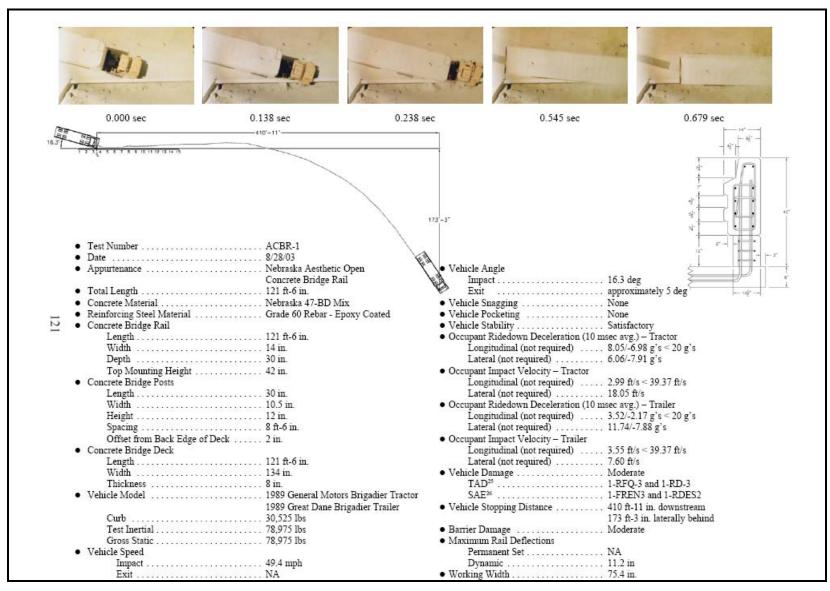


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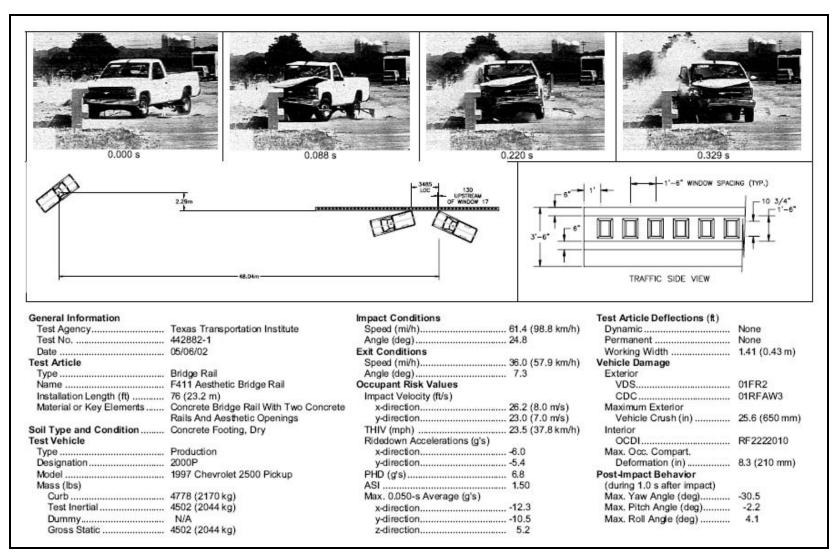


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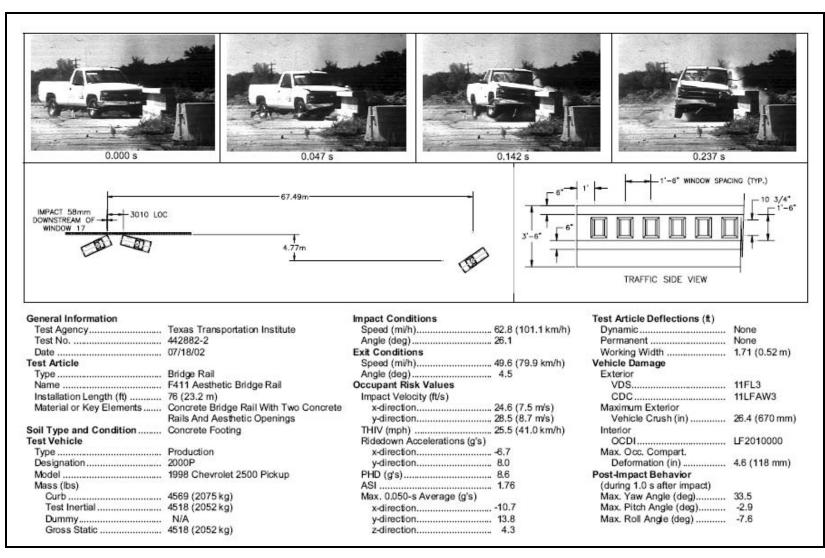


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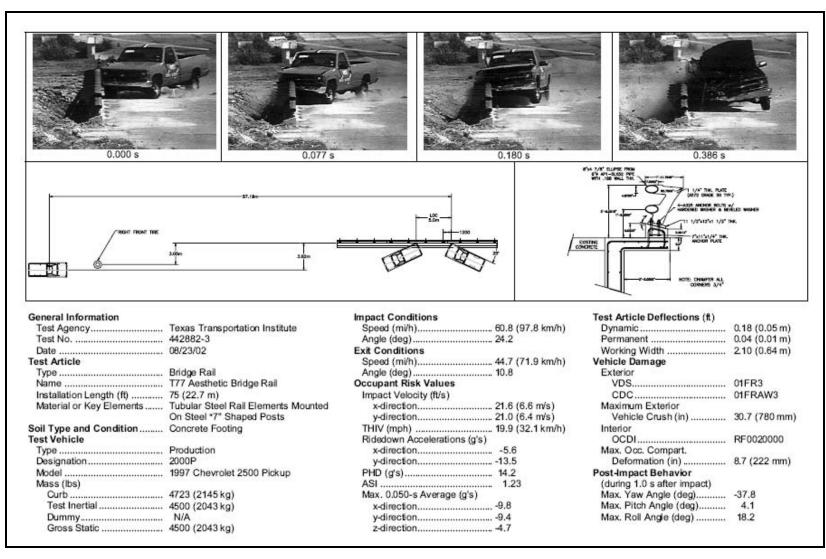


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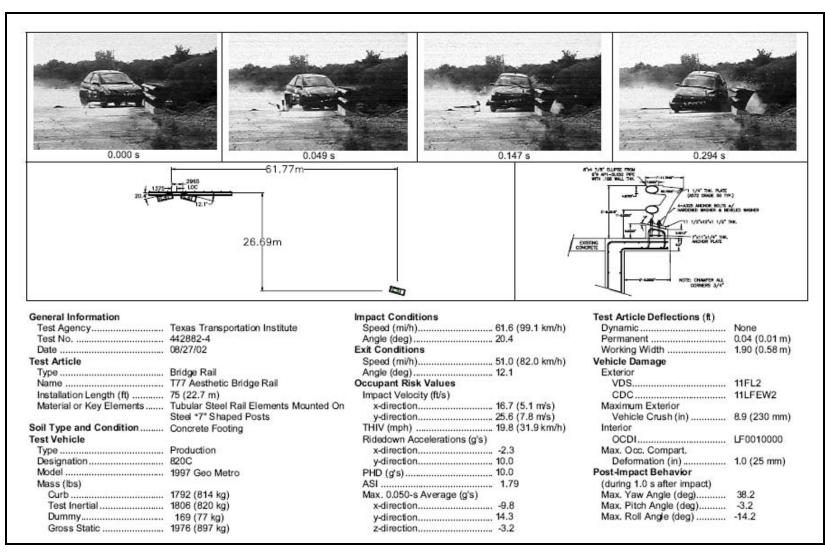


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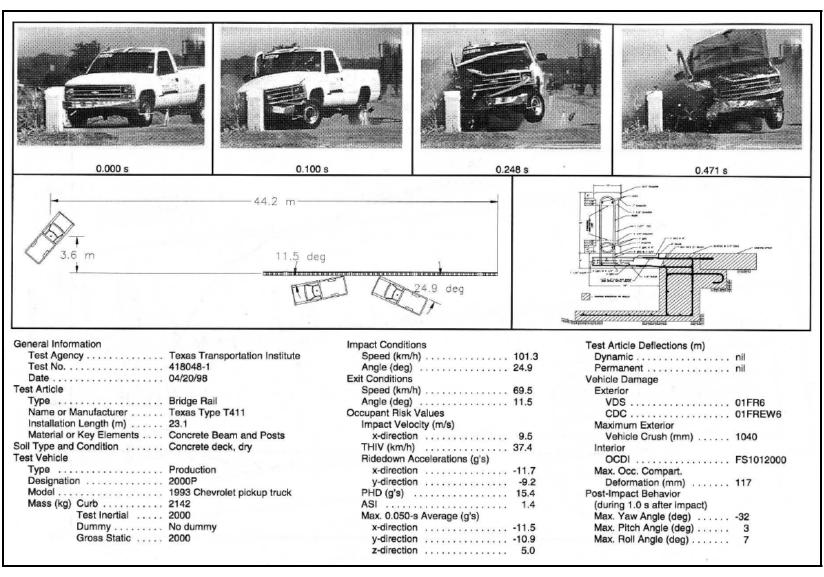


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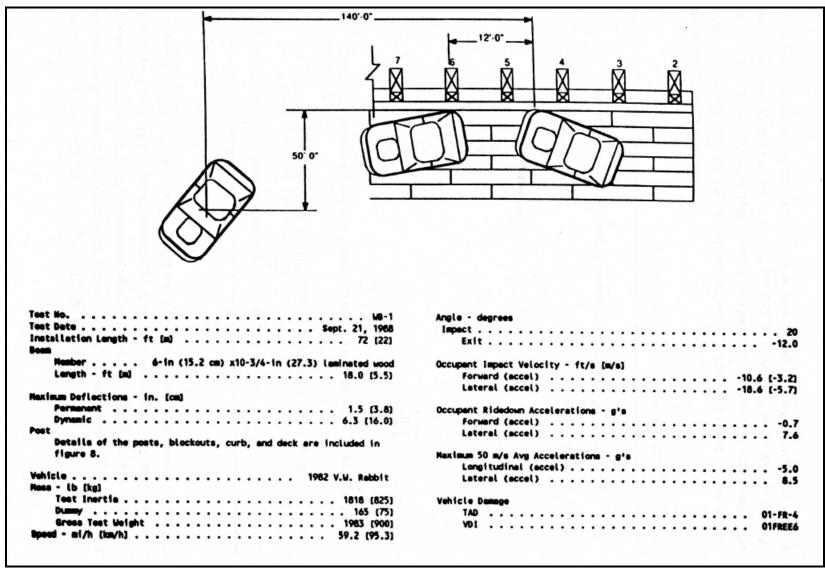


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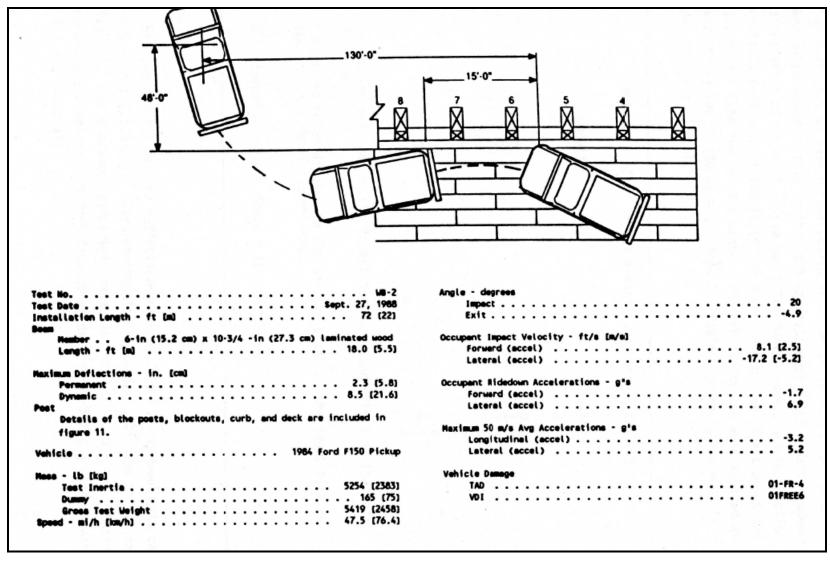


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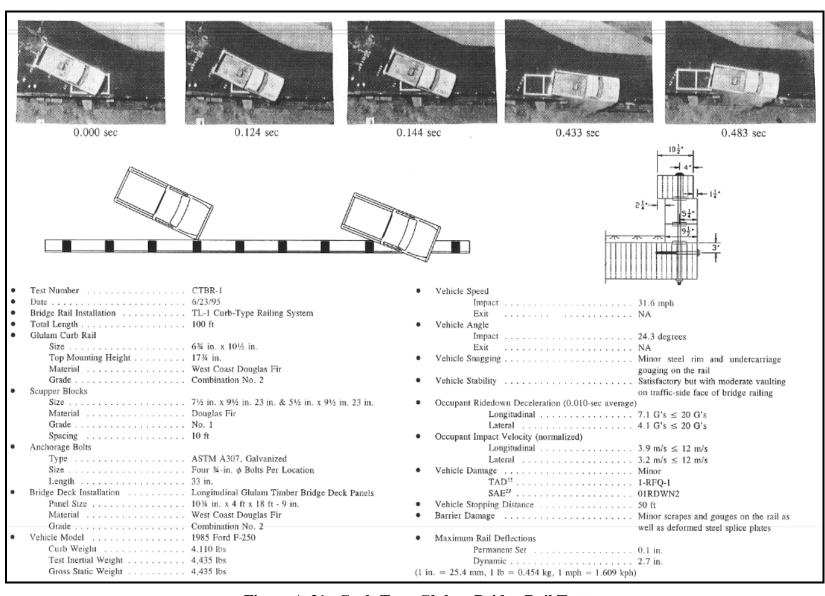


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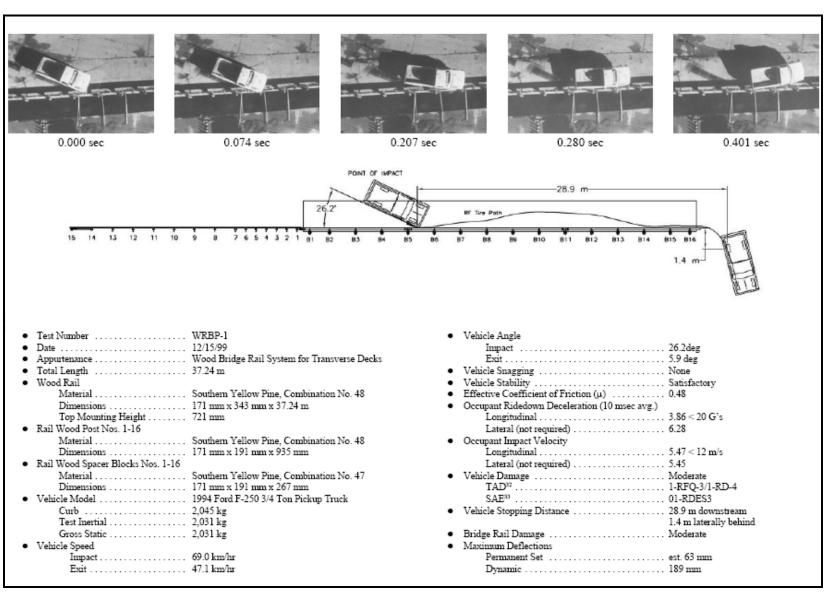


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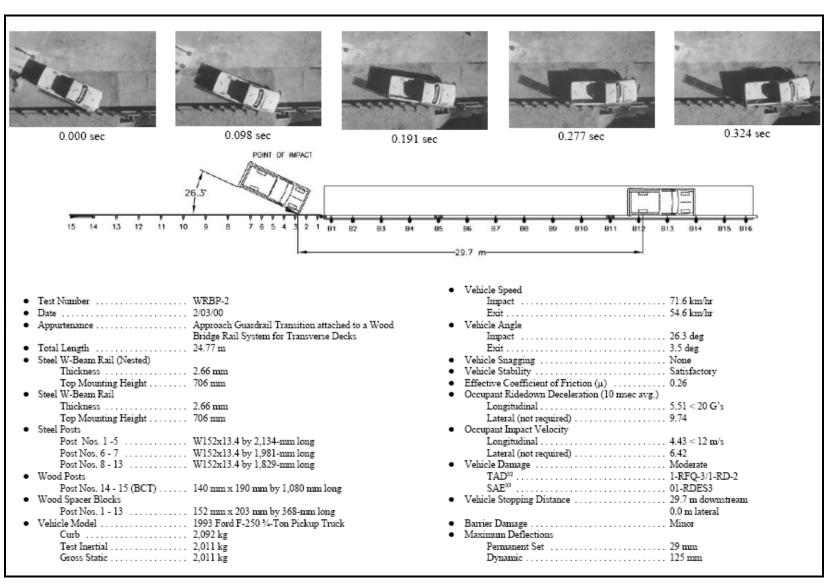


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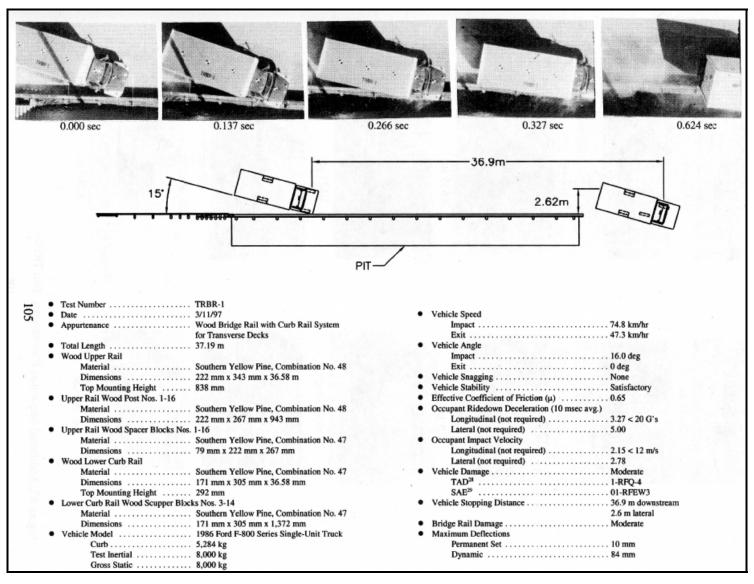


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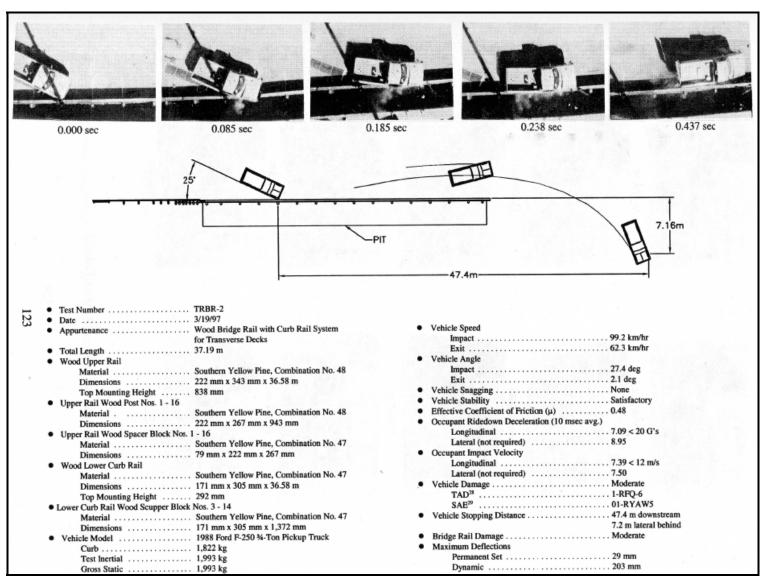


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